

How much preliminary work to convince the reviewers?

- Data that persuade the reviewers to believe your hypothesis.
- Convince them that you are able to carry out.
- Necessary reagents required for successful accomplishment of your goal.
- Compelling data that shows that you are uniquely qualified.
- Include some of the previously published data-only if it makes your case.

How to present without overwhelming the proposal with details?

- Present the findings as tables, figures, diagrams in a logical order.
- Table title and a legend that describes how the data were generated.
- Figure legend and sufficient methodology as how the data were generated.
- Do not place raw, non-pertinent or remotely related data or a summary of all your papers.
- Do not present methods unless they help convince the reviewer your ability to successfully execute them.

Do not randomly present data.

Unspoken Thumb Rule



At least one third of the experiments proposed are completed before a grant has a chance to be funded.