Creating your 3MT™ slide

Before you start work on your slide, you should take the following rules into account:

• a single static PowerPoint slide is permitted;
• no slide transitions, animations or 'movement' of any description are permitted;
• your slide is to be presented from the beginning of your oration; and
• no additional electronic media (e.g. sound and video files) are permitted.

An engaging visual presentation can make or break any oration, so you want your slide to be legible, clear and concise. You may like to consider some of the following suggestions.

**LESS IS MORE**
Text and complicated graphics can distract your audience – you don’t want them to read your slide rather than listen to your 3MT.

Slide: Matthew Thompson, 2011

**PERSONAL TOUCHES CAN BE EFFECTIVE**
Personal touches can allow your audience to understand the impact of your research.

Slide: Vicki Metzis, 2010

**CREATIVITY DRIVES INTEREST**
You do not have to have a slide, so do not rely on your slide to convey your message – it should simply complement your spoken oration.

Slide: Ryan Stafford, 2011

**WORK YOUR MESSAGE**
Think about how your slide might be able to assist with the format and delivery of your presentation – is there a metaphor that helps explain your research?

Slide: Dr Michael Imelfort, 2008