

Hello, BDI and AERI!

The Biodiscovery Institute and Advanced Environmental Research Institute will host their first joint Research EXPO on **Wednesday, May 14, 2025**. The Research EXPO team will be accepting poster and talk submissions to recognize ongoing high-impact, innovative, and educational research by students (undergrad and grad), post-doc, and faculty/staff. The poster/talk networking session will serve as an opportunity to celebrate our diverse researchers at BDI and AERI, make meaningful connections, and highlight various departments and colleges within BDI and AERI. Please review the requirements below if you are interested in submitting an abstract to be considered for a poster or talk. For any questions, please email EXPO Committee Chair Sanjeevan Rajendran (Sanjeevan.Rajendran@unt.edu) or the EXPO Committee at BDI-EXPO@unt.edu.

Eligibility

- Open to any undergraduate and graduate students, and postdoctoral researchers
- Open to any faculty/principal investigators/staff

Abstract Requirements

- Must be no more than **300** words, not including references
- References and additional resources can be included on a separate page. The title of the abstract will be printed in the program booklet.
- Should include a list of authors and co-authors, along with their department affiliations (not considered part of the 300-word limit)
- Double-spaced
- Arial or Times New Roman Font
- 12-point type size

Abstracts must be submitted through [This form - Click here](https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=khnecMYHD0jGKGvy6A5gxKNIdl-tVVLgLSmmHC-fapURUQ3MIFQSENOTUpZTTFENldNNzhPOTNERCQIQCN0PWcu)
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1. **The following abstract structure is recommended but not mandated**

- Identification of Problem and Significance
- Approach/Methods
- Results
- Conclusions

2. Considerations and Notes

- After submission of the abstract, the Research Expo Team will contact you with next steps regarding printing and presentation guideline and expectations.

3. Poster Guidelines and What to Expect

- You will be responsible for printing your own poster. You will be given 36" of space on the screen flex board
- You may create your poster in 36" x 24" or 24" x 36". Other sizes will be welcome with committee permission. Submit your request at the time of abstract submission.

Oral presentation information and requirements

Give a talk (12 min + 3 min questions) in person at the assigned date, time, and location.

Presentation guidelines

- All presenters should use PowerPoint to create their presentation (.pptx format).
- Widescreen projectors will be used in all meeting rooms. PowerPoints should be formatted in 16:9 aspect ratio.
- For presentations created on an Apple computer, please be aware of the following:
- Videos: QuickTime formats such as .mov are not native to Windows computers. Please convert videos to .mp4.
- Animations: Use simple entry animation effects such as: fly in/out, appear and dissolve.
- Fonts: Use common fonts. Pre-installed and custom fonts will not translate properly on a Windows machine.
- Keynote: If creating your presentation in Keynote, please Export as .pptx.

Important Dates:

- **Deadline to submit abstracts is March 15th, 2025.**
- Applicant notifications will be sent by March 25th or after the extended abstract deadline.
- Individuals will need to be available between 7:00 - 8:00 am on Wednesday, May 14th, 2025, to set up their poster in the Atrium of the Environmental Science Building. **Poster take down will be between 2-4pm on Thursday May, 15th.**
- If you have additional questions regarding the poster/talk networking event, please contact the committee at BDI-EXPO@unt.edu.

Free T-shirt for participants

Please fill out the survey (1 min) to receive a free T-shirt. Everyone who submits the survey will receive a T-shirt at the event on May 14th 2025.

Click here <https://forms.office.com/r/SSLwuahVzF>

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Tentative Event Schedule:

- 7 – 8 am: Breakfast/Poster preview
- 8 – 9.15 am: Welcome address
- 9.15 - 10:45 am: BDI and AERI Member Research Talks
- 10:45 – 11 am: Break
- 11 - 12:30 pm: Poster Sessions
- 12:30 - 1:15 pm: Lunch
- 1:15 - 2:30 pm: Career Panel Discussion
- 2:30 – 3 pm: Break
- 3 - 3:45 pm: Keynote Lecture
- 3:45 - 4:30 pm: Closing Comments / Awards
- 4:30 - 5:30 pm: Mixer

Warm regards,
EXPO 2025 Committee