





The nonsense verse of pseudoscience

# THE BATTLE BETWEEN SCIENCE AND PSEUDOSCIENCE RAGES ON

Turn the table with Ridiculous "Guess so", "Why not?", and "What if?" moments



# Prelims (submission of hypothesis)

- A short write-up describing the proposal has to be submitted.
- The proposal can be on any scientific topic, but it must either propose a hypothesis, suggest a big idea for a scientific project, or describe an experiment.
- Candidates will be shortlisted based upon humour, scientific absurdity and uniqueness of the proposal.



### **GUIDELINES FOR SUBMISSION**

#### DO'S:

- Make it believable. Use theorems, equations, charts to your heart's content.
- Keep it PG-13. Offensive, sexist or rude contents will be immediately disqualified.
- Keep your thoughts restricted to a central idea, and expand upon it.

#### DON'TS:

- Don't break the fourth wall. The whole idea here is that we're doing a fake seminar. We want a real talk about a bad idea.
- Don't send a theory that is completely or partially true. That's not the point here.
- Don't send theories about fictional characters.

### SOME COMMON IDEAS

- New theories of evolution, human psychology, or animal behavior.
- Ways to solve major problems (real or imagined) facing humanity
- Ways to use science to improve human life
- Proposals for large scale social science experiments
- Proposals for "big science" projects,
  like space missions or the LHC



# Final Round (presenation)

Shortlisted candidates must give a presentation (5 minutes) in front of

judges panel and audiences



Present your idea with a powerpoint presentation

After the lecture participants will have to 'defend' the theory before a panel of judges.





### Winners

Ideas that are most ridiculous and mind boggling, yet detailed with scientific rigour will win.

Judges will declare the winners ( 1<sup>st</sup>,2<sup>nd</sup>,3<sup>rd</sup> or as they wish.)

one example is here:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0labEAJYw 7g

## Thank you















