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Presentation Categories

Oral
Oral presentations are 10 minutes in length (including time for question and answer). If your abstract is selected for an oral presentation, you will be notified of your presentation’s date and time. In the event that the designated presenting author is unable to attend, it is the author’s responsibility to assign a co-author to present and to contact appropriate staff (see AAOMS Staff Contact below) regarding the presenting author change. Be sure to include the new presenting author’s name, email address and contact phone number in your message. Please note: edits to authors must be received prior to July 6th for inclusion in the printed meeting program.

Posters
Once accepted, all poster authors must submit an electronic file of the poster which will be viewable online from any device with an internet connection. Authors will also have an assigned poster board which will be available during the meeting. Posters will be available for three days (Thursday, Friday, and Saturday) in the Poster Session area. If your abstract is selected for a poster presentation, you will be notified of the judging date and time. The presenting author should plan to be available to answer questions from the judges during the designated time. In the event that the designated presenting author is unable to attend, it is the author’s responsibility to assign a co-author to present and to contact appropriate staff (see AAOMS Staff Contact below) regarding the presenting author change. Be sure to include the new presenting author’s name, email address and contact phone number in your message. Please note: edits to authors must be received prior to July 6th for inclusion in the printed meeting program. Beginning in August, poster authors will be required to upload their electronic files to the hosting site, which is will provided by email. Failure to upload poster files in a timely manner will result in exclusion from the program.

Presentation Preference
The Committee on Research Planning & Technology Assessment (CRPTA) will consider presentation preference when planning the program. Presentation preference indicates that the authors do not want an abstract considered for any other type of presentation. The committee reserves the right of final decision.

Topic Selection
New this year! The 2018 Annual Meeting will feature 10 half-day clinical tracks. All oral or poster submission will be incorporated into the tracks and should fit into the following topics: anesthesia, cleft & craniofacial surgery, cosmetic maxillofacial surgery, dental implants, dentoalveolar, head and neck, orthognathic, pediatrics, reconstruction (includes bone & biomaterials and soft tissue), TMJ, and trauma management.

AAOMS Staff Contacts
For questions and/or to report a change of the presenting author, please contact staff below:

Oral Abstracts and Poster Sessions for the AAOMS General Session: Shannon Murray- Shannonm@aaoms.org

Requirements for Submission
Abstracts for the AAOMS Annual Meeting must be submitted online through the abstract submission site available at https://aaoms.confex.com/aaoms/am1810/abstract/cfp.cgi.
Prior Publication and Embargo Policy
Material on which the abstract is based must NOT be published before presentation, and abstracts must NOT be published before or during the AAOMS Annual Meeting on October 8-13, 2018. If an abstract has been submitted for publication, authors must instruct their editors NOT to publish the abstract until after the Annual Meeting. Therefore, abstracts are embargoed from the time of submission, with the exception of submissions to the Journal of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery (JOMS). Not complying with this policy will be judged on a case by case basis and may result in imposing a sanction on the individual and/or institution.

Membership Requirements
Authors are not required to be members of the AAOMS.

Disclosure Requirements
As a provider of continuing medical education through the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME), it is the AAOMS’ policy to ensure balance, independence, objectivity, and scientific rigor in all of its educational activities. AAOMS policy requires that everyone who is in a position to influence educational activities must disclose their relevant conflicts of interest. The presenting author must ensure that ALL co-authors provide current disclosure information along the submission of the abstract.

Ethics
For clinical trials, details of ethical committee approval and the type of informed consent should be stated. Patients’ and volunteers’ names, initials, and hospital numbers should not be used.

Outcomes
All oral abstract and poster submissions must be evidence-based and must include outcomes data in order to be considered for acceptance.
Writing Standards

Contents
All abstracts (oral or poster) must contain the following information:
1. Statement of the problem
2. Materials and methods
3. Methods of data analysis
4. Results
5. Outcomes Data
6. Conclusions
7. 2 references

Data should be summarized in the abstract. It is not satisfactory to say that “data will be presented.” Do not include subtitles (e.g. methods, results) in the abstract body.

Language
All abstracts must be written in English.

