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Executive Summary

(Completed during MS9; 1-2 pages)

Replace this text with a paragraph answering the following questions:

* Who is the partner for this project?
* What is the larger task that our project partner needs us to complete? (Re-read the memo from nanoHUB and your answers to questions in M1.)
* What is the specific (immediate) task your team is trying to complete? When answering this question,
  + Identify your target audience and
  + State your goals for the simulation suite.
* What is your solution? When answering this question,
  + Briefly describe each mathematical model and
  + Describe how the target user can explore each model through a simulation

We are partnering in this endeavor with nanoHub. We are developing a simulation suite that helps our clients visualize certain aspects of the photovoltaic panel fabrication process, as it relates specifically to quantum dot nanoparticles. For the direct user (the PV fabrication team), our goal is to provide them with a way of easily testing different ‘recipes’ for mixtures of QD materials in order to achieve a given average band gap energy. (We haven’t gotten a solution yet). (We haven’t reached this level yet).

Replace this text with a paragraph answering the following questions:

* How do you define success? Provide a ***critical*** evaluation of the effectiveness of your simulation suite with respect to *each* of the **five** criteria for a success (see the memo from our project partners). ***For each criterion, provide strengths AND weaknesses***. ***Be specific by making reference to identifiable features of your solution*.** All solutions have weaknesses, so your team needs to think critically about what needs to be done to bring your solution up to a professional quality product that is ready for your target audience to use on nanoHUB.org.

Milestone 1 Summary

(1-2 paragraphs, 0.5-1 page)

Replace this text with a paragraph or two answering the following questions:

* What was the outcome of this milestone?
  + Don’t just list a series of checklist tasks. Rephrase the outcome in a more general sense.
  + What were the goals of the milestone and how did you achieve them (or not)?
* What feedback did you receive on this milestone?
* How did you respond to the feedback you received on this milestone? Did you change anything? If so, discuss what was changed and why.

The outcome of Milestone 1 was a collection of information relating to the development and implementation of PV Quantum Dot technology. Briefly, the information contained in the document is organized as follows. The initial section is a reflection on the problem at hand, what is needed? By what are we constrained? For whom are we making this product? The second section is a list of potential stakeholders in PV technology, as well as a description of each and whether or not that particular party would be in direct contact with our proposed product. We were then asked to evaluate our list of stakeholders and narrow it down to one particular primary direct user for whom we would be specializing our simulation suite. Once we had picked one and given our reasons for doing so, we then researched and brainstormed about what we would need to know in order to create a simulation suite that would actually be useful to our chosen user. The end goal of this milestone was to narrow down the end result of the project, to force us to think about and research our direct user, so that when it comes time to actually produce the suite, we will have the information necessary to develop a set of simulations that have a direct correlation to the needs of the user.

The main feedback that we received was directed at our oversight as far as citations and proper formatting.

We addressed these concerns by properly formatting our citations and including correct in-text attributions.

Include similar summary paragraphs for each Milestone 2-9