



Supporting Your Science Fair Students

2023-2024 DMRSEF

Season Kickoff



From Start to Science Fair: How do you get there?

- DMRSEF Online Resources
 - How to Science Fair videos
 - Paperwork tutorial videos
 - Project Ideas
 - Online learning resources
- Competition Ready Series Workshops
 - Science Fair Q&A
 - Skills-based workshops
- Student Advisory Council
 - Peer-to-peer support for making it through the fair (and having fun!)





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Check out our website for detailed step-by-step instructions and all access to all DMRSEF resources

clas.ucdenver.edu/denversciencefair/how-science-fair

... or reach out to denversciencefair@ucdenver.edu

Step One: Planning and Preparing

- · Check out our video on Getting Started.
- Decide if you will be working by yourself or as a team (5 people max). Begin to identify your teachers, mentors, parents, and other adults that will be involved.
- Begin narrowing down your interests for a science fair project and start learning more about your topic and field of study.
- o There are resources on the Students Page for selecting a topic.
- Check out the 2023 DMRSEF Showcase or the ISEF Project
 Database for inspiration.
- Familiarize yourself with the ISEF Rule Book before deciding on a project.
- Talk to subject matter experts. Reach out to the DMRSEF team if you need help locating an expert or mentor.
- Apply for a science fair mini-grant to fund your science on the Student Grants tab of our website.

Step Two: Getting Involved

- Join our Monthly Newsletter for updates from the DMRSEF team.
- Attend a Season Kickoff event.
- Register yourself for the fair you do not need a completed project to register!
- Sign up to participate in pre-season events for help along the way.
 Register for Science Fair Workshops on everything from completing your paperwork, to assembling your fair materials, to practicing for your judge interviews

Step Three: Designing Your Project

- Make sure you have a testable question or design goal.
- Check out our video guides on formulating Your Research Question and Your Hypothesis.
- Plan your experimental procedures.
- Make sure any forms that require signatures before the start of
- experimentation are ready to go. See our Forms & Rules Page to learn more.

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- Check your project plan against All DMRSEF and ISEF Rules. Reach out to the DMRSEF team if you have questions!
- If you are working with a team, have a clear plan for collaboration and division of work.
- Work with your adults to ensure your project plan and materials are ready to go before beginning your experiments.
- Check out our video on Methods and Materials.
- Obtain any necessary pre-preapprovals from review boards (IRB/SRC/IACUC).
- Learn more about Regulatory Bodies in this video. o Check out the helpful SRC Preapproval Flowchart from CSEF.
- o Reach out to the DMRSEF team if you need assistance with preapproval.



From Start to Science Fair: What Do you Need?

- Testable question
- Completed project
- Science Fair forms
- Presentation materials
 - Physical Display
 - Virtual Display
 - 'Elevator Pitch' Video



What makes a successful Science Fair project?

Spoiler Alert: There is no magic bullet...

...but communication is key! So is creativity!

Those who do well at our fair have:

- A genuine interest in their topic/problem
- The ability to talk (and teach) clearly and concisely about their research
- A clear understanding of the methods they used and why they were chosen
- Comfort answering questions and the ability to reason through answers
- A story to tell

Your student's project doesn't need to be overly complex as long as they can tell us what they did and why you did it!

Finding a topic

Remember: Your student is going to be thinking about this project for at least the next 145 days, it needs to be something they are interested in!

Sparking Ideas

- Project Mindstorming
- DMRSEF Project Archives
- Hobbies and interests
- Challenges in daily life

Keep in mind

- Question should be simple, measurable, and answerable within a few months
- Ask what or how instead of why
- If you hate your topic, it won't get done



Your role as a supporter

Reality check: What is a question you can reasonably answer in the next 3 months?

Time management: Registration is due in 103 days; the fair is in 145 days! Don't underestimate time to conduct experiment. Leave room for iteration and problem solving!

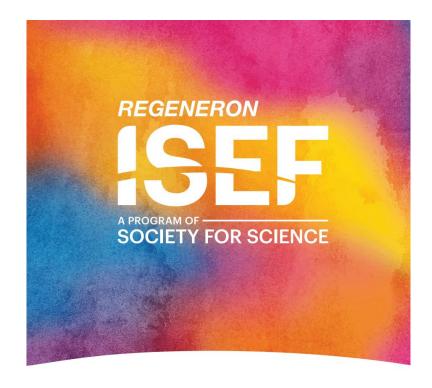
Depth of understanding: Get them talking about their work early and often, ask why, challenge their assumptions, encourage them to find answers, help identify resources.

Referee: Make sure their project complies with ISEF rules!

Cheerleader: Research involves a lot of dead ends, help them get past this frustration.

Scheduler: Encourage them to come to our pre-season events. We are here to help!

ISEF Rules & Forms



INTERNATIONAL RULES FOR PRE-COLLEGE SCIENCE RESEARCH

GUIDELINES FOR SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING FAIRS 2022–2023

The International Rules are organized into 5 key sections:

- Rules for All Projects
- **Human Participant** Rules
- Vertebrate Animal Rules
- Potentially Hazardous Biological Agents (PHBA) Rules
- Hazardous Chemicals, Activities, or Devices Rules

