

# Instructions for Poster Abstract Preparation

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**Short Abstract** — These instructions give you guidelines for preparing poster abstracts for the First q-bio Conference on Cellular Information Processing. Use this document as an example of the desired format. Do not delete the blank line immediately above the abstract; it sets the footnote at the bottom of this column. The short abstract should be limited to 100 words or less. Underline the name of the author presenting. The presenting author must be the same author registering to attend the conference.

**Keywords** — Key words or phrases in order of importance, separated by commas. Key words are optional. Use no more than three lines.

## I. PURPOSE

THE purpose of the extended abstract is to present background information with literature references [1], a summary of the results that will be presented, and the main conclusions. Poster abstracts will be printed in a conference proceedings book that will be made available to all conference participants before the meeting.

Poster abstracts will be reviewed by the organizing committee for adherence to the formatting requirements (presented here), topicality, and to the extent possible, technical correctness and potential impact [2-4]. Originality will be considered but is not required. Authors of accepted abstracts will have an opportunity to revise their abstracts before distribution of the abstract book [5,6]. Authors of selected poster abstracts will be invited to present contributed talks in addition to their posters [7-10].

The q-bio conference is intended to advance predictive modeling of signal transduction and genetic regulatory systems [1,3,5-8]. The emphasis is on modeling and quantitative experimentation for the purposes of understanding and predicting the behavior of particular regulatory systems and of elucidating general principles underlying cellular information processing [5,7,10].

## II. PREPARATION OF ABSTRACTS

Abstracts should be submitted electronically as pdf files using the registration form available at the conference web site (<http://cnls.lanl.gov/q-bio/>). The deadline for submitting an abstract is April 15, 2007. You will receive an email

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confirming submission of your abstract immediately after submission, and an acceptance or rejection notice before May 15, 2007. However, abstracts will be reviewed as they are received.

### A. Page layout

The abstract should be prepared for US letter size paper (8.5 x 11 in). The left and right margins should be 0.75 in, and the top and bottom margins should be at least 0.75 in.

The abstract should be set in **two columns** with 0.2 in column separation. Please, use a single page, which should not be numbered.

### B. Typesetting

All paragraphs should be indented 0.1 in.

Times New Roman 10 pt font should be used for normal text in the body of the abstract. Use this document as guidance.

### C. Title, author name(s), and affiliations

The poster title and the author names should be set centered across the full page width. The title is set in 24 pt size. The author names appear below the title in 11 pt size, normal face. The affiliations of the authors should appear as footnotes in the left column. The name of the author presenting should be underlined.

## III. CONCLUSION

Organization of material within the framework of the format presented here and within the space limitation of one page is flexible.

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