

The APM's Supportive and Palliative Care Conference (ASP Conference)

21 – 22 March 2019 | Harrogate Convention Centre

Abstract Submission Guidelines | Late Breaking Call

Timeline

Call Opens	Monday 10 December 2018
Call Closes	Wednesday 2 January 2019 at 09:00 hrs GMT
Outcome Notifications Issued	Wednesday 9 January 2019 (<i>these will be sent to the First Author via email</i>)
Registration Deadline	Sunday 20 January 2019 (<i>all Presenting Authors to be registered by this date</i>)

Late Breaking Call for Papers

We recognise that some rapidly advancing investigations may include results that will not be available at the time of the abstract submission deadline of Sunday 28 October 2018. Therefore “Late Breaking” abstracts will be accepted **between Monday 10 December 2018 and 09:00 hrs GMT on Wednesday 2 January 2019**.

Abstracts submitted during this time **must** adhere to the abstract submission guidance outlined in the original call for papers, which are listed again on page 2 of this document for information.

In addition, “Late Breaking” abstracts must present **new** data with **major impact** on the respective topic and it must be made clear in the abstract or through correspondence with the scientific review committee that the data has only just become available rather than that the original deadline was missed by the authors.

If there is any doubt that the abstract represents recently available results the decision to review and / or accept the abstract lies with the scientific review committee.

It is anticipated that authors will know in advance that results are still emerging and that they are not able to submit the abstract during the main call for papers. If authors expect the results to be of sufficient interest to the delegates attending the conference to warrant late submission, then they are advised to contact the scientific review committee as soon as possible.

Abstracts submitted during the “Late Breaking” call may still be eligible for oral presentation. Authors should therefore indicate whether they have a preference for oral or poster presentation.

Anyone who wishes to liaise with the scientific review committee should, in the first instance, contact admin@aspconference.co.uk

First authors will be notified of the outcome review by the scientific review committee by email no later than **Wednesday 9 January 2019**.

First authors must confirm acceptance by registering to attend the Conference no later than **Sunday 20 January 2019**.

Any enquiries regarding the format of abstracts should be made via admin@aspconference.org.uk

Main Call for Papers | Submission Guidelines

Abstracts are invited for original research relevant to supportive & palliative care. Audits and service evaluations of a sufficient standard will also be considered. For each submitted abstract authors are asked to select the most relevant **Theme**;

- Bereavement
- Caregivers and the Family
- Dementia
- Education and Training
- End of Life Care
- Ethics
- Global Palliative Care
- Pain
- Psychosocial
- Service Development
- Supportive Care
- Survivorship and Rehabilitation
- Symptom Management
- Transition

The data presented should not have previously been published in a peer review journal, although data from papers previously accepted for publication, or already published on-line will be considered. The data **can** have been presented at another conference. Abstracts are restricted to a **maximum of 300 words**.

A **structured format** should be used where possible, i.e.

- Background
- Methods
- Results
- Conclusions

Abstracts with no results will be rejected. References are not required.

Submissions under the **Ethics Theme** may include reports of empirical studies, for instance studies of ethics in practice, and these should follow a standard format; other ethics submissions need not follow this format and should summarise the work that has been done or the argument that will be presented.

Please complete the submission form accurately and completely.

The number of oral abstract presentations is restricted by the time available within the programme. The duration of oral presentations will be confirmed at the time of acceptance. Authors accepted for poster presentation will only be required to produce a poster for display within the Exhibition Hall.

Submitters are permitted to be the First Author on a **maximum of two abstracts**. Authors are permitted to co-author any number of abstracts. For each accepted abstract, a Presenting Author must register to attend at least one day of the Conference by **Sunday 20 January 2019** at the latest. While it is assumed the First Author will also be the Presenting Author any listed co-author may attend the Conference as Presenting Author if preferred. Abstract submissions with no Presenting Author registered by 09:00 hrs GMT on Monday 21 January 2019 will automatically be withdrawn and the abstract will not be forwarded for publication.

All accepted abstracts will be published in a main stream palliative care journal. By submitting an abstract you are agreeing to its publication in the journal. First Authors are responsible for the content of their abstract. For clarity, abstracts will not be proof read by a medical professional before publication.

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