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AN OPPORTUNITY TO CONSIDER YOUR VIEWS ON EMERGING TECHNOLOGIES

A GOOD DISCUSSION!

A FUN WAY TO LEARN SOMETHING NEW!

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This is an opportunity for a group of 2-100 adults to learn about a new technology, discuss its risks and benefits, and decide how or how not to implement it. Over the course of 90 minutes, participants learn how mosquitoes could be engineered to reduce malaria transmission, discuss related ethical and societal issues, consider the viewpoints of others, and form a plan about whether and how to release the mosquitoes using the information they learn, their background knowledge, and their values.

WHY SHOULD I HOST THIS EVENT?

Hosting the “Should We Engineer the Mosquito?” forum is a way to involve people with various backgrounds, ages, and experiences in a discussion about malaria, the most widespread mosquito-borne disease, which affects about 200 million people per year. Despite its prevalence, malaria is a disease that is hard to fight. By participating in this forum, people will learn enough about engineering mosquitoes to evaluate a potentially life-changing technology!

