

CALL FOR PAPERS AND POSTERS

2011 AAP ANNUAL MEETING

Sheraton Wild Horse Pass, Chandler, AZ

April 12-16, 2011

ORAL PAPER PRESENTATIONS

The intent of these oral presentations is to convey the nature of high quality research practice to the meeting participants. These paper presentations will allow researchers to present their theoretical perspectives, the process by which they developed their research questions, the methodology and statistical analysis in detail, and to allow audience members to participate in interactive discussion. Papers for this session should be experimental in nature, and will be chosen not only for their intrinsic scientific merit, but also for their educational value in illustrating the research process.

DISPLAY POSTERS

Each poster will be presented in the usual format on 4 x 6 poster board in the exhibit area. The poster presentation is an exhibit providing a forum for a one-to-one, in-depth discussion using narrative and visual material to display and communicate the objectives, methods, results and conclusions of a specific study. Use of visual material such as photographs, charts, and diagrams is very important. The Presenting Author, as the resource person or consultant, should be present at specified times on the days of presentation to engage in discussion with interested individuals.

Deadline for online submission of all abstracts is 11:59 PM (EST) October 15, 2010.

REVIEW PROCESS

Abstracts prepared according to the instructions and received in the AAP Office by 11:59 p.m. (EST) on October 15, 2010 via online submission at www.physiatry.org, will be independently peer reviewed on a "blind evaluation" (no name) basis. Only the abstract will be available to the reviewers for evaluation to determine merit for presentation. The criteria for reviewing abstracts include: scientific merit, relevance, originality, and clarity. Evidence of completion of the project (i.e. specific results data) should be included in the abstract.

The educational value of the proposed abstract and the extent to which it presents new and significant information will be considered. Selections will be made by the AAP Program Committee. All authors will receive electronic notification (email) indicating acceptance or rejection of the abstract submitted. The authors should receive electronic notification (email) by November 26, 2010. Statements made in presentations are the sole responsibility of the authors. Any statement made should not be viewed as, or representative of, any formal stance or position taken on any product, subject, or issue by the AAP.

Authors presenting a paper or a poster MUST register for the AAP 2011 Annual Meeting by 11:59 p.m. (EST) February 11, 2011 to display their poster or make a presentation. Registration forms will be published online at www.physiatry.org

No requests for refunds from poster and/or paper presenters will be accepted on or after February 12, 2011.

Questions may be sent to Bernadette Rensing: BRensing@physiatry.org

SUBMISSION POLICIES & PROCEDURES

- The Submitting Author must register to submit the abstract online via www.physiatry.org
- All the other co-authors will be notified of the online abstract submission via email.
- The Submitting Author plus every co-author on each abstract must (1) register online to participate in the abstract submission process, (2) agree to the terms and agreements, including the Disclosure and Copyright Transfer, and (3) approve the final abstract.
- One of the authors must be identified during the online submission process as the Presenting Author.
- Faxes and E-mails containing abstracts and award papers will not be considered.
- The number of abstracts to be presented at the 2011 Annual Meeting has been limited to 350.

ABSTRACT CONTENT

- The abstract must report original material that has not been published or presented elsewhere prior to the 2011 AAP Annual Meeting.
- All abstracts submitted for research studies must be structured to summarize the research: **Objectives, Design, Results and Conclusions**. The objectives should contain the background and purpose of the study. The design section should explain key methods, procedures, interventions, and any controls in the study. This allows the reader to infer limitations of the data. Abstracts containing statements such as “data to be presented” or “the significance of the findings will be discussed” are not acceptable. The conclusions should explain the meaning and importance of the results, and perhaps state any new question identified. Abstracts for Case Reports must be structured in the following four categories: **Case Diagnosis, Case Description, Discussion, and Conclusions**. Brief Reports and “Other” categories, such as reviews or commentaries, must be submitted in a single paragraph traditional format.
- The text in the abstract must be limited to 300 words or less. References, Tables, and Figures may not be included in the abstract submission but may be included in the presentation.
- No identifying author information, and no mention of any location or institution within the abstract text.

EVALUATION

- Each abstract will receive a blinded (masked) review by the committee.
- The AAP reserves the right to limit the number of abstracts submitted by the same author.

DEADLINES

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- Those accepted and rejected will be notified by November 26, 2010.
- One author on each abstract must be identified as the Presenting Author during the online submission process and must register for the 2011 Annual Meeting prior to 11:59 p.m. (EST) on February 11, 2011.

PUBLICATION

- Abstracts presented at the AAP Annual Meeting will be published as an online supplement at www.AJPMR.com – the official website of the American Journal of Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation. This online version of the Journal is indexed and searchable on Medline and other major medical databases such as OVID.
- Failure to comply with the submission policies and procedures will result in the abstract being withdrawn from the meeting and the Journal.