

EP Fellows in Training Scientific Research Competition SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

The deadline for abstract submission is 11:59 pm Eastern on Monday, January 23, 2023.

All abstracts must be submitted electronically via the official WAFIB abstract submission website. Paper abstract submissions will not be accepted.

NOTIFICATION AND TERMS OF ACCEPTANCE

Western Atrial Fibrillation Symposium (Western AFib) is now accepting abstracts to be considered for a **Fellow's Research Competition**.

This award is intended to support research of first- and second-year clinical fellows currently training in an ACGME electrophysiology fellowship program in the United States. Applicants will submit a scientific poster based on their research to Western AFib. A committee of faculty judges selected by the Western AFib Symposium leadership will review each submission and invite the top 5 fellows to attend the 2023 Western AFib Symposium to present their research live. Each of these fellows will be awarded a travel scholarship of \$600, complimentary registration to attend the meeting, and prizes will be awarded to the first, second and third place abstracts as determined by the judges.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Applications for the Fellow's Research Competition will be open until January 23rd.

February 3rd, 2023: Applicants notified of acceptance. Registration must be completed or a decline or cancellation request must be received by **February 10th, 2023**. Please email your decline or cancellation request to Liz Minor at lminor@hmpglobal.com.

COMPETITION AWARDEES WILL RECEIVE:

The top 5 posters will be selected by a panel of faculty judges. All 5 fellows will be invited to present their posters to the judges at the meeting. Prizes will be awarded to the first, second and third place abstracts as determined by the judges after live abstract presentation at the meeting. Prizes to be announced.

ELIGIBILITY

- The applicant must be a first- or second-year clinical fellow in an ACGME electrophysiology fellowship program in the United States
- The poster must be based on the applicant's research in the field of atrial fibrillation
- One poster may be submitted per applicant
- Submissions must be received by January 23, 2023 to be considered for the scholarship

TERMS OF ACCEPTANCE

- Provide a completed W9 form by February 10, 2023
- Register for the meeting by February 10, 2023
- Attend the full conference including all mandatory scholarship related sessions/events designated throughout the agenda

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Thursday, February 23, 2023
1:30 PM - 4:30 PM
Prospector 4
Meeting the Masters
Meet the fathers of EP to learn and discuss EP clinic and EP lab cases.

4:30 PM - 5:00 PM Refreshment Break in Foyer

5:00 PM - 6:00 PM Prospector 4 Fellows Competition

SUPPORT

Scholarship awards are intended to support current and future scientific research initiatives. This program is sponsored. Sponsors will be acknowledged once confirmed.

IMPORTANT NOTES FOR SUBMITTERS

- Abstracts must include the following parts:
 - Purpose
 - Material and Methods
 - Results
 - Conclusions
- Do not re-enter the abstract title or the authors' names/institutions in the text portion of the submission.
- Do not enter images or tables in the text portion of the submission.
- The final abstract length cannot exceed 2,500 characters total.

All accepted abstracts will be displayed as physical posters in the WAFIB exhibit hall. Poster Presenters are responsible for producing, printing and setting up their own poster on site. The poster size should be no larger than 8' wide x 4' high (243 cm x 121 cm). The orientation for posters is horizontal.

AUTHOR AND AFFILIATION INFORMATION

- The author list should be listed in the order that they should appear in program materials.
- List the complete name including a full first name, middle initials, last name, and credentials for each author, as it should appear in program materials.
- Please do not include author institutions, or contact information in the author list, or body of the abstract. If you enter author's institutions or contact information in the author list or abstract body, they will be removed.

• An author's name may appear on multiple abstracts, but if possible, they should appear exactly the same to assist with indexing of the abstracts.

REFERENCES

• References are optional. Please **limit references to the 10 most pertinent citations**.

ABSTRACT TITLE

• The abstract title should adequately convey the content of the abstract and should be entered using Proper Case. Please avoid use of abbreviations and do not exceed 120 characters, including spaces.

PRIOR PRESENTATION/PUBLICATION

Authors must affirm that if this abstract has been presented previously, the meeting location and date are identified. Abstracts previously presented, accepted for presentation, or submitted for presentation at any other meeting may be submitted for presentation. However, if another professional organization has publication rights to the work, the work cannot be submitted to WAFIB unless the author obtains a written waiver from the other professional organization.

QUESTIONS?

For questions regarding the abstract process, please contact Liz Minor at lminor@hmpglobal.com