

General Feedback for Arabidopsis Project Proposals

Field Biology

1. Check the format posted on my web site – make sure you’ve included all the sections and sub-sections.
2. Add details to your introduction where appropriate. You could easily write 2-3 sentences for EACH of the questions asked in sub-section 1b. You don’t need to include citations for your sources, but you should be writing this information in your own words – **no copying and pasting**.
3. Don’t forget a blank data form – this should definitely include at LEAST the following:
 - a. Your group name / individual names
 - b. Date of data collection
 - c. Type of plant – mutant or wild-type
 - d. Type of treatment (low, medium, or high stress)
 - e. Plant number (if appropriate)
 - f. Tray number (if appropriate)
 - g. Your measurement (plant height, # of leaves, etc.)
 - h. Notes
4. Make sure that your question, hypothesis, and methods are all in agreement – your hypothesis should be a potential answer to your question, and your methods should specifically address how you will make the measurements you described in your question.
5. Check your spelling, grammar, and punctuation – this should be a neatly formatted, properly typed document.