Abstract Submission Guidelines and Instructions

Key Dates:

- Abstract submission opens: October 2018
- Abstract submission closes: January 18, 2019
- Last Call Abstract submission closes: February 15, 2019
- Abstract acceptance notifications sent: March 1, 2019
- Abstract programming assignments sent: March 29, 2019

Guidelines:

**Requirements:** Nutrition 2019 abstract submissions must include unpublished, original research and be submitted through the Nutrition 2019 Abstract Submission website. Multiple abstracts can be submitted by the same presenting author but must address different research. All abstracts must be submitted in English with accurate grammar and spelling suitable for publication. Authors are expected to comply with the Nutrition 2019 Scientific Integrity Policy for Submission of Abstracts.

**Authors:** Abstracts must be submitted by the presenting author who is expected to present the abstract at Nutrition 2019. Co-authors can be included on the abstract.

**Abstract Submission Fee:** Presenting authors are required to pay a non-refundable $65 fee for each submitted abstract. A credit card will be required for payment. No refunds will be provided if the abstract is withdrawn. The abstract submission fee is separate from the meeting registration fee.

**Award Competitions and Travel Funding Opportunities:** Based on academic level and ASN membership status, presenting authors may apply for award competitions and travel funding opportunities during abstract submission. Notifications will be sent to selected individuals in April 2019.

**Revisions:** Revisions can be made through the Nutrition 2019 Abstract Submission website through the following dates:
- January 18, 2019 - for abstracts submitted before the January 18 abstract submission deadline
- February 15, 2019 – for abstracts submitted before the February 15 Last Call abstract submission deadline

Please proofread abstract submissions carefully because edits will not be made by ASN staff. Abstracts will be published verbatim using the text and information provided during abstract submission.

**Abstract Review:** All abstracts will be peer-reviewed through a blind review process for quality assurance. Reviewers will consider the following when rating abstracts: abstract components (objective, methods, results and conclusions), significance and writing quality. Unless an abstract is focused on
**Methods or protocols, all abstracts must include results.** Results should include at least preliminary data. To say, “the results will be discussed at Nutrition 2019,” is insufficient. **Abstracts without results will be rejected.** Exceptions will only be made for abstracts focused on methods or protocols.

**Acceptance and Programming Notification:** Presenting authors will be notified of abstract acceptance on March 1, 2019 and of abstract programming details (presentation type/date/time/location) on March 29, 2019. Please make sure your e-mail settings will allow emails from mcrispino@nutrition.org, education@nutrition.org and support@conferenceabstracts.com to insure important program information gets through your SPAM filters.

**Withdrawals:** Requests to withdraw an abstract must be sent to ASN by e-mail at education@nutrition.org by March 15, 2019. All accepted abstracts will be published unless the abstract is officially withdrawn by this date.

**Publication:** Accepted abstracts will be published in *Current Developments in Nutrition*, ASN’s open access journal. Abstracts will be published verbatim using the text and information provided during abstract submission.

**Embargo Policy:** Accepted abstracts are embargoed until the beginning of the first session in which they are presented. An embargo means that information and data pertaining to the abstract may not be announced, publicized or distributed before the embargo date and time. Promotion of general topics, speakers or presentation times is allowed and encouraged as long as specific findings are not included in the announcement.

**Meeting Participation:** Submission of an abstract constitutes a commitment by the author to present it if accepted. Failure to present, if not justified, will jeopardize future acceptance of abstracts for ASN conferences.

**Registration Fee/Travel Costs:** Authors associated with an abstract must register for the meeting and are responsible for all travel expenses (airfare, food, hotel, etc.) associated with presenting at the meeting. The registration fee and travel costs are separate from the abstract submission fee.

**Instructions:**

Abstracts must be submitted through the [Nutrition 2019 Abstract Submission website](#). The information listed below will be required during the abstract submission process.

**Abstract Title:** The abstract title should be entered in Title Case and be short and specific. The abstract title has a character limit of 150 characters not including spaces.

**Preferred Presentation Type:** Presenting authors can indicate their interest in a preferred presentation type for the abstract. These include:

- Poster (Poster Session)
- Oral (Oral Session or Poster Theater Flash Session)
- Indifferent

Please note that inclusion in an oral presentation is not guaranteed if selected as the preferred presentation type by the presenting author during abstract submission. If an abstract is not selected for oral presentation, it will be programmed as a poster presentation.
**Presenting Author:** Contact information, ASN membership status, and academic level must be provided.

