

What Is Biophysics? Video Contest Rules and Guidelines

The Biophysical Society (BPS) is holding the What Is Biophysics? Video Contest to showcase entertaining and educational biophysics concepts and activities. The contest is open to Society members only. All entrants in the What Is Biophysics? Video Contest agree to comply unconditionally with all the provisions set out in these Rules and Guidelines. Any entrant who does not agree fully with all of the provisions of the Rules and Guidelines, will be considered ineligible for participation.

BPS shall have the right, but not the obligation, to monitor the What Is Biophysics? Video Contest and determine compliance with these Rules and Guidelines, and the right at its sole discretion to refuse and remove any film, in whole or in part, that, without limiting the foregoing, it finds to be in violation of these Rules and Guidelines or otherwise unlawful and objectionable.

Eligibility: What Is Biophysics? Video Contest is open to all current Biophysical Society members.

There is no entry fee.

Multiple submissions from the same entrant in accordance with the Rules and Guidelines are acceptable; however the same film cannot be submitted separately by multiple entrants.

1. Entry Requirements

Application Form: All entrants must complete the online application form.

Time Limit: Eligible films must be no more than 5 minutes in duration. Films exceeding the time limit will not be accepted for the What Is Biophysics? Video Contest.

Language: Films in all languages are accepted. However, entrants not in English must include subtitles in English, as BPS will not translate films.

Deadline: Entries must be uploaded to YouTube as a video response to the Call for Entries video by April 30, 2011. Late entries will not be accepted.

Subject: Entries must focus on a biophysics concept.

Permissions: Any third party material used in the video (i.e., material not owned by entrant) must include a 'grant of use' with the application. Failure to include this 'grant of use' will invalidate the application.

2. How to Enter

- **Step 1: Make Your Video**
Create a video up to **five (5)** minutes long.
- **Step 2: Upload Your Video to YouTube**
 - a. If you don't already have one, create an account on [YouTube](#).
 - b. Upload your video (View YouTube's [instructions on uploading videos](#)).
 - c. Tag your video as "**What Is Biophysics? Video Contest**" (View YouTube's [instructions on tagging videos](#))

- d. Set your video's privacy settings to "Unlisted" (View YouTube's [instructions on editing video privacy settings](#)). **Copy the video URL and save it for Step 3.**
- e. Disable comments on your video (View YouTube's [instructions on disabling comments](#)).

Step 3: Submit Your Entry to BPS

After uploading your video to YouTube, you're ready to submit your entry to the What Is Biophysics? Video Contest website. Click "[Submit Your Video](#)" and follow the instructions on the submission form.

- *Entries must be submitted by a BPS member.*
- *You will need the video URL from Step 2d above.*
- *Incomplete entries will not be eligible to win prizes in the Video Contest.*

3. Judges and Judging Criteria

Judges shall be chosen by BPS and shall consist of BPS's Membership and Education Committees. Films entered into the contest shall be judged according to: accuracy, promoting biophysics, creativity, and education.

The decisions of BPS and the Judges are final and binding, and not subject to appeal.

Description of prizes is located at www.biophysics.org/2012meeting. All winners will be notified in July.

Prizes are not transferable. Each winner will be responsible for submitting any required ethics related report to the winner's employer, or, if a government official, to the appropriate government office. Each winner will be requested to advise BPS if BPS must also submit a report to the winner's employer, or, if a government official, to the appropriate government office.

4. Public Voting

The People's Choice prize will not be picked by the Judges and using the Judging Criteria stated above, but rather by number of votes received from biophysicists and the public on the What Is Biophysics? Video Contest website. Votes submitted through the BPS website will be tallied by BPS staff.

5. Contest Entrants' Conduct

All entrants of the What Is Biophysics? Video Contest shall not submit any film(s) that in whole or in part violates or infringes in any way upon the rights of others; which is unlawful, threatening, abusive, defamatory, invasive of privacy or publicity rights; vulgar, obscene, profane, contains morbid images or otherwise objectionable material; which encourages conduct that would constitute a criminal offense; gives rise to civil liability or otherwise violate any law, including, but not limited to, HIPAA; or which contains any advertising or any solicitation with respect to products or services.