ISEF Rules Wizard:

https://ruleswizard.societyforscience.org/

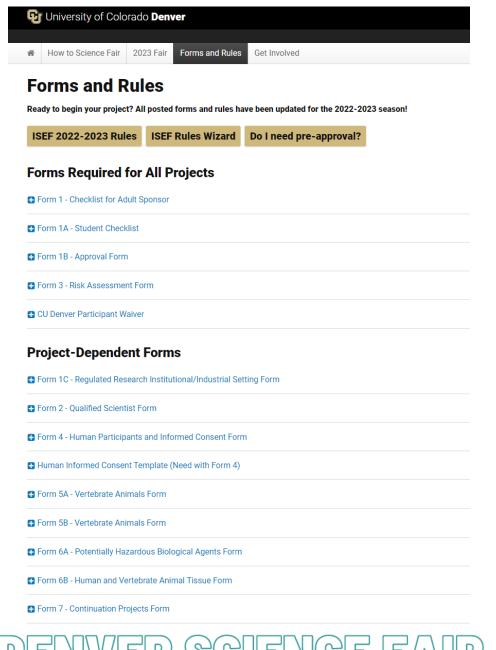
ISEF Rules & Forms

Forms Required for <u>ALL</u> Projects:

- Checklist for Adult Sponsor (Form 1)
- Student Checklist (Form 1A)
- Research Plan/Project Summary
- Approval Form (Form 1B)
- Risk Assessment Form (Form 3)
- Participant Notice of Risk and Waiver

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Project Roles & Responsibilities

Student Researcher(s)

- Responsible for all aspects of the project
- Can compete in team of up to 3 students

Student(s) Parent/Guardian

- Must give permission for student participation
- May serve in other adult roles described below

Adult Sponsor (AS)

- May be a **teacher**, **parent**, professor, and/or professional scientist
- Must have a solid background in science, understand ISEF rules, and be willing to work closely with the student(s) throughout the duration of the project
- Adult Sponsor must stay consistent throughout the project

Qualified Scientist (QS)

- Should have earned doctoral or professional degree in a scientific discipline *related to the student's area of research*
- In some cases, professional experience can substitute for advanced degrees (check with DMRSEF Staff for approval)
- Qualified Scientist must be familiar with local and federal regulations governing the student's area of research
- Adult Sponsors can also serve as the Qualified Scientist if they meet the criteria described above
- If the QS is located in a different city/state/country that prevents them from directly overseeing the student's work, they may appoint a trained **Designated Supervisor (DS)**
- The **Designated Supervisor** must be trained in student's area of research, but does not need an advanced degree
- The Adult Sponsor may act as the Designated Supervisor



This is usually a teacher or parent

Checklist for Adult Sponsor (1)

This completed form is required for ALL projects.

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| To be | completed by the Adult Sponsor is | n collaboration with the stude | ent researcher(s): | |
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| Stude | nt's Name(s): | | | |
| Projec | et Title: | | | =: =: |
| 1. | I have reviewed the ISEF Rules ar | nd Guidelines, including the sc | cience fair ethics statement. | |
| 2. | I have reviewed the student's cor | mpleted Student Checklist (1A) |) and Research Plan/Project Summary. | |
| 3. | I have worked with the student a | nd we have discussed the pos | sible risks involved in the project. | |
| 4. | The project involves one or more Humans Vertebrate Animals | Poten | prior approval by an SRC, IRB, IACUC or IBC: tially Hazardous Biological Agents ficroorganisms | |
| 5. | | R | desearch Plan/Project Summary approval Form (1B) rm (1C) (when applicable; after completed experiment) aplicable) | |
| Addit | Humans, including student desisee full text of the rules.) Human Participants Form (4 Sample of Informed Consen | | or required by the IRB) | Only check boxes that are appropriate to your research |
| | Vertebrate Animal Form (58) Use Committee (IACUC) app |)-for projects conducted in a s -for projects conducted at a R proval required prior experimer | school/home/field research site (SRC prior approval required Regulated Research Institution, (Institutional Animal Care and | |
| | Potentially Hazardous Biolog Human and Vertebrate Anim | gical Agents Risk Assessment F | pleted in addition to Form 6A when project involves the use of | |
| | Qualified Scientist Form (2) The following are exempt from similar microorganisms, for | (when applicable) om prior review but require a R projects using manure for com | tisk Assessment Form 3: projects involving protists, archae and aposting, fuel production or other non-culturing experiments, abial fuel cells, and projects involving decomposing vertebrate | |
| | Risk Assessment Form (3) | E W | pproval required, see full text of the rules.) g DEA-controlled substances or when applicable) | |
| | Other Risk Assessment Form (3) | | | 1 |
| > | I attest to the information check | ked above and that I have read | d and agree to abide by the science fair ethics statement. | This must be dated BEFORE the "Actual Start Date" on form 1A |
| Adul | Sponsor's Printed Name | Signature | Date of Review (mm/dd/yy) | |
| Phon | e | Email | | - |



Student Checklist (1A)

This form is required for ALL projects.

| | 1. a. Student/Team Leader: | Grade: |
|--|---|--|
| | Email: | Phone: |
| | b. Team Member: | c. Team Member: |
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| | | |
| | 3. School: | School Phone: |
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| This is usually a teacher or parent | Adult Sponsor: | |
| teacher of parent | 5. Does this project need SRC/IRB/IACUC or oth | ner pre-approval? Yes No Tentative start date: |
| | Is this a continuation/progression from a prev If Yes: | rious year? ☐ Yes ☐ No |
| | a. Attach the previous year's Abstract a | nd Research Plan/Project Summary |
| N. | b. Explain how this project is new and different Continuation/Research Progression Form | |
| | 7. This year's experimentation/data collection: | |
| This should be the date | | |
| that the student started collecting data | Actual Start Date: (mm/dd/yy) | End Date: (mm/dd/yy) |
| | 8. Where will you conduct your experimentation | n? (check all that apply) |
| | Research Institution School Fie | ld Home Other: |
| | 9. Source of Data: | |
| | ☐ Collected self/mentor ☐ Other Desc | cribe/url: |
| | 10. List name and address of all non-home and n | on-school work site(s): |
| | Name: | <u> </u> |
| | Address: | |
| | Phone/ email | |
| | 11. Complete a Research Plan/Project Summary and attach to this form. | following the Research Plan/Project Summary instructions |
| | 12. An abstract is required for all projects after e | experimentation. |



Research Plan/Project Summary Instructions

A complete Research Plan/Project Summary is required for ALL projects and must accompany Student Checklist (1A).

