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Figure 1. Sample Table. This table provides a sample layout of the appropriate format for table submissions.

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