All entrants shall not modify, exploit, create derivative works, or otherwise interfere with the material submitted by other entrants. In the event of permitted copying, distribution or

publication of such material, no changes in or deletion of author attribution, trademark legend or copyright notice shall be made.

6. Authorship and Co-authorship

Films can be submitted by one BPS member (sole author) or by a BPS member on behalf of a group of individuals (co-authors).

The author(s) of the film is (are) the person(s) or group whose name(s) is (are) submitted on the application. Persons who participated in the creation and/or production of a film, but whose names were not submitted on the application, cannot be considered as authors or otherwise added as creators and/or producers after the film is submitted. Nor can they win the prizes given for the winning film in each category.

In case of a BPS member submitting on behalf of a group, the primary contact of the group must be included on the application. If the film submitted by a BPS member on behalf of a group of individuals wins a prize, the prize will be made to the BPS member to distribute as seen fit to the group.

If the same film has been submitted by more than one individual in a group through separate applications, only the first application will be eligible for the contest. The other registrations will be cancelled and their entrants will not be considered authors of the film nor will they be eligible for the prizes.

7. Third Party Rights and Clearances

Proprietary rights

Submitted films must be the original work of the entrant and must not infringe upon the copyrights, trademarks, and rights of privacy, publicity or any other proprietary rights of a person or entity, including but not limited to: location releases for footage shot at any location; name, voice and likeness releases for any person whose name, voice, likeness and/or feature appears in the film, other than the entrant(s); releases for the use of any props, set dressings and other materials used in the film; releases from any individuals participating in the production of the film and releases for any other audio and/or audio-visual materials not wholly owned by the participant(s), which are used in the film.

Permissions

If the film contains any material or elements that are not owned by the entrant(s) and/or are subject to proprietary rights of third parties, the entrant(s) hereby automatically grant(s) or warrant(s) that any third parties owning material included in the submitted film, has(ve) expressly granted to BPS the royalty-free, perpetual, irrevocable, non-exclusive right and license to use, reproduce, edit, publish, translate and distribute such material (in whole or in part) worldwide and/or to incorporate it in other works in any form, media or technology now known or hereafter developed for the full term of any copyright that may exist in such material, with the objective to promote the goals of the What Is Biophysics? Video Contest and the mission of BPS.

Burden of determination

The burden of determining that any material is not protected by copyright, trademark, rights of privacy, publicity or any other proprietary rights rests with the entrant. The

entrant shall bear the sole liability for any damage resulting from any infringement of copyrights, proprietary rights, or any other harm resulting from such a submission.

8. Termination, Cancellation, Suspension, Disqualification

BPS, reserves the right, at its sole discretion, to consider ineligible any film and disqualify the entrant(s), or to cancel, terminate, modify or suspend the What Is Biophysics? Video in whole or in part and without prior notice at any time, if it suspects, or actually finds that:

The film(s) actually or potentially infringes upon any third party's intellectual property right and/or it is discovered that What Is Biophysics? Video Contest Rules and Guidelines necessary permissions for an entered film have not been obtained (see Section 8). BPS reserves the right to verify that any intellectual property rights are not infringed and that all related permissions have been obtained.

The film does not comply with the established entry requirements and/or in the sole discretion of BPS the film contains obscene, unlawful or other objectionable material, as defined in Section 7.

The film is advertising or promoting products or services.

The entrant(s) is (are) tampering with or otherwise commit(s) fraud relating to the entry process or the operation of the What Is Biophysics? Video Contest.

The entrant(s) is (are) acting in violation of these Rules and Guidelines.

9. User Rights

Entrant grants to BPS a royalty-free, perpetual, irrevocable, non-exclusive right and license to use, display, reproduce, edit, publish, translate and distribute the submitted film (in whole or in part) worldwide and/or to incorporate it in other works in any form, media or technology now known or hereafter developed for the full term of any copyright and renewal that may exist in such material, with the objective to promote the goals of the What Is Biophysics? Video Contest or the mission of BPS.

Entrant grants to BPS the right to use submitted film to create a trailer or to splice together with other submitted films for the objective to promote the goals of the What Is Biophysics? Video Contest or the mission of BPS. Entrant agrees BPS is not required to place acknowledgement (as stated below) on a trailer or spliced together work as described in this paragraph.

