

Abstract Submission for the British Thoracic Society 2019 Winter Meeting.

Closing date for acceptance of submissions: **23:59 on Monday 15th July 2019**

To submit your abstract you will need to log in, or register to use the website if you have not done so before. You will then need to follow the Abstract submission button on the Winter Meeting 2019 page.

Before you submit your abstract, please note the following information:

1. Your abstract text should be a maximum of 350 words, and you will be allowed to include one table or one figure only. Please note that this is an ABSTRACT, not a full paper.
2. When you have completed all fields and submitted your abstract you will receive an email confirming that your abstract has been received. Please note that your abstract is saved to the system when you click the Submit Abstract button. If you return to edit your abstract and then click Submit Abstract, the amended version of your abstract will be saved to the system. You will be able to return to your abstract at any time up to the closing date in order to check or edit your abstract. You will not be able to edit your abstract when the closing date has passed so **please check your submission carefully to ensure that the content is correct and that there are no errors in author names or institutions.**
3. If your abstract is accepted, the author names will appear in the printed programme and abstract book in the order that appears in the author list in the submitted abstract. If the 'Main Contact' is one of the authors, this name must also be included in the list of authors. **Please check that all authors appear in the correct order- we suggest that you view the submitted abstract once it is submitted so that you can see how the information will appear.**
4. A 'blind' selection process will be used so please do not include identifying features such as names of authors, hospital trusts, universities and other institutions, or towns and cities, within the text of your abstract. This detail is recorded in the appropriate fields during the submission process.
5. If accepted, your abstract will be printed in the BTS Winter Meeting Programme and Abstract book which is published as a supplement to Thorax. Your abstract will not be copy-edited - please ensure that any unusual abbreviations are defined and that you have checked the text of your submission carefully.
6. If your abstract is accepted, **one of the authors must attend** the Winter Meeting. The abstract should not be submitted if the authors know this is not possible.
7. Please do NOT submit multiple abstracts that have been created out of material from a single study, or abstracts that contain previously published data. Failure to adhere to this request will result in such abstracts being rejected.
8. Encore abstracts may be submitted provided they have only been presented at **one** meeting previously, e.g. ERS or ATS. The author should send an e-mail to abstracts@brit-thoracic.org.uk detailing when and where their abstract had been previously presented.

Thank you for supporting the Winter Meeting this year.

BTS Head Office

BTS/BALR/BLF Early Career Investigator Competition 2019

These prestigious prizes are highly competitive and are awarded to the very best basic, translational or clinical research performed in the UK respiratory community by early career investigators. The prizes are awarded based on the quality and content of the research performed, the quality of the abstract submitted and in short-listed candidates, the quality of the oral presentation given at the Early Career Investigators Symposium at the BTS Winter Meeting 2019.

Eligibility:

- Clinicians, Scientists and Professionals allied to Medicine, usually under 35 years old at the time of abstract submission.
- Medical Students should not submit their abstracts to this category but if of appropriate quality to the separate category for Best Medical Student Abstract.
- Abstracts can be submitted by the first author in their name, if they contain a substantial body of unpublished scholarly work generated during a period of dedicated research training such that would form part of a fellowship, MSc, MD or PhD or equivalent period of post-doctoral study.
- Abstracts of the appropriate level would be expected to lead to one or more peer-reviewed journal publications in due course. Uncontrolled clinical trials, audits and case reports are not considered appropriate for this competition.

Applicants will normally be under 35 although there will be some researchers who have taken career breaks and the Society encourages them to apply also.

Medical Student Competition 2019

These prestigious prizes are highly competitive and are awarded to the very best basic, translational or clinical research performed in the UK respiratory community by Medical students. The prizes are awarded based on the quality and content of the research performed and the quality of the abstract submitted.

Eligibility:

- Entrants must be medical students at the time the work was conducted.
- **Uncontrolled clinical trials, audits and case reports are not appropriate for this competition.**

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