- All projects must have a Research Plan/Project Summary
 - a. Written prior to experimentation following the instructions below to detail the rationale, research question(s), methodology, and risk assessment of the proposed research.
 - b. If changes are made during the research, such changes can be added to the original research plan as an addendum, recognizing that some changes may require returning to the IRB or SRC for appropriate review and approvals. If no additional approvals are required, this addendum serves as a project summary to explain research that was conducted.
 - c. If no changes are made from the original research plan, no project summary is required.
- Some studies, such as an engineering design or mathematics projects, will be less detailed in the initial project plan and will change through the course of research. If such changes occur, a project summary that explains what was done is required and can be appended to the original research plan.
- · The Research Plan/Project Summary should include the following:
 - a. **RATIONALE:** include a brief synopsis of the background that supports your research problem and explain why this research is important and if applicable, explain any societal impact of your research.
 - b. RESEARCH QUESTION(S), HYPOTHESIS(ES), ENGINEERING GOAL(S), EXPECTED OUTCOMES: How is this based on the rationale described above?
 - c. Describe the following in detail:
- Procedures: Detail all procedures and experimental design including methods for data collection, and when applicable, the source
 of data used. Describe only your project. Do not include work done by mentor or others.
- · Risk and Safety: Identify any potential risks and safety precautions needed.
- Data Analysis: Describe the procedures you will use to analyze the data/results.
 - d. BIBLIOGRAPHY: List major references (e.g. science journal articles, books, internet sites) from your literature review. If you plan to use vertebrate animals, one of these references must be an animal care reference.

Items 1–4 below are subject-specific guidelines for additional items to be included in your research plan/project summary as applicable.

1. Human participants research:

- Participants: Describe age range, gender, racial/ethnic composition of participants. Identify vulnerable populations (minors, pregnant women, prisoners, mentally disabled or economically disadvantaged).
- b. Recruitment: Where will you find your participants? How will they be invited to participate?
- c. Methods: What will participants be asked to do? Will you use any surveys, questionnaires or tests? If yes and not your own, how did you obtain? Did it require permissions? If so, explain. What is the frequency and length of time involved for each subject?
- d. Risk Assessment: What are the risks or potential discomforts (physical, psychological, time involved, social, legal, etc.) to participants? How will you minimize risks? List any benefits to society or participants.
- e. Protection of Privacy: Will identifiable information (e.g., names, telephone numbers, birth dates, email addresses) be collected? Will data be confidential/anonymous? If anonymous, describe how the data will be collected. If not anonymous, what procedures are in place for safeguarding confidentiality? Where will data be stored? Who will have access to the data? What will you do with the data after the study?
- **Informed Consent Process:** Describe how you will inform participants about the purpose of the study, what they will be asked to do, that their participation is voluntary and they have the right to stop at any time.

2. Vertebrate animal research:

- a. Discuss potential ALTERNATIVES to vertebrate animal use and present justification for use of vertebrates.
- b. Explain potential impact or contribution of this research.
- Detail all procedures to be used, including methods used to minimize potential discomfort, distress, pain and injury to the
 animals and detailed chemical concentrations and drug dosages.
- d. Detail animal numbers, species, strain, sex, age, source, etc., include justification of the numbers planned.
- e. Describe housing and oversight of daily care.
- f. Discuss disposition of the animals at the end of the study.

· Potentially hazardous biological agents research:

- a. Give source of the organism and describe BSL assessment process and BSL determination.
- b. Detail safety precautions and discuss methods of disposal.

4. Hazardous chemicals, activities & devices:

- · Describe Risk Assessment process, supervision, safety precautions and methods of disposal.
- Material Safety Data Sheets are not necessary to submit with paperwork.

The research plan is the most important document because it provides the regional SRC board the necessary details of the planned research.

This detailed description of the research guides the SRC to be able to determine if the proper forms were completed and if they contain the correct information.

Must be VERY detailed and include what it is you are going to do and how you are going to do it!

- Materials
- Methods
- Data Analysis
- Safety Precautions

Don't forget safety information! Tell

us where you are going to do your research and what precautions you will be taking. Include citations for safety procedures!



If you are conducting an experiment with humans, vertebrate animals, or potentially hazardous activities or supplies you will need pre-approval from your school SRC/IRB

Approval Form (1B)

A completed form is required for each student, including all team members.

1. To Be Completed by Student and Parent

| a. Student Acknowledgment: I understand the risks and po I have read the ISEF Rules and this research. I have read and will abide by | d Guidelines and will adher | re to all International Ru | |
|--|--|--|--|
| Student researchers are expected to you make to you make the property of the misconduct are not condoned at any level plagiarism, forgery, use or presentation projects will fail to qualify for competition | nintain the highest standard rel of research or competition of other researcher's work | ls of honesty and integr on. Such practices inclu as one's own, and fabric | ide but are not limited to |
| Student's Printed Name b. Parent/Guardian Approval: I have Research Plan/Project Summar | | Must b) e risks and possible dar | |
| Parent/Guardian's Printed Name | Signature | | knowledged (mm/dd/yy) be prior to experimentation.) |
| a. Required for projects that need prior SRC BEFORE experimentation (humans, verte potentially hazardous biological agents). The SRC/IRB has carefully studied this project Project Summary and all the required forms a signature indicates approval of the Research Summary before the student begins experimentally approximately approved to the SRC/IRB Chair's Printed Name | brates or OR all This pict's Research Plan/are included. My Plan/Project R. R. All This pict (not hear included. My Plan/Project Description of the compiler o | ome or high school, etc.), proper institutional board | no prior fair SRC/IRB regulated research institution was reviewed and approved before experimentation and tach (1C) and any required |
| | oval (mm/dd/yy) o experimentation.) Signatu | chair's Printed Name | Date of Signature (mm/dd/yy) (May be after experimentation) |
| 3. Final ISEF Affiliated Fair Sp | roval (Requi | ALL Projects) | |
| SRC Approval After Experimentation I certify that this project adheres to the a | Do NOT write anything | National Fair mary and complies with | |
| Regional SRC Chair's Printed Name | in this succes | Date | of Approval (mm/dd/yy) |

