

'OMICS AND EPIDEMIOLOGY :

Evidence-Based OMICS in Clinical Practice

Research Poster Presentations – Call for Abstracts

The Population Genomics Program at McMaster University is hosting a virtual research poster competition for learners conducting research in the field of Genomics. Winners will be announced at the upcoming **'OMICS and Epidemiology Conference** hosted via Zoom (May 27 & 28, 2021).

Whether you are an undergraduate, graduate, fellow, or resident conducting research in 'OMICS, we want to hear from you!

The presentation of research through a poster is one of the many ways in which you can enrich your academic experience.

How to participate

All interested poster presenters must submit an abstract. The abstract should describe original research and should be 450 words or less. Please do not use tables, charts, or graphs in your abstract submission.

Submit your abstract to Laura Garrick (lgarrick@stjoes.ca)

Deadline

The deadline for abstract submission is **Sunday April 18, 2021**. Applicants will receive a decision notification via email on or before **Friday April 23, 2021**.

What is a research poster presentation?

A good research poster summarizes your research **concisely** and **attractively** to help **publicize** it and generate discussion. The poster itself is usually a mixture of **brief text** combined with **tables, graphs,** and **pictures** to capture key aspects of the research. The student will prepare a recorded PowerPoint or video presentation to disseminate their research, and discuss the information it contains. **Note that appearance and the presentation of the poster is part of the judging process.**

Poster sessions are a great way to tell others about your research in a format that is informal, easy to understand, and highly interactive. They also allow you to connect with other people with similar or different research interests or even members of our community.

Is my study a good fit for the research poster session?

Posters can report research that is in-progress or completed. There are no restrictions on the types of studies that can be presented.

What will happen after an abstract is accepted?

After acceptance, presenters must format their abstract into a digital poster and record a 5-minute presentation. The poster and video presentation will be uploaded (instructions to follow) for the judges to review.

Research poster guideline and specifications

- Posters can report research that is in progress or completed. There are no restrictions on the types of studies that can be reported.
- Poster presentation must be of original research
- Presentations should not exceed 5 minutes in length, any content provided over the 5-minute mark will be cut from the presentation.

There are no definite rules for the different sections of your poster. However, we suggest that each poster presentation contains at least the following sections and/or information:

- Title (with authors and affiliations)
- Introduction / Background
- Objectives / Aims / Goal / Problem
- Methods
- Results
- Conclusions
- References (if any)
- Please make sure that your name and institution are clearly visible on the poster.

Is there a prize or award available?

Prizes will be available for the following categories:

- a) 1st Prize: Certificate and \$500.00
- b) 2nd Prize: Certificate and \$400.00
- c) 3rd Prize: Certificate and \$300.00

Additional information

- The competition review period will be held from May 11th to 21st, 2021.
- Winners will be announced during the live broadcast of the annual **'OMICS and EPIDEMIOLOGY Conference** on Friday May 28, 2021. **Winning video submission will be broadcasted in the program.**
- Please register if you plan to attend the virtual conference at www.omicsconference.ca (registration is free).
- Any costs incurred in relation to the poster presentations will not be reimbursed by The Population Genomics Program, McMaster University.
- Certificates of attendance will not be issued in relation to this poster presentation.

If you would like further information, please contact Laura Garrick (lgarrick@stjoes.ca)

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER:

April 18, 2021 – Abstract submission deadline

April 23, 2021 – Notifications of acceptance will be sent out

May 10, 2021 – Deadline for digital presentation submission