Instructions for Work in Progress Presentations
For your WIP sessions, prepare a short PowerPoint presentation that should be about 10 minutes long. Here are some helpful tips for what to include:

Disclosures:
- Are there any real or perceived conflicts of interest for anyone involved in the project?
- If this is human subjects research, COMIRB protocol number?
- If animals are involved, IACUC?

Background:
- Why am I personally interested in this topic?
- What is the literature in this topic area?
  - Generally talk about why this is important
  - What do we already know?
- What information gaps are missing?
- What is the historical context for your project?
- If you are doing an intervention, what interventions have been tried before? What were the results?

Specific details about your project:
- What is the specific question you are trying to answer?
  - What are the specific aims of your project?
  - What are your hypotheses?
- Methodology
  - How are you going to (did you) answer your research question?
  - Give specific details
    - Who?
    - Population, cell lines, animals, etc.
    - What?
      - Survey, clinical trial, systematic review, lab technique, art medium
    - Where?
    - How?
      - Mail, in-person, in lab, which primary resources

Accomplishments:
- What have you been able to do thus far?
- What roadblocks have you encountered?
  - What are the lessons learned from this?
- If you have results—
  - What are the results?
  - What do they mean?
  - How do you interpret them in the context of the existing literature?

Future directions:
- Detailed outline of what is left and needs to be done.
  - If this is a Work In Progress, what are my next steps?
  - If this is a capstone presentation, highlight future research/scholarly activity in this area.

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