



Call for Abstracts- Scientific Poster Presentations 2020 AOCPMR Mid Year Meeting and Scientific Seminar

The American Osteopathic College of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation (AOCPMR) is currently accepting abstract submissions for Scientific Display Posters for the 2020 AOCPMR Mid Year Meeting and Scientific Seminar, April 30th - May 3rd, in Knoxville, Tennessee.

Specifically, the scientific poster session will take place on Saturday, May 2nd, 2020. Posters will need to be onsite by Friday, May 1st 2019. The scientific poster presentation provides a forum for researchers to discuss the objectives, methods, results and conclusions of a specific study with individuals in the field of PMR. Monetary prizes will be awarded to the top three posters at the meeting. Accepted abstracts will also be eligible for publication on the AOCPMR website. All accepted primary authors will give a brief, Grand Rounds style presentation of their abstract before judges at the seminar. The first place winners of both the Resident and Student abstract competition tracts will have the opportunity to give a podium presentation in front of the Mid-Year Meeting General Session attendees on Sunday, May 3rd. If you have any questions, please feel free to email Allison Warren, the Executive Director of the AOCPMR, at allison.warren@aocpmr.org.

Abstract Submission Guidelines

Submission Policies and Procedures

- To be eligible for acceptance, you must be a active Resident or Student member of the AOCPMR, and must register to attend the 2020 Mid-Year Meeting.
- Only **one** abstract poster per author as “first author” will be accepted. No exceptions.
- Original abstracts that have been presented at other meetings will be considered. Prior published material will **not** be accepted.
- Individuals submitting abstracts to the AOCPMR must be available, if selected, to present the poster display with a brief oral presentation before our judges at the AOCPMR Mid Year Meeting Scientific Poster Session on Saturday, May 2nd, 2020 in Knoxville, Tennessee.
- Primary responsibility for compliance with any disclosures or other requirements resides solely with researchers and/or research sponsors.
- Three documents must be submitted:
 1. Abstract Application (must be submitted through online application form)
 2. Abstract (must be submitted through online application form)
 3. Assignment of Copyright & Author Disclosure Form (must be submitted through online application form)



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Abstract Content

- **Research Studies**
 - Objectives: contain the background and purpose of the study
 - Design: explain key methods, procedures, interventions and any controls in the study
 - Summary of Results: adequate to support conclusions
 - Conclusions: explain the meaning and importance of the results and state any new questions identified
- **Case Reports**
 - Case Diagnosis: introduction to the case
 - Case Description
 - Discussion
 - Conclusions

Format

- No identifying author information, mention of any location or institution within the abstract text.
- Where human or animal subjects were involved, Institutional Review Board (IRB) approval must be obtained and noted.
- Abstract text should be a minimum of 150 words with a maximum of 450 words. Tables and Figures may not be included in the abstract submission but may be included in the scientific poster presentation.
- Abbreviations (unless spelled out first), acronyms, footnotes and references may not be used in the abstract.

Review Process

- Abstracts will be blindly reviewed and rated by a committee of physiatrists, researchers and educators.
- The criteria for reviewing abstracts include: scientific merit, relevance, originality and clarity.
- Abstract decision letters will be sent via email to the submitting author.

Publication

The abstract will be considered for publication on the official website of the AOCPMR. Abstracts not accepted for presentation will not be published, will not be disclosed outside of AOCPMR and persons associated with the selection process. Authors should proofread abstracts carefully to avoid errors before they are submitted. Editors make needed typographical changes to the abstract.

Deadlines/Timeline

1. **February 1st, 2020, 5pm EST:** Abstracts, Abstract Application, and Copyright/Disclosure form due
2. **February 29th, 2020, 5pm EST:** AOCPMR will notify primary authors of acceptance/non-acceptance
3. **March 31st, 2020, 5pm EST:** Accepted authors must submit edits/updates to their abstract and a PDF of their poster, which may be published on the AOCPMR website
4. **May 2nd, 2020, 12pm EST:** Posters must be on-site for display.
5. **March 2nd, 2020:** Scientific Poster Session, 4:15pm EST: All presenters must arrive, be registered, and be present at their poster.