

Review Criteria for Late-Breaking SITC Annual Meeting Abstracts

Late-breaking abstract reviewers consider a number of variables in rating abstracts for selection for oral presentations. Similar to the regular abstract review period, general considerations include quality of the research and presentation, the strength of the results and methods, and whether the reported research significantly advances the field. Specific variables under these considerations are noted below.

Quality of Research and Presentation of Results

- Overall quality of the research as described in the abstract is high
- Abstract content is scientifically important and exciting to the audience
- Abstract content includes significant advances to existing science

Results and Methods

- Abstract includes specific results and data on sample size, endpoints and outcomes, with statistical analysis demonstrating significance of findings
- Abstract includes clear description of reliable methodology and models

Research Advances the Field

- Abstract includes concise description of the implications of the research to advance basic scientific understanding, translation and/or clinical application of cancer immunotherapy
- Abstract content is high-novelty and provides teaching moments

Additional Considerations

- The science is not already represented within the Annual Meeting schedule
- Abstract content is worthy of taking time/attention away from poster presentations (and lunch)
- After abstracts are narrowed down, consider whether the top abstracts would have been must-have's during regular submission.

An abstract submitted for the Annual Meeting may be rejected if the reviewers find it does not meet the scientific rigor or adequately match the topic of the scientific program.