**Co-Authors:** Contact information for all co-authors must be provided. Institutions where the work was performed should be listed for each co-author even if the individual is no longer there.

**Abstract Category:** Presenting authors must select an abstract category with which the abstract should be associated. Only one abstract category can be selected. Please consider submitting your abstract even if you believe it does not fit precisely into one category. Abstracts will be reviewed and categories may be adjusted to group like abstracts together for presentation. Abstract categories are sponsored by ASN groups which assist with abstract programming. Click here to view the complete abstract category list.

**Case Studies and Vignettes Abstracts (Abstract Category 050):** For abstracts submitted in the ‘050 - Case Studies and Vignettes’ abstract category, a clinical vignette or case report is a means of disseminating new knowledge gained from clinical practice. It can address an unusual condition; a complication of a known disease; an unusual side effect or adverse response to a mode of treatment; or a new approach to a condition. Maintaining patient anonymity is essential. Case reports should follow a similar format and length of scientific abstracts. Authors should submit case study and vignette information in the specified abstract section listed below during abstract submission:

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**Abstract:** The abstract has a character limit of 2000 characters not including spaces. Each abstract should be formatted using the headings Objectives, Methods, Results, Conclusions and Funding Sources. The abstract's current total character count not including spaces can be found in the gray bar at the bottom of the page.

- **Objectives:** State the precise objective, the specific hypothesis to be tested, or both.
- **Methods:** Provide a clear, concise description of specific methods, including research design. Describe interventions, if used.
- **Results:** Report the most important findings, including results of statistical analyses. Unless an abstract is focused on methods or protocols, all abstracts must include results. Results should include at least preliminary data. To say, “the results will be discussed at Nutrition 2019,” is insufficient. Abstracts without results will be rejected.
- **Conclusions:** Summarize in 1 or 2 sentences the primary outcomes of the study, including their potential significance (avoid generalizations).
- **Funding Sources:** Funding sources (organizations, institutions, agencies) for the research included in the abstract should be listed. Grant numbers should not be included in the abstract as this could impact the efficacy of a blinded abstract review process.

When using abbreviations for compounds, the full name should be spelled out for the first mention. The *Current Developments in Nutrition* instructions for abbreviations, units of measure, and nomenclature should be followed. Do not begin sentences with numerals.
Names and institutions of the presenting author or co-authors should not be included in the abstract body as this could impact the efficacy of a blinded abstract review process.

When entering abstract information on the Nutrition 2019 Abstract Submission website, do not use the options to insert/edit video, insert/edit link, or create a table. Any such elements will be removed from the abstract.

**Special Characters and Formatting:** Please proof your abstract body carefully to confirm that any special characters (such as $\alpha$, $\beta$, $\geq$, $\leq$, etc.) are displaying properly.

**Keywords:** Presenting authors must provide at least two keywords associated with the content area of the abstract to assist with programming at Nutrition 2019.

**Supporting Tables, Images, and/or Graphs:** Supporting tables, images and/or graphs can be uploaded. Files must be uploaded in one of the following formats: .png, .jpg, .bmp, .gif. All submitted files should follow the *Current Developments in Nutrition* instructions to authors to insure table/image/graph image quality for publication.

**Authors' Statement and Publication Agreement:** Presenting authors are required to complete the Authors' Statement and Publication Agreement. [Click here](#) to review the agreement.

**Awards Competitions and Travel Funding Opportunities:** Presenting authors can apply for ASN award competitions and travel funding opportunities depending on their academic level during abstract submission. [Click here](#) to review complete details including eligibility, requirements, and processes.

**Payment Information:** Presenting authors are required to pay a non-refundable $65 fee for each submitted abstract. A credit card will be required to submit payment. No refunds will be provided if the abstract is withdrawn. The abstract submission fee is separate from the meeting registration fee.

**Technical Support:** Technical Support can be reached 9:00 am to 9:00 pm EST, Monday to Friday by toll-free phone at 877-426-6323 or by e-mail at help@conferenceabstracts.com.