



Pain Hurts...Everyone
Searching for Solutions

La douleur: un problème
qui touche tout le monde
À la recherche de solutions



the CANADIAN PAIN SOCIETY
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CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

ANNUAL CONFERENCE
MAY 23 – MAY 26, 2012
WHISTLER, BRITISH COLUMBIA, CANADA

DEADLINE DATES:

Symposia, Oral Posters, Hot Topics, Moderated Posters
Regular Research Posters

OCTOBER 15, 2011
NOVEMBER 30, 2011

The 2012 CPS Conference will create a forum in which scientists, healthcare professionals, and trainees from clinical, educational, research, policy and industry settings can meet and exchange up-to-date information on pain mechanisms, pain assessment, and pain management. The topics to be covered include:

- Advances in understanding the neuroanatomy & neurophysiology of pain
- Preclinical models of acute and chronic pain
- Neuropharmacology of pain and analgesia
- The genetics of pain in humans and animals
- Placebos and neurobiology
- Brain imaging and plasticity
- Advances in pain measurement/assessment
- Biopsychosocial and spiritual context of pain experience
- Pain across the lifespan (children, youth, the elderly, diverse and vulnerable populations)
- Sex and gender issues
- New developments in pain management interventions
- Complementary pain therapies
- Improving access to care
- Knowledge translation – from research to practice and policy
- Education of health professionals about pain
- Pain experience – patient, family and community perspectives
- Advocacy, public and governmental lobbying
- Research designs & methodologies – from descriptive knowledge to mechanisms

Accepted Abstract Remuneration:

The Canadian Pain Society **does not provide any remuneration** for accepted Symposia or Poster abstracts. **Any author that has an accepted poster or symposium is required to register for the conference, for at least the day of presentation.**

Abstract Submission: Submissions are only accepted online at:

English: <http://www.canadianpainsociety.ca/callforabstracts/en/>

French: <http://www.canadianpainsociety.ca/callforabstracts/fr/>

1. All presenters are required to register for the conference – for the day they are presenting, for the full conference, or for the session they are presenting in.
2. If you are a trainee, and wish to have your poster judged for a basic research or clinical research poster, you must attend the conference to present your poster in person and be a member of the Canadian Pain Society.
3. Abstracts will be published in *Pain Research and Management*, the Canadian Pain Society Journal.
4. Abstracts are filed by first author's last name and communication is through the first author or a designate.
5. Submitting author will receive notification by email indicating receipt of submission(s).
6. Submitting author will receive notification of acceptance once reviewed by the Scientific Committee.
7. Submissions may be made in English or in French. All presentations must be in English only.
8. Submissions may NOT be a work-in-progress. They must be final data and be in final format when submitting.
9. Abstracts that are not final will not be accepted.
10. Submissions must have at least 3 overall learning objectives listed for Symposium presentations, not necessary for each presenter's topics, just for the main overall Symposium.

Symposia – OCTOBER 15, 2011

These sessions are intended to address issues in clinical practice, basic science, and/or public policy. Priority for acceptance will be given to multidisciplinary proposals (e.g. including within the session two or more presentations each of which represents a different clinical discipline and/or basic science) in accordance with the CPS mission related to multidisciplinary education, research & policy. Symposia will be normally 90 minutes in length – presentation time will be 80 minutes in total (allowance for beginning and end movement) and should be designed to encourage audience participation. Symposia will have only two other speakers in addition to the Symposium Chair. Symposium proposals should be submitted by the Symposium Chair and are to include an abstract describing 1) Symposium title; 2) Symposium participants' names along with their degree and their institutional affiliation; 3) overall aim of the Symposium and 4) three learning objectives listed. In addition the Symposium proposals should include individual structured abstracts of **250 words** or less describing each speaker's presentation. The on-line submission process will prompt you for the proper submitting format.

All Abstracts – Must include the following:

Each abstract should contain the: 1) title of the abstract; 2) authors' names, along with their degrees; 3) institutional affiliation for each author; 4) a concise description under the headings: **Aims, Methods, Results** and **Conclusions** of the proposed presentation. The on-line submission process will prompt you for the proper submitting format. Maximum of **250 words**, excluding authors.

Poster Awards:

If you are a trainee and wish to have your poster judged for a basic science or clinical research poster award, you must attend the conference to present your poster in person and be a member of the Canadian Pain Society. During your submission process indicate if you are a trainee. Regular Research posters and Moderated posters by trainees will be considered and reviewed on Friday May 25th for Best Clinical Research and Best Basic Research posters.

CHOOSE ONE CATEGORY ONLY:

Regular Research Poster – NOVEMBER 30, 2011

Submissions are invited on any aspect of pain research. The poster format allows presenters and registrants to informally discuss research findings.

Moderated Poster Presentations – OCTOBER 15, 2011

Researchers will be provided with an opportunity to present their poster orally during the Attended Poster Session on Friday May 25th or Saturday May 26th. Up to 6 Researchers will have an opportunity to speak at their poster for a 10 minute maximum including questions. Please indicate "Consider for Moderated Poster Presentation" on your submission if you would like to be considered, and choose the option during your online submission. Submissions that are not selected for a moderated presentation will be then reviewed for a Regular Research Poster presentation.

Oral Presentations (Data Blitz)– OCTOBER 15, 2011

Researchers will be provided with an opportunity to present their data orally in one of the concurrent sessions. Up to 6 researchers will have this opportunity to present for a maximum of 10 minutes. Please indicate "Consider for Oral Presentation" on your submission if you would like to be considered, and choose this option online during the submission process. Oral Presentations by trainees are not considered for the Poster Awards. Submissions that are not selected for an oral presentation will be then reviewed for a Regular Research Poster presentation.

Hot Topics in Pain Research – Trainee Presentations – OCTOBER 15, 2011

Submissions are invited from trainees on any topic of pain research. The abstract should be of very high quality with the emphasis being on novel findings. Four abstracts will be selected for an 8 minute oral presentation by each presenter during the program on Friday May 25th. Eligible trainees must be registered in a university degree program at the time of research submission. Trainee submissions that are not selected for hot topic presentations will be then reviewed for Regular Research Poster presentations.

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