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	Project Summary/Abstract	1 page (I-131 & I-61)
	Project Narrative	2-3 sentences (I-61)
	Bibliography & References Cited	No page limit (I-62)
	Facilities & Other Resources	No page limit (I-131 & I-62)
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	Biosketch (version B)	4 pages per person (I-132)
	Mentor/Co-Mentor Current & Pending Support • Only list support relevant to K candiate's research plan	4 pages per person (I-133)
	Detailed (R&R) Budget • Budget justification for all costs	No page limit (I-135)
	Candidate Information (sections 2-4) • Candidate Background • Career Goals & Objectives • Career Development/Training Activities	12 pages with research strategy – section 11 (I-141)
	Training in the Responsible Conduct of Research	1 page (I-142)
	Statements by Mentor, Co-Mentors, Consultants, Contributors	6 pages (I-143)
	Description of Institutional Environment	1 page (I-145)
	Institutional Commitment	1 page (I-146)
	Specific Aims	1 page (I-147)
	Research Strategy • Significance • Innovation • Approach	12 pages with candidate information – sections 2-4 (I-147)
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	Select Agent Research (if applicable)	No page limit (I-152)
	Consortium Contractual Arrangements (if applicable)	No page limit (I-153)
	Resource Sharing Plan (if applicable)	No page limit (I-153)

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	Appendix (if applicable)	10 max (I-154)
	Cover letter • Required for mentored applications • Must include referee list • Request IC or SRG assignment	No page limit (I-136 & I-92)

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