



## Call for Abstracts

The ISSCR welcomes abstracts from scientists, physicians and researchers in all sectors, including academia, industry, government, and education.

- We do not accept advertisement of commercial products or services or clinical case studies
- Oral abstract submissions (submit 4 December, 2019 through 6 February, 2020) will be considered for an eight (8) minute presentation during a plenary or concurrent session
- Poster abstract submissions (submit 4 December, 2019 through 6 February 2020) will be considered for presentation of a poster for one hour during one of the meeting's poster sessions. Posters are on display for one meeting day
- Late-breaking abstracts submissions (submit 18 February through 8 April, 2020) will be considered for poster presentations only, and will *not* be eligible for Travel & Merit Awards

### Abstract Submission Tips and Tools

Read "[Let me Speak! A Reviewers' Guide to Writing a successful Meeting Abstract](#)" from *Stem Cell Reports*

Read our helpful [tips for writing a compelling abstract](#)

FAQs

### Deadlines & Fees

All prices in USD. Non-refundable.

#### **Regular Abstracts: \$75**

Submission open from 4 December, 2019 to 6 February, 2020

Presentation notifications sent by 1 April, 2020

Oral presenters must accept AND register by 8 April, 2020

Poster presenters must accept AND register by 29 April, 2020

Poster numbers sent by 8 May, 2020

#### **Late-Breaking Abstracts: \$110**

Submission open from 18 February to 8 April, 2020

Presentation notifications sent by 26 April, 2020

Late-breaking poster presenters must accept AND register by 6 May, 2020

Poster numbers sent by 13 May, 2020



### **Awards for Travel, Merit, & Posters: No fee**

All awards: Must be an ISSCR TRAINEE member by 6 February, 2020 to be considered.

Travel awards apply during regular abstract submission 4 December, 2019 to 6 February, 2020

Travel award notifications sent by 16 March, 2020

Travel award winners must accept AND register by 29 April, 2020

## Abstract Requirements

- Substantial experimental, calculated, or theoretical results included.
- Adheres to the principles in the [ISSCR Guidelines for Stem Cell Research and Clinical Translation](#) .
- Results are the work of the listed author(s).
- Adheres to [Abstract Submission Agreement](#) .
- Failure to comply with these terms constitutes grounds for abstract rejection.

## Abstract Submission Overview

- Helpful [tips for writing a compelling abstract](#) .
- Review the [detailed instructions](#) and [Frequently Asked Questions](#) before submitting.
- Average submission may take up to 20 minutes when materials are pre-formatted
- Edits are allowed until submission deadline.
- Abstracts are not peer-reviewed, but if included in the Program Guide or Abstract Book, are citable.
- Only regular abstracts, not late-breaking abstracts, are evaluated for oral presentations and/or travel, merit, and poster awards.

By submitting an abstract to be considered for the ISSCR Annual Meeting, the individual agrees to:

- Adhere to [deadlines for submission and acceptance](#).
- [Register](#) to attend the meeting if accepted.
- Pay abstract submission fee (separate from registration fee).

## Step-by-Step Instructions for Abstract Submission Site

Title:

- Must be in all uppercase letters (ALL CAPS)
- No more than 175 characters (including spaces)



- If a tissue type is in the title, it should include the species used (e.g. MOUSE RETINA, HUMAN MUSCLE)

### Submission Type: (choose one)

#### **Oral** (submit 4 December, 2019 through 6 February, 2020)

- To be considered for an eight (8) minute presentation during a concurrent session. A small number of abstracts will be selected to present an 8 minute talk during a plenary session. Submitters must indicate their interest in these plenary talks.
- If the abstract is not selected for an oral presentation, the accepted abstract is automatically considered for a poster presentation.
- Abstracts selected for an oral presentation are not also presented as a poster.

#### **Poster** (submit 4 December, 2019 through 6 February, 2020)

- To be considered for presentation of a poster for one hour during one of the meeting's poster sessions.
- Posters are on display for one meeting day.
- Posters submitted in this time frame are grouped by topic area in the poster and exhibit hall.
- The poster should display text and illustrative material (e.g. photos, tables, charts, etc.).

#### **Late-Breaking** (submit 18 February, 2020 through 8 April, 2020)

- Only poster presentations accepted.