Character Count
Abstracts should be limited to 600 words. Small data tables and images are acceptable; however, they do reduce the word count of the entire abstract.
Review Process

All general session abstracts are blinded prior to review by the Committee on Research Planning and Technology Assessment (CRPTA).

Abstracts are reviewed based on the following criteria:

- Clear statement of the problem
- Description of the materials and methods employed
- Clear explanation of results
- Include outcomes data
- Relevant conclusion

The number of abstracts selected will be restricted by the format of the meeting. Selection will be based on the quality and content of the abstracts as judged by the committee as well as the basis of scientific merit and documentation.

Annual Meeting abstracts will be accepted into one of two categories, oral or poster, or not accepted. Notifications will be sent via e-mail to presenting authors only. Be careful to check your SPAM filters if you do not receive you notification.

All authors will be notified on or near May 16, 2018.
Accepted Abstracts

Required Paperwork
Presenting authors of accepted abstracts will be required to submit an agreement form. All required paperwork will be distributed and submitted electronically to the presenting author.

Publication
Accepted abstracts will be published, as submitted, in the online version of the Educational Summaries and Outlines, a supplement to the Journal of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery unless withdrawn by the deadline. Abstracts should be carefully written and edited prior to submission.

Meeting Registration
The presenting author of an accepted abstract must register and pay all required registration fees to attend the Annual Meeting. AAOMS resident members and/or dental students can qualify for free meeting registration. International residents should pay the appropriate registration fee.

All other expenses including transportation, meals and lodging are the responsibility of the attendee.

Awards
Abstracts presented in the Annual Meeting general session oral or poster category are eligible for awards. The oral and poster session will be overseen by a team of judges. Selection of award winners will be determined by the judging team based on a pre-determined set of criteria.
Instructions for Submission

2. Click Begin a Submission, or use the login fields to access an existing submission. Items indicated with an asterisk (*) are required.
3. **Author’s Acceptance of Responsibility**: Please read the Author’s Acceptance of Responsibility and click each box to agree with each statement.
4. **Abstract Title**: Enter the title of the abstract in the field provided. Make note to follow the provided example of a properly formatted title.
5. **Preferred Presentation Format**: The Committees responsible for judging submissions will consider presentation preference when planning the program. Presentation preference indicates that the authors do not want an abstract considered for any other type of presentation. The committee reserves the right of final decision.
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8. **Abstract Body**: Click “Copy and Paste” to begin entering the abstract or click “Upload Method” to upload an html or htm file. Make abstracts as informative as possible, including a brief statement of the problem, the materials and methods used, the methods of data analysis, the results observed, outcomes data and the conclusions based upon the results. Data should be summarized in the abstract. It is not satisfactory to say that “data will be presented.” Do not include subtitles (e.g. methods, results) in the abstract body.
9. **Word Count**: Abstracts are limited to 600 words.
10. **Create or Edit Table**: Simple tables may be included if they fit within the size constraints of the electronic system. Use the Insert/Edit Table button to create a new table. Tables created using the submission system can have a maximum of 10 columns and 10 rows. **Note**: Tables cannot be copy/paste into the abstract. Tables must be created using the create table function.
11. **Disclosure**: In the Add or Edit section click the link under the “Relationships?” column. If an author has a financial interest or other relationship with the manufacturer or provider of any oral and maxillofacial surgery related drug, device or service, you must document the relationship by selecting Yes. The first column lists “Organization Name” and the second row lists “Relationship”.. If the author does not have anything to disclose, select the No button. If the same CME disclosure applies to other roles that an author or speaker are playing at the AAOMS Annual Meeting they may check boxes for those roles that apply. **Note**: This step is required for all authors on each abstract submitted. It is the presenting author’s responsibility that all co-authors provide current disclosure information along the submission of the abstract. After completing each disclosure click Submit. Once disclosures have been completed for each author, click the Save and Continue button.
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using the menu on the left side of the window. Submitted abstracts may be edited online up until the submission deadline. Upon submission, you will receive an auto-generated email that will contain your login information should you wish to edit your submission prior to March 25, 2018.