37th ANNUAL SCIENTIFIC MEETING, CANADIAN PAIN SOCIETY
CALL FOR ABSTRACTS
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DEADLINE DATES:
Symposia – Friday, DECEMBER 4, 2015 DEADLINE EXTENDED
Posters (Research and Clinical Innovation) – Friday, DECEMBER 18, 2015

The 2016 CPS Conference will create a forum in which scientists, healthcare professionals, and trainees from clinical, educational, research, policy and industry settings can meet and exchange up-to-date information on pain mechanisms, pain assessment, and pain management.

The Canadian Pain Society does not provide any remuneration for accepted Symposia or Poster abstracts. Any author that has an accepted poster or symposium is required to register for the conference, for at least the day of presentation.

Abstract Submission: Submissions are only accepted online through the CPS website:
1. The titles and authors of abstracts will be published in Pain Research & Management, the journal of the Canadian Pain Society, with complete abstracts published online on the journal’s website.
2. If your poster is withdrawn, or you are not attending to present, the abstract will not be published in the journal.
3. The submitting author will receive notification by email indicating receipt of submission(s).
4. The submitting author will receive notification of acceptance once reviewed by the Scientific Program Committee.
5. Submissions may be made in English or in French. All presentations should be in English.
6. Submissions may NOT be a work-in-progress; they must describe final results and be in final format when submitting.

1. SYMPOSIA PROPOSALS (Deadline: DECEMBER 4, 2015)
These sessions are intended to address issues in clinical practice, basic or translational science, and/or public policy. Priority for acceptance will be given to multidisciplinary proposals (e.g. including within the session two or more presentations each of which represents a different clinical discipline and/or basic science) in accordance with the CPS mission. Symposia will be normally 75 - 90 minutes in length and should be designed to encourage audience participation. Symposia will have no more than three speakers. The symposium Chair may be also be one of those speakers. Symposium presenters should typically be clinicians and/or independent researchers, although presentations from trainees may be considered under exceptional circumstances. Symposium proposals should be submitted by the symposium Chair and are to include an abstract describing: 1) Symposium title; 2) Symposium participants’ names along with their degree and their institutional affiliation; 3) overall aim of the Symposium (i.e., Symposium abstract) and 4) three learning objectives. In addition, the Symposium proposals should include individual talk abstracts of 250 words or less describing each speaker’s presentation. The on-line submission process will prompt you for the proper submission format.

2. RESEARCH POSTER ABSTRACTS (Deadline: DECEMBER 18, 2015)
Each abstract (maximum 250 words, excluding authors) should contain the: 1) title of the abstract; 2) authors’ names, along with their degrees; 3) institutional affiliation for each author; 4) a concise description under the headings Aims, Methods, Results and Conclusions of the proposed poster presentation. The on-line submission process will prompt you for the proper format. Some abstracts may be chosen for inclusion in special symposia or oral presentations; indicate online if you are so willing to be considered for these.

3. CLINICAL INNOVATION POSTER ABSTRACTS (Deadline: DECEMBER 18, 2015)
We invite submissions describing new initiatives and/or achievements in pain treatment in Canada or elsewhere. These could include presentations of complex cases, new clinical services, program evaluations, or other innovations in delivering pain care. Each abstract (maximum 250 words, excluding authors) should succinctly describe the innovation. The on-line submission process will prompt you for the proper submitting format.

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