### Presenter Trainee Status:

- For each abstract, the submitter must indicate if the presenting author is a trainee (post-doctoral fellow or currently enrolled in an undergraduate, graduate or medical degree program).

## Task List for Each Submission:

### Abstract Submission Agreement

- The submitter must indicate their understanding and acceptance of the Abstract Submission Agreement.

### Presenting Author:

- Each abstract must identify one presenting author who will register and attend the meeting using first name, last name, city, state, country, email, gender, institution/company, and career status (select one option):
  - Trainee: post-doctoral fellow, graduate, undergraduate, or medical student
  - Early career investigator: independent group leader for seven (7) years or less
  - Senior investigator: independent group leader for more than eight (8) years



- Other: technician, staff scientist, etc
- A presenting author may present a maximum of three (3) poster presentations and one (1) oral presentation during the meeting.
- The submitter will automatically be listed as the presenter. Verify all in demographic information of the presenter. If the abstract submitter is NOT the presenting author, you must remove the submitter's name and update the correct information.
- No changes to an abstract's presenting author will be accepted after 6 May, 2020.

### Co-Author(s):

Each abstract may have a maximum of 24 co-authors, and must list for each individual: first name, last name, city, state, country, email, and institution/company. Department and institution names MUST be entered identically for all authors who share them on the abstract.

### Abstract Details:

- Submission Topic: Abstracts will be reviewed and considered for oral presentations within the topics below. Choose the best fitting topic for the abstract:

Ethical, Legal and Social Issues; Education and Outreach	Musculoskeletal
New Technologies	Hematopoietic system
Germline	Immune system
Early embryo	Endothelial Cells and Hemangioblasts
Neural	Epithelial
Eye and Retina	Endodermal lineage- Pancreas, Liver, Kidney
Cardiac	Adipose and Connective Tissue
	Placenta and Umbilical Cord Derived Cells

Submission Sub-Topics: These are the four core themes carried out through the annual meeting. Please choose the best fitting subtopic for your abstract

1. **Tissue stem cells and regeneration:** includes stem cells and organ development and maintenance, stem cell niches, and stem cells and cancer
2. **Understanding and regulating the basis of cellular identity:** includes epigenetics and genetic regulation and mechanisms of reprogramming
3. **Modeling development and disease:** includes organoids
4. **Road to the clinic, tissue engineering, and cellular therapy:** includes ethical and societal issues not specific to other themes

### Additional Abstract Questions:

- Does the research described include a clinical trial or other experimental treatment? This excludes research using cell lines or tissues obtained using proper consent.
- Does this abstract include work with non-mammalian model organisms? This question is for information gathering only, it does not affect abstract review.



Travel Award consideration:

### ISSCR Travel Awards

The ISSCR Travel Awards are meant to help defray the cost of attending the annual meeting but will not cover all the costs. Travel stipends will be dispersed based on the quality of the abstract submission as well as economic need. To be considered for a travel award, candidates must be an ISSCR member by 6 February, 2020

- Only trainee submitters (post-doctoral fellow, graduate, undergraduate, or medical students) who submit abstracts during the regular abstract submission timeline and are ISSCR trainee members are eligible.
- To apply, select your interest for Travel Award consideration during the online abstract submission process:

### Abstract Text:

- Abstracts must be no more than 2,000 characters, not including spaces and written as one condensed paragraph.
- Abstract text should NOT include section titles (e.g., methods, results, etc.), tables, graphs, charts, diagrams, authors, references, or acknowledge funding sources.

### Funding Source:

- Limited to 200 characters with spaces, submitters may include funding source information that will appear in the print and electronic abstract publication.

### Keywords:

- Include 3 keywords to describe the research in the abstract. These will be published with the abstract to help attendees navigate the abstracts.

### Plenary Oral Consideration (Oral Submissions Only):

A small number of abstract selected speakers will be included in the plenary program. The Program Committee will consider the top reviewed abstracts for plenary talks. Oral submitters must indicate if the abstract should be considered for a plenary oral presentation.

### Payment:

- All prices in USD. Non-refundable
- Payment must be made via credit card.
  - Each regular abstract submission is \$75.
  - Late-Breaking abstract submission fee is \$110.