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Date of Approval (mm/dd/yy)

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This must be dated **BEFORE** the "Actual Start Date" on form 1A This must be dated **BEFORE** the "Actual Start Date" on form 1A



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(where applicable)

State/National SRC Chair's Printed N





Science Fair: Understanding Safe Science Practices

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=suckAeLdJcl

Risk Assessment Form (3)

Must be completed before experimentation. May be required for projects involving Hazardous Chemicals, Materials or Devices or Potentially Hazardous Biological Agents; recommended for all projects.

| Student's Name(s) | | |
|---------------------|--|--|
| Student's (varie(s) | | |
| Title of Project | | |
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To be completed by the Student Researcher(s) in collaboration with Designated Supervisor/Qualified Scientist: (All questions must be answered; additional page(s) may be attached.)

- 1. Identify and assess the risks and hazards involved in this project.
- 2. a) List all hazardous chemicals, activities or devices to be used; b) identify and list all microorganisms to be used that are exempt from pre-approval (see Potentially Hazardous Biological Agent rules).
- 3. Describe the safety precautions and procedures that will be used to reduce the risks.
- 4. Describe the disposal procedures that will be used (when applicable).
- 5. List the source(s) of safety information.

You **MUST** include sources!!

To be completed and signed by the Designated Supervisor (or Qualified Scientist, when applicable): I agree with the risk assessment and safety precautions and procedures described above. I certify that I have reviewed the Research Plan/Project Summary and the International Rules, including the science fair ethics statement and will provide direct supervision. Designated Supervisor's Printed Name Signature Date of Review (mm/dd/yy) Experience/Training as relates to the student's area of research

This must be dated **BEFORE**

the "Actual Start Date" on

form 1A

Position/Institution

Common Paperwork Mistakes

- Incomplete paperwork
 - Double check your check boxes!
- Incorrect Dates: Most forms must be dated <u>prior</u> to when experiments are performed
 - NOTE: Forms 1C and 5B must be dated <u>after</u> Experimentation
- Vague research plan
- Multiple Adult Sponsors: The same adult must sign as the AS on all forms
- Improper documentation of risk assessment and mitigation
 - Don't forget form 3!
- Animal research: IACUC approval required <u>before</u> experimentation
- Human research: school IRB must approve research plan <u>before</u> experimentation begins
 - Participants 18 or above must give their informed consent
 - Participants under 18 must give assent and parental written permission may be needed as well

Regulatory Bodies and Project Pre-Approval

- Sometimes projects need **pre-approval** before the start of experimentation (Form 1B)
 - Human Subjects
 - Animal Subjects
 - Potentially Hazardous Biological Agents (PHBAs) or other high-risk activities
- Where you are conducting the project will determine who will need to preapprove
 - Home/School/Field
 - Industrial Setting or Regulated Research Institute (RRI)
- School (Local) SRC/IRB
 - No one on the board can be directly related to the student's project (i.e. teacher or parent)
 - Minimum of 3 members
 - An educator
 - A school administrator (preferably principal or vice principal)
 - A professional with the expertise to evaluate the physical/psychological risk of the study (nurse, psychologist, doctor, social worker, etc.)

This form is to be filled out by the SCHOOL IRB and not the regional science fair review committee (SRC). However, be sure that your school IRB is aware of the rules and limitations of student research projects. For more information and the full list of rules: https://student.societyforscience.org/human-participants

Human Participants Form (4)

Required for all research involving human participants not at a Regulated Research Institution.

If at a Regulated Research Institution, use institutional approval forms for documentation of prior review and approval. (IRB approval required before recruitment or data collection.)

| Judei | nt's Name(s) | Title of Project | |
|---|--|--|--|
| Adult 9 | Sponsor | Phone/Email | |
| MUST | TIST: | LABORATION WITH THE ADULT SPONSOR/DESIGNATED SUPERVISOR/QUALIFIED | |
| I have submitted my Research Plan/Project Summary which addresses ALL areas indicated in the Human Participants Section of th Research Plan/Project Summary Instructions. | | which addresses ALL areas indicated in the Human Participants Section of the | |
| 2. I have attached any surveys or questionnaires I will be using in my project or other documents provided to human participants. | | using in my project or other documents provided to human participants. | |
| | Any published instrument(s) used was /were lega | lly obtained. | |
| | I have attached an informed consent that I would use if required by the IRB. | | |
| 3. 🗆 | | | |

