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### Progress Report Grading Rubric

#### Criteria for evaluation

*Report is complete* (contains cover sheet, background & significance, at least three specific aims, preliminary results, future plans, and appendix/six figures and one table). #/5 points

*Background and significance* section clearly identifies a research gap to be addressed by the research project, offers relevant literature to contextualize that gap, and creates a strong case for continuation of this research. #/15 points

*Specific Aims* are concisely presented, are in a logical order, and are feasible. #/10 points

*Preliminary Results* are clearly presented, connected to the specific aims, as well as to the research gap identified in background and significance. #/20 points

*Plans* offered to address remaining specific aims logically flow from preliminary results and are feasible. #/10 points

*Figures and table* are clearly labeled and described, are free from clutter or visual distractions, and correspond to references to them in the body of the report. #/20 points

*Overall quality of the writing* shows the writer's control over his/her prose, including concise and clear wording, effective use of headings and subheadings, and avoidance of errors. #/20 points

*TOTAL: #/100 points*