Writing & reviewing ALMA proposals

Dual-Anonymous Guidelines Quiz Answers

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I-TRAIN "Writing & Reviewing ALMA Proposals" Quiz

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* Proposals must be written following the dual anonymous review guidelines
* Basic principle is that the proposal should not reveal the proposal team
* Reviewers should focus on the proposed science, and not the proposal team

Dual-Anonymous Guidelines

Identify if the following sentences comply with the Dual-Anonymous Guidelines for ALMA Proposals.

* "Yes" means that the sentence complies with dual-anonymous guidelines
* "No" means the sentence violates the dual-anonymous guidelines
* "It depends" means that the sentence may comply with the dual-anonymous guidelines depending on the status of the data that is referred.

✓ "Figure 1 shows the CO image of the cloud from Gómez et al. (in preparation)."

- Yes
- No

Comentaris

Alternatively proposers could write: "Figure 1 shows the CO image of the cloud (private communication)."
This is a resubmission of our ongoing program. Half of the targets have been observed and we are resubmitting the proposal to observe the remaining half.

Comentaris

While proposers may note if they are resubmitting an ongoing proposal, they cannot indicate the proposal code or investigators of the previously accepted proposal. Such text is normally included in the “duplication justification” on the proposal cover sheet or the first lines of the Scientific Justification. If data are shown from the ongoing program, it must be presented in a dual-anonymous fashion. In contrast, the following example would violate the guidelines: “This is a resubmission of our ongoing program 2021.1.02045.S (PI: Smith). Half of our targets have been observed and we are resubmitting the proposal to obtain the remaining half.”

Figure 1 shows the image from the Cycle 7 ALMA program 2019.1.02045.S.”

Comentaris

It depends: If it is a public dataset, then it is correct to use this caption; if not, it should use “private communication.”
"We will combine the observations with archival data (Liu, private communication)"

- No

**Comentaris**

_Do not provide the name of the person when using “private communication”. Alternatively, write “We will combine the observations with archival data (private communication)”._

"Our sample was obtained from a recent survey (Chang et al. submitted)."

- No

**Comentaris**

_References to submitted papers are not permitted (use “private communication”). If a submitted paper has been posted on the archive (e.g, arXiv), the archive paper can be referenced per usual practices._
"We use the line identification package STAR (obtained via private communication) ..."  

- Yes  
- No  

Comentaris

The sentence follows dual-anonymous guidelines. On the contrary, the text "We use our group's line identification package STAR ..." would violate them.

Dual-Anonymous Guidelines

Examples in this quiz were kindly provided by the ALMA Proposal Handling Team.

Further guidelines are provided in the ALMA Science Portal:  
https://almascience.org/proposing/alma-proposal-review/dual-anonymous

including FAQ:  
https://almascience.org/proposing/alma-proposal-review/frequently-asked-questions