BELOW - IRB USE ONLY

MUST BE COMPLETED BY INSTITUTIONAL REVIEW BOARD (IRB) AFTER REVIEW OF THE RESEARCH PLAN. ALL QUESTIONS MUST BE ANSWERED FOR THE APPROVAL TO BE VALID. (IF NOT APPROVED, RETURN PAPERWORK TO THE STUDENT WITH INSTRUCTIONS FOR MODIFICATIONS.) Approved with Full Committee Review (3 signatures required) and the following conditions: (All 6 must be answered) More than Minimal Risk
No
No ☐ Minimal Risk Risk Level (check one): Qualified Scientist (QS) Required (Form 2): Risk Assessment Required (Form 3): Written Minor Assent required for minor participants: ☐ Yes □ No Not applicable (No minors in this study) 5. Written Parental Permission required for minor participants: ☐ Not applicable (No minors in this study) 6. Written Informed Consent required for participants 18 years or older: Not applicable (No participants 18 yrs or older in this study) IRB SIGNATURES (All 3 signatures required) None of these individuals may be the adult sponsor, designated supervisor, qualified scientist or related to (e.g., mother, father of) the student (conflict of interest). I attest that I have reviewed the student's project, that the checkboxes above have been completed to indicate the IRB This must be dated BEFORE the determination and that I agree with the decisions above. Medical or Mental Health Professional (a psychologist, medical doctor, licensed social worker, licensed clinical profession physician's assistant, doctor of pharmacy, or registered nume) with expertise related to this project. Printed Name Degree/Professional Date of Approval o experimentation.) (mm/dd/vv) Signature This must be dated BEFORE Educator Printed Name Degree/Professional Lic Date of Approval (Mg "Actual Start Date" on form 1A Signature School Administrator Printed Name Degree/Professional Lice perimentation.) (mm/dd/yy) Date of Approval (Must be printernational Rules: Guidelines for Science and Engineering Fairs 2021-2022, societyforscience.org/ISEF Page 39

Even though your school IRB may have given approval, the study must conform to all ISEF regulations



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Human Informed Consent Form

Instructions to the Student Researcher(s): An informed consent/assent/permission form should be developed in consultation with the Adult Sponsor, Designated Supervisor or Qualified Scientist.

This form is used to provide information to the research participant (or parent/guardian) and to document written informed consent, minor assent, and/or parental permission.

- · When written documentation is required, the researcher keeps the original, signed form.

| If the form is serving to document parental permiss | ion, a copy of any survey or questi | onnaire must be attached. | |
|---|---------------------------------------|---|--|
| Student Researcher(s): | | | |
| Title of Project: | | | |
| I am asking for your voluntary participation in my so project. If you would like to participate, please sign | | following information about the | |
| Purpose of the project: | | | |
| If you participate, you will be asked to: | | <u> </u> | |
| Time required for participation: | | nis is just an example of a consent form. Du MUST submit a copy of whatever | |
| Potential Risks of Study: | co | onsent form was used. If the survey was one online, submit a copy of all of the | |
| Benefits: | cc | onsent questions used as a part of that urvey | |
| How confidentiality will be maintained: | | | |
| If you have any questions about this study, feel free | to contact: | | |
| Adult Sponsor/QS/DS: | Phone/email: | | |
| Voluntary Participation: | | | |
| Participation in this study is completely voluntary. It consequences. Please be aware that if you decide to decide not to answer any specific question. | | | |
| By signing this form I am attesting that I have read assent to participate or permission for my child to p | | ove and I freely give my consent/ | |
| Adult Informed Consent or Minor Assent | Date Reviewed & Signed: | | |
| | (mm/dd/yy) | | |
| Research Participant Printed Name: | Signature: | | |
| Parental/Guardian Permission (if applicable) | Date Reviewed & Signed: (mm/dd/yy) | | |
| | - | | |

Signature:

Parent/Guardian Printed Name:

Qualified Scientist Form (2)

May be required for research involving human participants, vertebrate animals, potentially hazardous biological agents, and hazardous substances and devices. Must be completed and signed before the start of student experimentation.

| itudent's Name(s)itle of Project | | | | |
|--|-------------------------------------|---|---|---|
| to be completed by the Qualified Scientist: | | | | |
| xperience/Training as relates to the student's area of res | | | | |
| osition/Institution: Email/Pho | one: | | _ | |
| Have you reviewed the ISEF rules relevant to this proje fair ethics statement relevant to this project? | ect and the science | Yes No | | |
| Will any of the following be used? a. Human participants b. Vertebrate animals c. Potentially hazardous biological agents (microorgatissues, including blood and blood products) d. Hazardous substances and devices | | Yes No Yes No Yes No Yes No | | |
| B. Will this study be a sub-set of a larger study? | | Yes No | | |
| . Will you directly supervise the student? | | Yes No | | |
| a. If no, who will directly supervise and serve as the I b. Experience/Training of the Designated Supervisor | | | | |
| To be completed by the Qualified Scientist: I certify that I have reviewed and approved the Research Plan/ Project Summary prior to the start of the experimentation. If the student or Designated Supervisor is not trained in the necessary procedures, I will ensure her/his training. I will provide advice and supervision during the research. I have the a working knowledge of the techniques to be used by a student in the Research Plan/Project Summary, I us student in the Research Plan/Project Summary, I us that a Designated Supervisor is require when the date of the conducting experimentation under the start of the conducting experimentatio | when the Qualified So supervise. | he Designated Supervicentist cannot directly wed the Research Plan/Protrained in the techniques provide direct supervision ted Name | oject to be used n. If needed dated B dated B Start D | this must be the "Actual FORE the "Actual A ate" on form 1A |
| Signature Date of Approval (mm/dd/yy) | Phone | Email | | |

Registration Due January 12th... Then What?

DMRSEF Team:

- Assigns your project to SRC members to be reviewed
- Hosts workshops and Q&A sessions to help along the way

Participants:

- Finish analyzing data
- Begin building poster board
- Put together digital materials
- Practice, Practice!

Regional SRC Review

- The DMRSEF SRC is a group of scientists and educators that reviews <u>EVERY</u> project submitted to the fair prior to competition
- We read your research plans and check your forms to make sure you have followed all required rules and guidelines
- Our main concern is SAFETY your safety as scientists, the safety of your human and/or animal subjects, the safety of the environment
- We are not here to stop you from competing in the fair! My goal every year is to have
 ZERO projects fail to qualify (FTQ)
- The SRC is here to help you get your paperwork over the finish line. You cannot compete until your SRC Reviewer has signed off on your project, so please be responsive to their emails and requests
- If at any point in the season you are in doubt about the rules, email denversciencefair@ucdenver.edu We want to help!