Entrant grants to BPS the right to use the entrants' names, likenesses, photographs, voices, sounds and/or biographical information and films in connection with the What Is Biophysics? Video Contest and for any and all advertising, publicity and promotional purposes relating to the What Is Biophysics? Video Contest or promoting the mission of BPS. The entrant will be clearly acknowledged for any use of his/her material and his/her name will accompany any dissemination of the material he/she owns by BPS. Beyond permission granted herein and acknowledgment, BPS shall not be obliged to compensate the entrant for use of the submitted material, unless prohibited by law.

10. Disclaimer of Liability

All entrant(s) by registering with the What Is Biophysics? Video Contest agree(s) that the Biophysical Society, its agents, representatives, employees, and contractors, are released and discharged from and against all and any costs, claims, damages, liabilities and expenses of any sort arising out of, or generally relating to: submission of the material for the What Is Biophysics? Video Contest and participation in it, the use of the material by the Biophysical Society, the decisions made or actions taken by the Biophysical Society in connection to the conduct and administration of the What Is Biophysics? Video Contest and the acceptance and use on their part of any prize.

The Biophysical Society and its subsidiaries, its agents, representatives, employees, and contractors, are not responsible for technical failures of any kind; any problems or delays arising from any technical, software; equipment malfunctions, computer viruses, or congestion; unavailability of the What Is Biophysics? Video Contest Web site; any other technical, equipment, or human errors of any kind with regards to the administration of the What Is Biophysics? Video Contest; or any damage or alteration to the entrants' film that may occur in connection with the uploading or display of the film. Also, the Biophysical Society is not liable for any failure to screen the entered films on the Internet or at any venue.

The entrant(s) specifically acknowledge(s) that the Biophysical Society is not liable for the defamatory, offensive or illegal conduct of other entrant(s) or of comments made on YouTube or anywhere the film is posted and that the risk of injury from the foregoing rests entirely with the entrant(s); also the entrant(s) waive(s) any right to seek injunctive action or other equitable relief relating to any claim against the Biophysical Society and its agents, representatives, employees, and contractors

11. Changes to the Rules and Guidelines

BPS shall have the right at any time and without prior notice to modify, suspend or terminate the What Is Biophysics? Video Contest or the Rules and Guidelines, or any part thereof; and/ or impose new rules or guidelines, if it considers appropriate. Such changes, modifications, additions or deletions shall be effective immediately upon notice thereof, which may be given by means including, but not limited to, posting on the What Is Biophysics? Video Contest Web site, sending electronic or conventional mail to the entrants, or by any other means by which the entrants obtain notice thereof.

12. Disputes and Governing Law

By participating in the What Is Biophysics? Video Contest, you forever and irrevocably release, indemnify, and hold harmless, BPS and its officers, directors, employees, agents and all others associated with the development and execution of the Video Contest from and against any injury, loss or damage caused or claimed to be caused by your participation in the Video Contest and/or the acceptance, awarding, receipt, use and/or misuse of the prize, including without limitation personal injury, death, and/or property damage. You agree that BPS is not responsible for any warranty, representation, or guarantee, expressed or implied, in fact or in law, relating to the Video Contest and/or the awarding of any prize. In the event that the preceding release and indemnity clause is determined by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or void for any reason, you agree that, by entering the Video Contest, (i) any and all disputes, claims, and causes of

action in connection with the Video Contest, or any prizes awarded, shall be resolved individually without resort to any form of class action; (ii) any claims, judgments and awards shall be limited to actual out-of-pocket costs incurred, including costs associated with entering the Video Contest, but in no event attorney's fees; and (iii) you hereby waive all rights to claim, punitive, incidental or consequential damages and any and all rights to have damages multiplied or otherwise increased and any other damages, other than damages for actual out-of-pocket expenses. You agree that all issues and questions concerning the construction, validity, interpretation and enforceability of these Rules and Guidelines, or the rights and obligations of BPS or entrants in connection with the Video Contest, shall be governed by the laws of the State of Maryland, without giving effect to any choice of law or conflict of law rules. You consent to the exclusive jurisdiction of the state and Federal courts in the State of Maryland.