

Abstract Submission Information for:
2010 AAHKS 20th Annual Meeting Scientific Presentation
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General Information for 2010 AAHKS Annual Meeting Podium or Poster presentation:

All original abstracts for the 2010 Annual Meeting must be received by **April 15, 2010**. If an abstract is selected for podium presentation, the authors agree to submit a *Journal of Arthroplasty*-formatted manuscript draft of their research work by October 15, 2010 for Annual Meeting Moderator review. Authors who do not comply with this rule in 2010 will be barred from consideration in 2011. Final submission deadline to the *Journal of Arthroplasty* for consideration for the supplement is September 15, 2010. Corresponding authors will be notified of the Education Committee decisions in summer 2010.

As part of our CME accreditation process, presenting author and co-authors of podium and poster presentation **must** complete a Conflict of Interest Disclosure Form. Submission of this form will be required upon notification of acceptance of your abstract. Authors of accepted abstracts who do not submit disclosure information will be omitted from the Final Program. Disclosure information will be made available in the Final Program and Proceedings.

Deadline for receipt of Abstracts: April 15, 2010

A. Important Information

1. Register an account or if you've already registered with VSReview log on to the site. You can make multiple submissions from the same account. All of your submissions will be visible from your account, and you will be able to edit and delete submissions you have made up until the submission deadline. There is no limit to the number of edits you can make before the submission deadline.
2. You will be required to enter all authors with their credentials and email addresses.
3. If your paper is selected for podium or poster presentation all contributors are required to provide disclosure information. Failure to submit disclosure information will result in the contributor's name being omitted from the Final Program.

B. Preparation of Your Abstract

Abstracts containing more than 300 words will not be allowed, Please follow the steps carefully.

1. A "blind" selection process will be used. No identifying features such as names of hospitals, medical schools, clinics or cities may be listed in the title or text of the abstract. Do **not** include the names of authors. The names of authors and their affiliations (institutions) will be submitted on-line when you submit the abstract.
2. Papers may be submitted if previously presented at a national/international meeting.
3. The title should be as brief as possible but long enough to indicate clearly the nature of the study. Capitalize the first letter of each word. No full stop at the end.
4. Abstracts should adhere to the following format (please use subheadings):

Introduction:

- State the problem
- State purpose/hypothesis of the study

Methods:

- Describe study design (examples, prospective-randomized, prospective cohort, retrospective cohort or case control)
- Include samples size estimate for prospective studies
- Describe study group: inclusion/exclusion criteria, demographics, follow-up
- Describe data collection methods and statistical methods

Results:

- Sufficiently report data
 - a. p values required for statements of statistical significance
 - b. No significant difference requires power statement, if inadequate sample size, state “with numbers available”

Conclusion:

- What did the study show?
- Does the data support the conclusion and did the study answer the research question?

C. The Submission Process

1. Log in to the submission system at <http://tinurl.com/yzhswhq> for abstract submission.
2. Submitting an abstract is a multi-step process.
 - Enter the **Full Title** of your abstract in **Upper and Lower Case**. This will be used for printing in the Final Program. *Do not include contributor names in the Title*
 - Maximum length: 2020 characters (approximately 300 words). The session will time-out after 15 minutes. It is strongly suggested editing off-line (such as in Microsoft word) then copy and paste the final text into this form to prevent any work from being lost
 - Some questions are marked “Mandatory”. Your abstract will not be considered until these questions have been answered. **Important: Include email address of all participating author’s.**
 - Please list the universities or other institutions with which the authors are affiliated You **MUST** enter the names of ALL authors here – including yourself if you are an author – in the order in which you wish them to appear in the printed text. All contributors are required to provide disclosure information. Failure to submit disclosure information will result in the contributor’s name being omitted from the Final Program.
 - Final step: Click the “Save” button to submit. You will then receive a Submission ID.

D. Amending a submission

You may change your answers to some of the questions on the submission form, or even change the abstract file itself before the April 15 deadline.

1. Log in to the submission system
2. You will see a list of the abstracts that you have submitted. Click on the abstract that you wish to change.
3. The process of amending an abstract is the same as the original submission process, except that the submission form will be automatically filled in with the answers that you gave previously – you don’t have to change an answer if you don’t want to.
4. When you reach the final step click “Save” to submit your revised abstract.

E. Disclosure Information

Conflict of Interest Disclosure

Conflict of interest disclosure is required by all contributors of accepted abstracts for podium and poster presentation. Authors of accepted abstracts who do not submit disclosure information by September 15, 2010 will be omitted from the Final Program. Disclosure information will be made available in the Final Program and Proceedings.

AAHKS will utilize the Orthopaedic Surgeons Disclosure Program located in the member's area of the AAOS website. AAOS members should log in to the disclosure program at: www.aaos.org/disclosure to add or update their disclosure information before the September 15, 2010 deadline. If you do not have an AAOS ID number, please print and complete the AAHKS disclosure form (available on the AAHKS website, www.aahks.org) and submit no later than, September 15, 2010.

This activity has been planned and implemented in accordance with the Essentials and Standards of the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) through the joint sponsorship of the American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons and the American Association of Hip and Knee Surgeons. The American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons is accredited by the ACCME to sponsor continuing medical education for physicians. All authors are required to disclose all financial relationships they have with any corporate entity, regardless of whether it affects the abstracts they are submitting. The principal aim of the policy is to provide uniform and complete disclosure of financial relationships among investigators presenting at AAHKS meetings.

The intent of this policy is to encourage disclosure of situations in which there is even the potential of bias, without any implications regarding actual bias. The establishment of uniform disclosure requirement frees individuals from having to decide which relationships might influence their decision-making and which are irrelevant. This disclosure policy applies to all participants in all AAHKS activities.

Required elements of disclosure include any remuneration from a company (stock ownership, stock options, stock warrants, royalties, consulting fees, loans from the sponsor, speaking arrangements), receiving gifts from a company (endowments, equipment, biomaterials, discretionary funds, support of office or research staff, support of training such as fellowships, sponsorship of trips, other sponsorships) and holding office in a company (board of directors, scientific advisory board, other office in a company). ACCME requirements for conflict of interest disclosure are applicable to faculty relationships that are in place at the time of the activity or were in place in the 12 months preceding the activity.

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