Presentation Materials

BRING TO THE FAIR

- Physical poster board
- Optional physical martials: Notebook, Demos

UPLOAD TO SYMPOSIUM

- 2-3 Minute Introduction Video
- Digital Poster Slide Deck
- Optional digital materials: Demo video, Supporting documents

PLEASE EVALUATE THE PROJECT ON THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS:

| Criteria: | Score: | Notes: |
|----------------------|--------|--------|
| Research Question | /10 | |
| Design & Methodology | /10 | |
| Execution | /10 | |
| Creativity | /10 | |
| Poster (slides) | /10 | |
| Introductory Video | /10 | |
| Interview | /10 | |

Physical poster board





Virtual Poster (Slide Deck)

Required Materials

PROJECT PRESENTATION

- Project Presentation must be a single PDF document of no more than 12 pages.
- Page size must not exceed 8½" x 11" and should be in Landscape orientation.
- The PDF document must not include any animations or active hyperlinks (except for original source material in the references).
- The information on each page must be readable.
- The PDF document must open with the default magnification set to "Fit Page" so that
 the entire page is visible at the same time.
- All Project Presentation elements must conform to the same Display & Safety rules as the in-person fair. See page 4 for details.

DESIGNING YOUR SLIDES:

We recommend starting with one of the following pre-made templates:

- Science Projects
- PowerPoint Template | Google Slides Template
- Engineering Projects
 Development Toppolets
- Math/Computer Science Projects
 PowerPoint Template | Google Slides Template

If using provided templates, do not change the page settings on the template – they are set up so that the template will print to pdf with the correct page size (8½" \times 11") and orientation (Landscape).

You may add more slides as needed to the template, up to a maximum of 12 printed pages

Please be aware that if your progress to future competitions, your presentation may need to be adapted to fit their (stricter) requirements, such as black font on a white background.

At DMRSEF, however, you are encouraged to use your creativity to engage your audience in your project as long as you remain mindful of both professionalism and readability.

CLICK HERE to visit the 2021 DMRSEF Virtual Project Showcase for inspiration!



DMRSEF Staff will be hosting a Presentation Preparation call on 1/19/2022 over Zoom, you can register HERE to join!

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Quantitative Methods to Analyze the Synergism of Digestive Enzymes for Gluten Breakdown: A step closer to making Glu-relief pills.



Presenter(s)(s)

Aditi Avinash

Project Number

SR-MFD-006

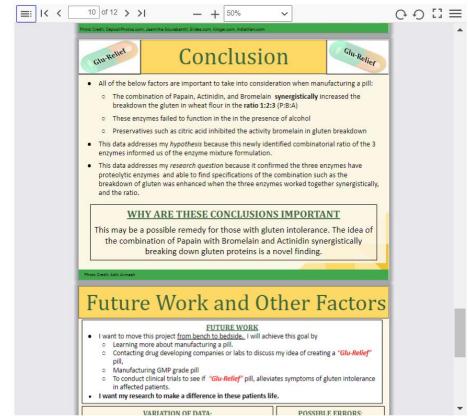
Optional: Supplementary Materials

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Abstract or Description

Millions of people in the USA alone suffer from celiac disease or gluten intolerance. In previous work, I identified three fruit-derived enzymes that when combined have an efficient effect in gluten breakdown (Papain, Bromelain, and Actinidin). This year, I pursued quantitative identification of a



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Introduction Video

PROJECT VIDEO

What to include in your video?

Introduce Yourself:

- State your full name
- You may include your school and/or town if you wish
- Rather than reciting your project title, consider explaining your project in one or two sentences.

Explain Your Project:

- Summarize your research:
 - What did you do?
 - What did you find?
 - · What conclusions did you draw?
- You may use props or visuals as long as they are within the Display & Safety guidelines (see page 4).

Tips for Filming:

- Film in a well-lit and non-distracting environment
- For best results, film your video horizontally (landscape).
- Keep the camera still and in place during filming.
- Speak clearly and loudly enough that the recording is able to pick up every word you say.
- Avoid long pauses and filler phrases
- · Listen to your video after recording to ensure your voice is clear and audible, and that the video has not picked up too much background noise.



Posting and sharing your video Your introductory video must be linked

from YouTube, demos and optional materials may be uploaded into google drive. See below for full instructions.

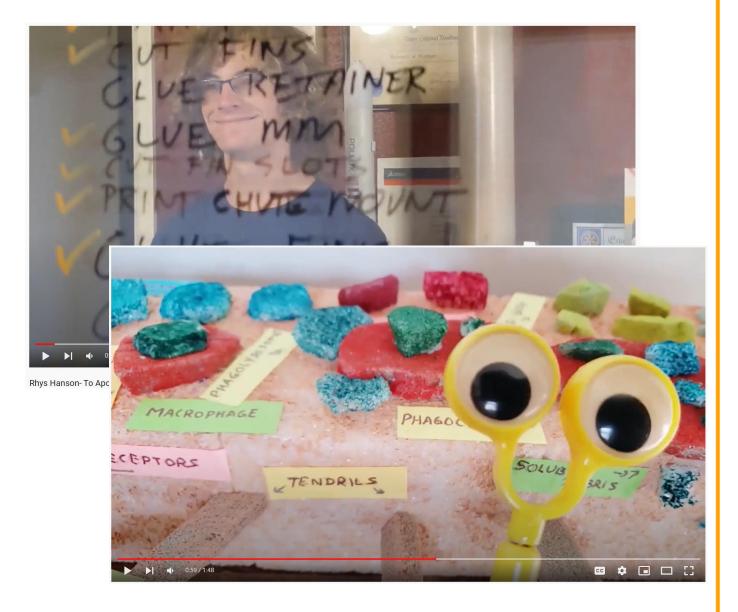
- In YouTube, your video may be uploaded and posted as "unlisted" so that only those with a direct link can access it. Unlisted videos are not searchable or available to the public. You can choose to list your video publicly but should check with your parent or guardian before doing so.
- Google Drive is also a sharing option. Remember to set permissions so that anyone with the link can view your video.

