

## **Abstract Submission Criteria & Presentation Guidelines**

- Abstracts must be submitted through the <u>congress website</u>. Abstracts sent via email, mail, or courier will not be considered.
- Applications are open to studies from all branches of medicine.
- Accepted studies will be presented as **oral** or **poster** presentations. Active participants can apply with their preferred presentation type.

If an application is not accepted for oral presentation, the congress jury may offer the option of a poster presentation if deemed appropriate.

- Studies classified as **original research** can be submitted for **both** oral and poster presentation abstracts. Other types of studies (case reports, case series, reviews, etc.) will **only** be considered if submitted for **poster** presentations.
- Only submissions in English will be accepted.
- Each participant can submit and present **only one** abstract. Studies cannot be presented by multiple students at the same time. Abstracts must be submitted by a medical student.
- For original research studies involving human or animal subjects, an **Ethics Committee approval** must be obtained. If necessary, the jury may request proof of this approval.
- Abstracts must not exceed **300 words** (including the title and keywords, excluding the author and institution name).
- Abstracts should include the following sections and adhere to the specified criteria:

**Title:** The title should be written in lowercase letters except for the first letter, reflect the content and methodology of the study.

**Introduction:** A brief background on the research topic, its significance, and a clear statement of the objective.

**Methods:** Study type, location, duration, sample size and sampling method, ethics committee approval status, funding sources, data collection method, variables, and statistical tests used for analysis.

**Results:** Findings should be presented clearly and concisely.

**Discussion:** Key outcomes of the study, contributions to existing knowledge, implications, and recommendations.

Keywords: A minimum of 3 and a maximum of 5 keywords.

- All accepted abstracts will be published in the Congress Abstract Book.
- Abstracts that are scheduled in the program but are not presented at the congress will not be published.
- For an accepted abstract to be included in the Congress Abstract Book, it must be presented as oral or poster presentation at the congress.

• Presentations will take place at the time specified in the scientific program. Presenters must be present in the congress hall at the designated time.

The congress organizers reserve the right to make schedule changes.

- Submitted abstracts will be evaluated according to **double-blind** review criteria by the **congress jury committee**.
- You will receive a confirmation email acknowledging the receipt of your abstract. Applicants of accepted abstracts for presentations will be contacted via email after the congress jury committee evaluation.
- <u>Click here</u> for the sample abstract template.

## **Oral Presentations**

- Oral presentations must be delivered in **English**.
- The duration of each oral presentation is **6 minutes**, followed by a **2-minute** Q&A session.
- Presentations should be prepared according to the presentation format that will be provided later by the congress team to the applicants of accepted submissions.

## **Poster Presentations**

- Poster presentations must be delivered in **English**.
- The duration of each poster presentation is **5 minutes**, followed by a **2-minute** Q&A session.
- Posters must be printed by the presenter and displayed in the designated physical area at the congress venue.
- Posters should be designed vertically in the following sizes: 70cm (width) × 90cm (height)
   Posters can be designed using one of the following programs: MS PowerPoint,
   Publisher, Scribus, LaTeX Beamer, Adobe InDesign
- Posters must be designed using the Times New Roman font.
- Title: Must be in bold, and should not exceed two lines.
- Sections: abstract, introduction, methods, results, discussion and references.
- Font size, photo, and graphic layouts are at the authors' discretion. However, all text should be legible from a 1-meter distance. A clean, simple design with light colors is recommended for better readability.
- The top section of the poster must include: authors' names and institutions, affiliations and contact information, institutional logo (on the top right corner), SPARK logo (on the top left corner).
- In multi-author posters, the presenting author's name must be underlined.
- <u>Click here</u> for the sample poster template.