## Mock Study Section

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## Life Cycle of a Grant



## Peer Review: The Study Section

$>$ Scientific Review Administrator (SRA)
$>$ Experts with expertise in a given area
$>$ One primary reviewer presents the grant
$>$ One or two secondary reviewers also provide critiques
$>$ A reader(s) provides further details
$>$ All of the critiques are used to assemble a summary statement

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## $>$ Review of Initial Grant Application

## Grant Applications: Scoring

$>$ Reviewers vote to determine the priority score
$>$ Many scored grants from a study section are percentile ranked

- $0.1 \%=$ Best
- $50.0 \%=$ Worst
$>$ Institutes use percentile rankings to help make funding decisions


## What just happened?

$>$ Scored, but not fundable
$>$ What do I do?

- Read the summary statement
- Talk to Institute Program Staff
- Talk to Colleague/Mentor
- Consider options:

Revise/resubmit
Next deadline? Or later?

## What happens after the initial review?

$>$ Second level review at the Institute

- Program Director
- Grants Management
- Council Action
- Final administrative review
- Funding


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## $>$ Review of revised grant application

## Summary

$>$ Always think and write clearly
$>$ Strong data always helps
$>$ Ask questions of colleagues/NIH staff
$>$ Grants DO get funded, why not make it yours?

## Center for Scientific Review (CSR)

$>$ General Information about Review and Referral of Grants by CSR:

- Suzanne Fisher, Ph.D.
- Chief, Referral Branch
- CSR
- 301-435-0715


## Where to get more information

## $>\underline{\text { http://www.nih.gov/ }}$ (NIH Website)

## $>$ http://www.niddk.nih.gov/ (NIDDK Website)

## Questions???

