



INSTITUTE OF BIOLOGY
SRI LANKA

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Rules and Regulations

IOBSL Inter-University Biology Challenge 2020

A team-based competition for undergraduates organized by the Institute of Biology, Sri Lanka

1. All 04 team members must be current undergraduates at a state university (this will be verified and any discrepancy may lead to the disqualification of the team at any stage of the competition).
2. A university may have more than one team participating in the competition (but a student can be the member of only one team).
3. After registration, team members cannot be changed/replaced at any point in the competition.
4. The teams must adhere to the competition guidelines with regard to the deadline, general format, number of words, referencing in Stage I and if chosen for Stage II adhere to specific instructions regarding the oral presentation.
5. Written submissions must be original work of the team and all references must be clearly cited. Plagiarism in any form will lead to the disqualification of the team.
6. The submissions will be assessed based on their alignment, innovative approach, feasibility and usefulness by an independent judging panel. The written submission will be assessed in a double blind review format.
7. All correspondence related to the competition will be via email and the team is responsible to provide correct email addresses and follow up.
8. The decision of the judging panel is final and incontestable (for both Stage I and II).
9. The organizers assume no responsibility for computer related or network connection related errors or failures either technical or human in nature with regard to the team submissions.
10. The organizers reserve the right at any time during the competition to disqualify a team at its sole discretion if the said team has not adhered to the rules and regulations.
11. The winners consent that their names and photographs may be used in IOBSL related media such as, but not limited to the website, newsletter and social media.
12. Liability: The organizers of this competition shall not be liable for any loss or damage sustained by participants as a result of participating in the competition.