Please Remember:

- Videos should be no longer than 2-3 minutes and should broadly summarize your project.
- · Students are the only individuals allowed to appear in the video, however, they are not required to do so.



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February 23rd 2024

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2023-2024 Important Dates

- Registration Opens: Sunday, October 1, 2023 (TODAY)
- Early Bird Reg. Closes (\$40): December 15, 2023
- Registration Closes (\$50): Friday, January 12, 2024
- Virtual Material Submissions Open: January 22, 2024
- Virtual Material Submissions Closed: February 9, 2024
- Paperwork Corrections Due: February 16, 2024
- Virtual Materials Corrections Due: February 16, 2024
- DMRSEF: Friday, February 23, 2024
- Awards Ceremony: Sunday, February 25, 2024



Questions?

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Regulated Research Institutional/Industrial Setting Form (1C)

This form must be completed AFTER experimentation by the adult supervising the student research either virtually or on site, conducted in a regulated research institution, industrial setting or any work site other than home, school or field.

| St | udent's Name(s) | | |
|----------|--|-----|------|
| Tit | le of Project | | |
| (R | be completed by the Supervising Adult in the Setting (NOT the Student(s)) after exesponses must be on the form as it is required to be displayed at student's project booth; please ed.) | | |
| Re 1. | search was supported at my work site: Did you or your proxy (e.g. graduate student, postdoc, employee) mentor or provide substantial guidance to the student researcher? a. If no, describe your and/or your institution's role with the student researcher and his/her project (e.g. supervised use of equipment on site without ongoing mentorship and sign below. | Yes | ■ No |
| | b. If yes, complete questions 2–5. | | |
| 2. | Is the student's research project a subset of your ongoing research or work? Use questions 3, 4 and 5 to detail how the student's project was similar and/or different from ongoing research or work at your site. If this project is under a grant and needs to be acknowledged, please list the grant statement here. | Yes | ■ No |
| 3. | Describe the independence and creativity with which the student: a. developed the hypotheses or engineering goals for the research project | | |
| | b. designed the methodology for his/her research project | | |
| | c. analyzed and interpreted data See next pa more ques | _ | |

If any of the research was done at a standard research facility (college, pharmaceutical company, environmental testing facility, etc..) or a facility where advanced research is allowed (certain high schools or local labs) the 1C form IS required.

If the project is to be a data analysis only and the data is publicly available, then nothing else is needed

If data is covered by privacy rules/laws (ex. Patient data) or from a private source (ex. Proprietary data), then the student must show documentation of how the data became available and how/why they were allowed to view it and study it.

The best thing to do is have the mentor send a short letter on their letterhead explaining that there were no HIPAA violations. This is even if the data was de-identified.

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Regulated Research Institutional/Industrial Setting Form (1C) Continued

Student's Name(s)

4. Detail the student's role in conducting the research (e.g. data collection, specific procedures performed). Differentiate what the student observed and what the student actually did.

5. Did the student(s) work on the project as part of a group? If yes, how many individuals were in the group and who were they (e.g. high school students, graduate students, faculty, professional researchers)?

☐ No

the "End Date" on form 1A work as indicated above and that any require review a ACUC/IBC) has been obtained. Copies are attach I attest that the studen by institutional regular be presenting this work publicly in competition and acknowledge that the with the student rese ing any requirements for my review and/or restriction Supervising Adult's Printed Name Signature

Institution

Address

Date Signed (must be after experimentation) (mm/dd/yy)

Email/Phone

Vertebrate Animal Form (5A)

Required for all research involving vertebrate animals that is conducted in a school/home/field research site.

(SRC approval required before experimentation.)

To be completed by Student Researcher:

- 1. Common name (or Genus, species) and number of animals used.
- Describe completely the housing and husbandry to be provided. Include the cage/pen size, number of animals per cage, environment, bedding, type of food, frequency of food and water, how often animal is observed, etc. Add an additional page as necessary.
- 3. What will happen to the animals after experimentation?
- 4. Attach a copy of wildlife licenses or approval forms, as applicable
- The ISEF Vertebrate Animal Rules require that any death, illness or unexpected weight loss be investigated and documented by a letter from the qualified scientist, designated supervisor or a veterinarian. If applicable, attach this letter with this form when submitting your paperwork to the SRC prior to competition.

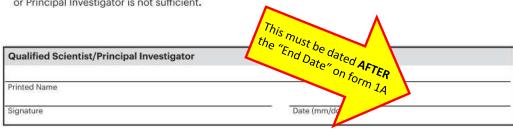
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| Designated Supervisor REQUIRED. Please have applicable person sign below. Veterinarian and Designated Supervisor REQUIRED. Please have applicable persons sign below. | | | | |
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| The SRC has carefully reviewed to Local or Affiliate Fair SRC Pre | | appropriate study that may be co | onducted in a non-regulated research site. | |
| SRC Chair Printed Name | BEFORE sinarian: | | Date of Approval (must be presented by Decimented Supervised By Decimented By De | |
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| Printed Name | Email/Ph | Printed Name | Email/Phone | |
| Signature | Date of Approval (mn | m/dd/yy) Signature | Date of Approval (mm/dd/yy) | |

Vertebrate Animal Form (5B)

