

Abstract Submission Guidelines
ASSR 2016 Annual Symposium
Hyatt Regency Coconut Point Resort & Spa
February 18-21, 2016

Abstract Submission Deadline – December 21, 2015

Abstract Submission Categories:

Oral presentation (mentored) (Louis A. Gilula, MD Award Papers): should represent original spine-related research performed by fellows, residents, junior faculty (less than 5 years post-fellowship), or medical students mentored by an ASSR *Active Member*. Registration fees for presenting first authors will be waived. Indicate if you wish to be considered for this Award and that you meet the criteria referenced above. **An ASSR *Active Member* must serve as Mentor for research project and must email a letter of support pre-meeting to Ken Cammarata, Business Manager, at kcamarata@asnr.org. Failure to meet these requirements will make submission ineligible for this award.**

Oral presentation (non-mentored): should summarize the details of clearly defined and carefully conducted investigative efforts. Abstracts may be submitted in either the Diagnostic Spine or Interventional Spine categories.

Excerpta Extraordinaire: should teach a lesson, illustrate a problem in diagnosis, describe a novel procedure, or present an unusual case.

Electronic educational exhibit: should present original research or illustrate key learning points of a pathological process, or an image-guided interventional spine procedure. Those Electronic Exhibits selected for presentation will be on display during the ASSR 2016 Annual Symposium. Authors will be asked to submit their presentations via email to an ASSR Audio-Visual technician prior to the ASSR 2016 Annual Symposium.

All selected abstracts will be included in the ASSR 2016 Annual Symposium Syllabus if submitted in time to meeting printing deadlines. All selected presentations **MUST** be presented using Microsoft™ PowerPoint for Windows.

Society Awards: The presenting first authors of the top three Louis A. Gilula, MD Mentor Award papers will each receive a certificate and monetary award. The First Place recipient will receive an invitation from the American Society of Neuroradiology (ASNR) to present their award-winning paper at the ASNR 54th Annual Meeting and ASNR Foundation Symposium 2016 to be held May 21-26, 2016 at the Washington Marriott Wardman Park Hotel in Washington, DC. The First Place recipient will also receive an additional post-ASNR meeting monetary award to help defray travel expenses. Monetary awards will also be given to the best overall non-mentor Diagnostic Spine and Interventional Spine Scientific Paper and Electronic Exhibit as selected by the ASSR Awards Committee.

Abstract Formats:

Oral mentored and non-mentored presentations: Abstracts must be formatted in the following manner:

1. *Purpose:* State the reasons for conducting the research.
2. *Methods and Materials:* Outline the methods of investigation that were employed.
3. *Results:* Present a synopsis of your findings.
4. *Conclusions:* Summarize the most pertinent conclusions drawn from your results.

Excerpta extraordinare - A brief description of the case and lessons learned.

Electronic educational exhibits: For original research, please utilize scientific paper format (as above). For illustrative learning, a brief description of the objectives followed by a listing of learning points with an image rich presentation is sufficient.

Abstract Preparation Instructions:

1. All abstracts must be submitted no later than December 21, 2015 via the abstract submission site at: <http://www.TheASSR.org>
2. Choose (up to 3) types of submission for consideration:
 - 1) Oral presentation (mentored): diagnostic
 - 2) Oral presentation (mentored): interventional
 - 3) Oral presentation (non-mentored): diagnostic
 - 4) Oral presentation (non-mentored): interventional

- 5) Excerpta extraordinaires: diagnostic
- 6) Excerpta extraordinaires: interventional
- 7) Educational exhibit electronic: diagnostic
- 8) Educational exhibit electronic: interventional

- 3. Do **NOT** include names, titles, degrees, addresses, zip codes, or grant support in the abstract space.
- 4. Financial disclosures should be included in the reference section. Also, specify whether the submission has been previously published or presented. If so, specify when, and where.
- 5. Bring your presentation to the Symposium in PowerPoint format on USB Drive. One to two images can be uploaded with your abstract if deemed necessary. Your electronic presentation must be given to the audiovisual staff the day prior to your presentation.