

M&M 2021 Submission Instructions and Tips

The M&M 2021 submission portal will open on December 7, 2020.

The submission deadline is **Thursday, February 18, 2021** – 11:59 PM, U.S. Eastern Time.

- Please note! M&M is using the same submission system this year as used in 2020. The form structure and process are different from recent previous years. Do not be alarmed if things seem different from what you've become accustomed to.
- The primary and most important difference to the submission process this year is that there is no Word or PDF "template" because there is no file upload option. The submission process is a webform with a series of inputs – separate fields for title, body, references, images, and captions, in which you can upload images and cut/paste text (and/or type it in manually).
- If you are a student, technologist or post-doc and you are applying for an M&M Meeting Scholar Award, your submission must have two (2) figure/images.
- If you are not applying for a Meeting Award, your submission may have 0, 1, or 2 figures/images.
- For the submission body, the character (not word!) minimum is 2,000 and the character (not word!) maximum is 6,000. The form will keep count for you.
- The "References" field has a character maximum of 2,000.
- [Click here](#) for a detailed example of how to appropriately scale your figures in your M&M submission for optimal results. [Note from the author: We have submitted a high aspect ratio image through the site (Fig. 1). As expected, the figure is not quite large as it is scaled to the width of the page. One simple way of taking care of this issue is to resubmit the figure with additional white space on the left and right (See Fig. 2)].
- **NEW FOR 2021!** During the submission process, you will be able to state your presentation preference (in-person, or fully virtual), as well as complete a brief survey about your travel, professional, or personal restrictions to help the Society better understand the needs and situations of the community.

Guidelines for Submission Text and Figures

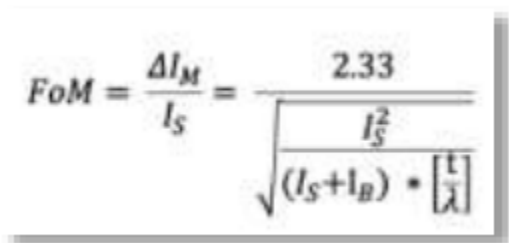
- Please remember to put spatial and time scales on your micrographs and movies.
- Labels are important too: Is it a T cell or a fibroblast? Is it ten seconds or overnight?
- Especially with the advent of super resolution (including expansion microscopy) the ratio of detail to full cell size has changed dramatically in fluorescent micrographs from what has been historically common, therefore, the need for clear spatial scale is critical.
- To understand what we are seeing and how it relates to other phenomena, please place spatial scales on every micrograph and time scales (or duration) on every movie.
- For example, movies could say, "Six-hour duration," or have times incrementing in a corner with clear units (ms, sec, min, etc). It is best to see this on every image, clear at a glance.

How To Embed A Graphic Image In The Body Of Your Submissions Text

The M&M 2021 Submissions field does not support Math HTML. Here is a work-around process to insert/embed advanced equations/formulas into the body of your M&M submission:

1. Use an "equation editor" / Math HTML to create your desired formula/equation(s).
2. Use an Image Capture tool (in Windows 10 - "Snip & Sketch") to make a small image.
3. Save the image in PNG or JPG format on your computer.
4. Copy and paste the image into the body of text for your submission.

Example:


$$FoM = \frac{\Delta I_M}{I_S} = \frac{2.33}{\sqrt{\frac{I_S^2}{(I_S + I_B) \cdot \left[\frac{t}{\lambda}\right]}}}$$

The pasted image(s) should be able to be viewed in the "Submission" panel and then in the "Preview" once you have finalized your submission. Example:

("Shadow" effect is to show the size of the image only. We recommend you do not outline your image.)

Questions?

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