



## Abstract Submission – Rules & Guidelines

### Rules for Submission

- All abstracts must be submitted and presented in clear English with accurate grammar and spelling of a quality suitable for publication. If you need help, please arrange for the review of your abstract by a colleague who is a native English speaker, by a university scientific publications office (or other similar facilities) or by a copy editor, prior to submission.
- The presenting author is requested to ensure that all co-authors are aware of the content of the abstract before submission.
- Submission of an abstract acknowledges your acceptance for the abstract to be published on the Congress website and in the Congress journal supplement.
- Only the abstracts of registered presenting authors will be included in the final programme.
- Each person may submit up to 3 abstracts. The number of abstracts one person may be the presenting author is 3.
- The Scientific Committee will determine whether abstracts will be accepted as Oral or E-poster presentations, with consideration to be given to the author's preference. Abstracts will be reviewed and assigned to appropriate sessions.
- All submitted abstracts must contain novel data. Abstracts stating "data will be discussed in the presentation" will NOT be accepted.
- If an abstract was previously submitted to a different Congress but was not presented, it can be submitted to this Congress as well. If it was previously presented, it cannot be submitted to ESRA 2021.

### Guidelines of Submission

Before you begin, please prepare the following information:

1. Presenting author's contact details:
  - a) Email address
  - b) Full postal address
  - c) Daytime and evening phone number
2. Author and co-authors' details:
  - a) Full first and family name(s)
  - b) Affiliation details: department, institution / hospital, city, state (if relevant), country
3. Abstract title – limited to 25 words in UPPER CASE
4. Abstract text – limited to 250 words



- Graphs and images may be uploaded in JPG, PNG and GIF format only. When including a table, it is recommended to save the table as an image and then upload it in to the abstract. A maximum of 3 images can be included per abstract.
- The maximum file size of each graph/image is 500 KB. The maximum pixel size of the graph/image is 600(w) x 800(h) pixel. You may upload graphs in JPG format only.
- The abstracts can be edited after submission until the submission deadline. Following the submission deadline, no changes can be made to abstracts.

### **Abstract Layout**

Abstracts must be submitted with the following sections:

- Background and aims
- Methods
- Results
- Conclusions

### **Abstract Submitter's Declaration**

Before submitting the abstract, the abstract submitter will be required to confirm the following:

1. I, the Abstract Submitter, confirm that I previewed this abstract and that all information is correct. I accept that the content of this abstract cannot be modified or corrected after final submission and I am aware that it will be published exactly as submitted.
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Only work that has received local animal or human ethics committee approval as appropriate will be considered for presentation and publication. A statement indicating ethics committee approval has been granted should be incorporated into the abstract and you will be requested to confirm that approval has been applied for/granted before you submit your abstract. When submitting your abstract, please upload your Ethics Committee Approval as a picture or as text pasted into the Abstract text field.

Abstracts which have not received approval will not be accepted – unless they fit into the special categories below. **Ethical committee approval is required for the following scenarios:**

1. If there are patients involved in the study
2. Anonymous Retrospective Data Collection – unless local committee authorizes otherwise
3. Audit Study – unless local committee authorizes otherwise

**Ethical committee approval is NOT required for the following scenarios:**

1. Questionnaire survey of medical personnel
2. Case studies – with patient consent
3. Literature reviews
4. Historical research
5. Research performed on artificial model
6. Evaluation performed during pre-operative session – with receipt of informed consent