## **Run Description**

For this run, we used Terrier-v5.2, an open source Information Retrieval (IR) platform. All the documents (title and abstracts) used in this study were first pre-processed before indexing and this involved tokenising the text and stemming each token using the full Porter stemming algorithm. Stopword removal was enabled and we used Terrier-v5.2 stopword list. We used PL2 Divergence from Randomness term weighting model in Terrier-v5.2 IR platform to score and rank the documents. The hyper-parameter for PL2 was set to its default value of b = 1.0. During retrieval we used only the query in the topic. As improvement, We used the Terrier-4.0 Divergence from Randomness (DRF) Bose - Einstein 1 (Bo1) model for query expansion to select the 10 most informative terms from the top 3 ranked documents after the first pass retrieval (on the local collection). We then performed a second pass retrieval on the local collection with the new expanded query.



Per-topic difference from median bpref for all Round 1 runs

Per-topic difference from median NDCG@10 for all Round 1 runs



Per-topic difference from median P@5 for all Round 1 runs