

SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

General Instructions

1. Read the submission guidelines
2. Register for the conference using the registration form
3. Submit your abstract using the abstract submission form
4. Send all completed documents to: yrf@rohcg.on.ca

Preparing your Abstract Submission

Submission Format

- Copy and paste or type text directly into supplied PDF submission form.
- You must use Microsoft Word, Adobe Acrobat PDF, Rich Text or HTML format.
- Keep abstract contents to no more than 250 words.

Abstract Content

Abstracts must include results that have not been published or presented in any journal. Please limit submissions to one abstract per presenting author.

1. The abstract must demonstrate scientific merit and significance.
2. Please use generic rather than the trade name for drugs.
3. The following abstract structure is recommended (the structure can be adapted as needed to fit abstract content, e.g., case studies).

Background - introduction to the problem under investigation and hypothesis.

Methods - the experimental methods or protocols used to accomplish the research.

Results - the key points derived from the experiment. Enough data should be presented to allow the reviewers to judge the content.

Conclusions - should be supported by the data presented.

If accepted, abstracts will be reproduced for the meeting program exactly as entered. Please check the first and last names of authors and affiliation information carefully. Review your abstract for typographical and spelling errors, and scientific sense.

Peer Review

All abstracts will be submitted for peer review. They will be evaluated on their content, quality, and appropriateness to overall conference priorities. The final decision on presentation acceptance for individual submissions remains the prerogative of the Young Researchers' Conference Scientific Committee.

Poster Presentation Guidelines

Please note that the presenting author should be available for questions and discussion during designated poster presentation times.

Posters should fit on a 3.5' feet wide by 3 feet high space.

Strategies for successful poster presentation:

- Make sure all printed material is readable from about 3'.
- Keep the text to a minimum.
- Graphic information is often easier to process quickly than text information.

Oral Presentation Guidelines

Submitting Young Researchers are invited to apply for the opportunity to give an oral presentation describing their research. Oral presentations will be twelve minutes in length followed by a three minute question and answer period. Abstracts under consideration for oral presentation will be reviewed on the basis of scientific merit and originality of research. Authors of exemplary abstracts will receive invitations to participate in the conference as an oral presenter. There will be a total of eight abstracts selected for oral presentation by the Scientific Committee.

Rules Regarding Conflict of Interest

Authors of scientific oral or poster presentations who have entered into a financial relationship with sponsoring companies or organizations about whose products or services they are reporting must disclose this information. If such a financial arrangement is known to the authors, a disclosure statement must be placed at the end of the Abstract.

Awards

Cash prizes will be presented for outstanding presentations in the categories of Best Oral Presentation, Best Basic Research Poster, Best Clinical Research Poster, and Best Undergraduate Student Poster. Should you wish to be considered for an award you must select the option on the abstract submission form and during the conference you must be available to respond to questions from judges during the designated poster viewing time. Separate panels of judges will evaluate posters in each category and select the winners. Awards will be presented at the end of the day.

If you are unable to submit your abstract via the abstract submission form or you have any other questions or concerns please contact:

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