Required for all research involving vertebrate animals that is conducted at a Regulated Research Institution. (IACUC approval required before experimentation.)

| Student's Name(s) | 1 |
|---|--|
| Title of Project | _/ |
| Title and Protocol Number of IACUC Approved Project | You MUST include a copy of the actual IACUC form with |
| To be completed by Qualified Scientist or Principal Investiga | ator: the protocol number |
| Species of animals used: | Number of animals used: |
| Describe, in detail, the role of the student in this project: animal were involved, oversight provided and safety precautions employed. | 를 잃어보면 보다면 보다면 살아보다는 것이다면 보다면 되다면 되었다. 그리고 있다면 보다 보다 되었다면 되었다면 보다면 보다면 보다면 보다면 보다면 보다면 보다면 보다면 보다면 보 |
| 3. Was there any weight loss or death of any animal? If yes, attach a designated supervisor or a veterinarian documenting the situation | |
| 4. Did the student's project also involve the use of tissues? No Yes; complete Forms 6A and 6B | |
| 5. What laboratory training, including dates, was provided to the s | tudent? |

Attach a copy of the Regulated Research Institution IACUC Approval. A letter from the Qualified Scientist
or Principal Investigator is not sufficient.



Potentially Hazardous Biological Agents Risk Assessment Form (6A)

Required for research involving microorganisms, rDNA, fresh/frozen tissue (including primary cell lines, human and other primate established cell lines and tissue cultures), blood, blood products and body fluids.

SRC/IACUC/IBC approval required before experimentation.

| Title of Project | | |
|--|---|--|
| o be completed by the QUALIFIED | | D SUPERVISOR in collaboration with the student wered; additional page(s) may be attached. |
| ECTION 1: PROJECT ASSESSMENT Identify potentially hazardous biol biosafety level risk group of each in the second | | n this experiment. Include the source, quantity and the |
| . Describe the site of experimentati | on including the level of bi | iological containment. |
| . Describe the procedures that will | be used to minimize risk (p | personal protective equipment, hood type, etc.). |
| . What final biosafety level do you re | ecommend for this project | given the risk assessment you conducted? |
| Describe the method of disposal of | of all cultured materials and | d other potentially hazardous biological agents. |
| ECTION 2: TRAINING | | |
| What training will the student rece | eive for this project? | |
| . Experience/training of Designated | Supervisor as it relates to | the student's area of research (if applicable). |
| | organisms/cell lines/tissues e conducted at a (check one edures have been approved | to be used in this study will NOT be conducted at a Regulated e) BSL-1 or BSL-2 laboratory. [This study has been reviewed prior to experimentation.] |
| Experimentation on the micror Research Institution and was a forms are attached. Origin of cell lines: | parayed by the appropriate | to be defined in this study will be conducted at a Regulated all board prior to experimentation; institutional approved to the conducted at a Regulated and the conducted at a Regulated a |
| Experimentation on the micro Research Institution, which do research plan and supporting | be the tris must be dated to the tris must be determined to the trip. | In this study will be conducted at a Regulated type of study. The SRC has seen and approved the st the accuracy of the responses above. |
| CERTIFICATION - To be SIGNED by t | he This "ACT LAST | or DESIGNATED SUPERVISOR |
| The QS/DS has seen this project's rese provided above. This study has been a paboratory. | | ocumentation and acknowledges the accuracy of the information BSL-1/ BSL-2 study, and will be conducted in an appropriate |
| QS/DS Printed Name | ature | Date of review (mm/dd/yy) |
| SECTION 4: CERTIFICATION | 10 | RC |
| The SRC has seen this project's research | Do NOT wr | rite acknowledges the accuracy of the information provided |
| SRC Printed Name | anything in this | Date of review (mm/dd/vy) |

Human and Vertebrate Animal Tissue Form (6B)

Required for research involving fresh/frozen tissue (including primary cell lines, human and other primate established cell lines and tissue cultures), blood, blood products and body fluids. If the research involves living organisms please ensure that the proper human or animal forms are completed. All projects using any tissue listed above must also complete Form 6A.

| udent's Name(s) | | |
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| le of Project | | |
| be completed by Student Re | esearcher(s): | |
| What vertebrate animal tissue will Fresh or frozen tissue sam Fresh organ or other body Blood Body fluids Primary cell/tissue culture Human or other primate e | pple part es | all that apply. |
| Where will the above tissue(s) b | e obtained? If using an est | ablished cell line include source and catalog number. |
| | e name of the research inst | dy conducted at a research institution attach a copy of itution, the title of the study, the IACUC approval num- |
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| o be completed by the Quali I verify that the student will work or qualified personnel from the I purpose other than the student's AND/OR I certify that the blood, blood pr standards and guidance set fortl Pathogens. | s solely with organs, tissues, c aboratory; and that if vertebra s research. oducts, tissues or body fluids | eultures or cells that will be supplied to be dated. Date at animals were euthanized by were be dated. Date in this project will be hand. |
| rinted Name | Signature | Date of Approval (mm/dd/yy) (Must be prior to experimentation.) |
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| nstitution | | |

Continuation/Research Progression Projects Form (7)

Required for projects that are a continuation/progression in the same field of study as a previous project.

This form must be accompanied by the previous year's abstract and Research Plan/Project Summary.

| 2. Change in goal/ purpose/objective 3. Changes in methodology | Continuation projects MUST include this form and the previous year(s) Abstract and Research Plan. FOR ALL projects that were conducted |
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| purpose/objective . Changes in | Continuation projects MUST include this form and the previous year(s) Abstract and Research Plan. |
| 3. Changes in | include this form and the previous year(s) Abstract and Research Plan. |
| | FOR ALL projects that were conducted |
| | /began before January 1 st 2021 |
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| i. Additional changes | |
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