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| Principal Investigator (PI) | |
| Project Title | |
| Institution | |

DECLARATION: RELATIONSHIP WITH THE APPLICANT

Nature of your relationship with the applicant:

Please state if you know the applicant personally or if you have previously encountered the applicant's work, for example, by having heard aspects of his work presented at a conference. Also, please state if you have read or cited his papers prior to being asked to give this assessment.

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Please evaluate the PI and the research proposal based on the following criteria

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| PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR |
| Please evaluate the Principal Investigator's qualifications, scientific productivity and research track record. |
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| Has the Principal Investigator already demonstrated the capacity and ability to explore new and important scientific topics? |
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| Please evaluate the qualifications and potential of the Principal Investigator for establishing an independent research group. |
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| <i>Please summarize your assessment of the PI:</i> |

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| SCIENTIFIC AND/OR TECHNOLOGICAL MERIT OF THE PROJECT PROPOSAL |
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| Please evaluate the merit and importance of the proposed project, in relation to current research in the corresponding scientific field. |
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| Please evaluate the innovative aspects, the working hypothesis, and methodology. How competitive is this project proposal in relation to current research in the scientific field? |
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| Please evaluate the possible impact, if successful, this research project may have on the scientific field. What is the potential for publishing results in influential scientific journals (with high impact factor) and/or scientific books? Alternatively, what is the potential for research commercialization of results or the possibility of patenting? |
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| <i>Please summarize your assessment of the merit and importance of the research proposal:</i> |

| FEASIBILITY OF THE PROJECT PROPOSAL |
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| To what extent is the proposed methodology feasible in the given research environment? |
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| Please evaluate the profile and qualifications of the research team and the facilities available for performing the research. |
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| Please evaluate the feasibility of the work plan. (Take into consideration the planned time to complete the proposed project, reach the goals and publish results. Does the project proposal state all potential risks and include a contingency plan if required?) |
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| <i>Please summarize your assessment of the feasibility of the proposed project:</i> |

PROJECT PROPOSAL'S STRENGTHS

(Please give a short description. Minimum 50 words.)

PROJECT PROPOSAL'S WEAKNESSES

(Please give a short description. Minimum 50 words.)

Project funding recommendation:

Please choose one of the following options:

A – I recommend funding the project proposal in its present form.

B – I recommend funding the project after the PI has considered the optional revisions mentioned in the report, and if sufficient funds are available.

C – The project proposal requires significant modifications and is not suitable for funding in its present form.