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- The maximum abstract length is 2000 characters.
- Abstracts should not include references or citations; save these for your poster.
- This form only accepts plain text. Graphics, images, and special characters cannot be accommodated.

AUDIENCE:

- Your abstract should be written for and understandable to a general audience.
- Avoid technical language if possible. If not, provide explanations of appropriate terminology.

CONTENT:

Try to address all of the following in your abstract, not necessarily in the order listed. Items (1) and (2) must be addressed. Abstract reviewers understand that different disciplines have different norms.

- (1) Central research question / purpose of the project
- (2) Findings / results
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- (6) Methods / processes -- How did you attempt to address your research question?

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