

## Abstracts Frequently Asked Questions 2019

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### Application

\*Abstracts **MUST** contain the following to be accepted: All authors **Name, City, State, Country**

**Abstracts not containing this information may be rejected.**

- **Abstract Presenters are required to attend the AANEM Annual Meeting** to present their poster.
- Abstract Deadline: **March 15, 2019**
- **Poster Presentation Dates:** Poster presentations will be Thursday and Friday from 11:30-12:30 PM. Once abstract numbers are set, date changes are not permitted.
- **Additional authors cannot be added after abstract submission.**
- Maximum Word Count: **250**
- **Graphs and references are NOT allowed in the abstract.** They can be added to the poster.
- Submission of an abstract does not automatically register you for the AANEM Annual Meeting.
- Abstract Acceptance Notification: **June 1**

### Awards

#### President's Research Initiative Award

<http://www.aanemfoundation.org/Awards/President-s-Research-Initiative> This award is given to up to 10 abstracts selected by the President who have created research dealing with the topic chosen by the President. The 2019 topic is: The present and future role of technology in the lives of patients with neuromuscular diseases

#### Golseth Young Investigator Award

<http://www.aanemfoundation.org/Awards/Golseth-Young-Investigator> Given to the best research paper submitted by a young physician to the AANEM Annual Meeting for original research in neuromuscular and electrodiagnostic medicine.

#### Residency & Fellowship Member Award

<http://www.aanemfoundation.org/Awards/Residency-and-Fellowship> For this award, the first author must be a Resident member at the time of abstract submission.

#### Technologist Best Abstract Award

<https://www.aanemfoundation.org/Awards/Technologist-Member-Recognition> For this award, the first author must be a Tech member at the time of the abstract submission.

#### Medical Student Research Award

<http://www.aanemfoundation.org/Awards/Medical-Student-Research-Award>

This award is given to up to 10 abstracts for research related to PMR, EDX or neuromuscular medicine. First author must be a Medical Student.

#### International Fellowship Scholarships

<http://www.aanemfoundation.org/Awards/International-Fellowship> These scholarships are available for international applicants. Physicians who submit an abstract to present at the AANEM Annual Meeting will be given priority.

Applicants may only receive one award benefit except the Residency & Fellowship may be received in addition to another award.

\*Must attend meeting and be First Author and Poster Presenter to receive award.

Please email [meeting@aanem.org](mailto:meeting@aanem.org) with questions.

### How to introduce an abbreviation in the text:

The first time you use an abbreviation in the text, present both the spelled-out version and the short form. When the spelled-out version first appears in the narrative of the sentence, put the abbreviation in parentheses after it:

Example: We studied attention-deficit/hyperactivity disorder (ADHD) in children.

After you define an abbreviation, use only the abbreviation. Do not alternate between spelling out the term and abbreviating it.

### The following abbreviations can be used without first spelling them out:

ALS=amyotrophic lateral sclerosis  
CT=computed tomography  
CTS=carpal tunnel syndrome  
EDX=electrodiagnostic  
EMG=electromyography  
ER=emergency room  
FDA=Food and Drug Administration  
ICU=intensive care unit  
IV=intravenous  
IVIg=intravenous immunoglobulin  
MRC=Medical Research Council  
MRI=magnetic resonance imaging  
NCS=nerve conduction study

## Abstract Title:

Do **NOT** use an abbreviation in the title of the abstract.

## Abstract Authors

There is a limit of 15 authors per abstract. NO Exceptions.

## Abstract Format

It is recommended that you write and edit your summary in Notepad or another plain text processor and then cut and paste into the submission form.

No references should be cited or included in the abstract.

Abstract will be entered into the submission system in one of two formats:

- Clinical/Basic Science and Technical Research
- Case Report

## Abstract Embargo Policy – Original Abstracts

Accepted abstracts are made available to the public on the AANEM website and are published in *Muscle & Nerve* in advance of the AANEM Annual Meeting. Information contained in those abstracts may not be released until the abstracts appear on the AANEM website or in *Muscle & Nerve*, whichever occurs first. AANEM requires information that goes beyond that which is contained within the abstract, e.g., discussion of the abstract done as part of a scientific presentation, is to be embargoed until the start of the annual meeting.

Full policy is located on the AANEM website.

## Encore Abstracts

Applications for poster or platform presentations are acceptable even if the data has been previously presented, so long as it has never been published in manuscript form prior to the meeting. Once the abstract is submitted to AANEM, no further information regarding the abstract may be released until it appears on the AANEM website or in *Muscle & Nerve*, whichever occurs first.

## Late Breaking Abstracts

AANEM does **not** accept late breaking abstracts.

## Pharmaceutical Abstract Authors

Pharma employees can be part of the research team on an abstract and present the abstract, however, it is encouraged that a physician present the abstract.

## Abstract Decisions

If your abstract was not accepted, please feel free to submit an abstract next year. All abstract acceptance decisions by the Program Committee are final.

## Abstract Publication

Abstracts are printed in *Muscle & Nerve* in either the September or October issue each year.

## Abstracts Presentation at the Meeting

All abstracts for 2019 will include a poster spot in the poster hall. Award winning abstracts may also be presented at the Abstract Winners Reception on Thursday evening. Poster Presenters will be contacted directly with further information regarding the Abstract Reception.

## Poster Size

All posters should fill a 4' high by 8' wide poster board.

## Audio Visual Equipment Requests

The Poster presentation area does not allow for audio-visual equipment.

## Poster Location Notification

Once your poster has been accepted, you will receive a notification telling you the final presentation number of your poster and installation instructions during the annual meeting.

## Poster Presentation Date Change Requests

Once the abstracts have been given their final numbers and authors notified, it is not possible to change the date of presentations.

## Abstracts and Meeting Registration

It is the responsibility of each presenting author to register for the meeting. Presenting authors need to go to the registration site and complete the registration form and identify a form of payment.

## Registration Types

Presenting authors agree to register for the conference as a condition of submission.

## Unable to Attend

Authors agree to be at the meeting and display their poster. If the person who originally was to have been there to discuss the work cannot attend, someone else needs to be designated to take their place.

## Expense Reimbursement

Authors' and presenters' expenses will not be reimbursed.

## Awards

Must be present at the AANEM Meeting to receive award.

## Abstract Poster Installation

Wednesday October 16, 2019

## Abstract Poster Removal

Friday October 18, 2019, between 2:00-4:00pm

## MGFA Abstracts

MGFA Abstract information is available by contacting Kathleen Brown. 212-297-2119  
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