



CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

World Ophthalmology Congress® 2020 (WOC2020) of the International Council of Ophthalmology

IMPORTANT DATES

| Description | Date |
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| Abstract Submission OPENS | 1 August 2019 |
| Abstract DEADLINE | 2 December 2019 (23:59 CET) |
| Abstract NOTIFICATION | 27 January 2020 |
| Presenter Registration DEADLINE | 17 February 2020 (early bird fee) |

REGISTRATION

Registration is **compulsory** and must be completed by the early bird registration deadline, February 17, 2020 in order to be able to present the abstract.

ONLINE SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS

Presenting authors can submit one abstract only but can be co-author of other abstracts.

Style

- **Maximum character limit:** 2500
- **Languages of submission:** English, French
- **Title Format:** Abstract titles are limited to 120 characters or less. The title should be dynamic and conclusive, rather than descriptive, and should be entered in title case format. In general, you should capitalize only the first letter of each word unless it is a preposition or article
- **Content Format:** Objective, Methods, Results and Conclusion
- **Supplemental figures/tables/references are not permitted**

PRESENTATION TYPES

1. Oral communication

Selected oral presentations will be organized around central subspecialties or topics in various sessions.

2. Instruction Course

An instruction course provides active and in-depth learning. Participants will engage an issue, learn a new and tangible skill, or develop an action plan or other activity where hands-on learning is integral. The learning experience should encourage the participants to ask questions and fully engage in the learning process. Participants should leave the session with information to share with their home institutions.

Abstracts submitted in this category might be selected for a full session or organized in conjunction with other abstracts.

3. E-Poster

Electronic display of the latest research results in the field of study. E-Poster authors will be asked to submit their E-Poster in advance, which will be made available for viewing at computer stations within the E-Poster/E-Video area on site throughout the Congress. A select number of accepted E-Posters will be programmed into E-Poster Pods. The presenting author will have an opportunity to give a short oral presentation to an audience.

4. E-videos

E-videos are short films of one to five minutes in length. E-Videos can include presentations of a new examination, investigation, or technique or presentation of an interesting case and how it was managed. E-Video presenters will be required to use the same E-Video that was accepted.

TOPICS

You may submit your abstract under any one of the topics below:

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| Cataract and Lens Surgery | Medical Retina | Orbital, Oculoplastic, and Lacrimal Diseases |
| Contact Lens and Refraction | Neuro-ophthalmology | Pediatric Ophthalmology and Strabismus |
| Cornea, External Eye Diseases, and Eye Banking | Ocular Imaging (incl. Artificial Intelligence) | Refractive Surgery |
| Cutting Edge Ophthalmology | Ophthalmic Education | Small Incision Cataract Surgery |
| Evidence-Based Medicine | Ophthalmic Epidemiology | Surgical Retina |
| Eye Care Delivery | Ocular Oncology | Uveitis |
| Glaucoma | Ocular Trauma | Vision Rehabilitation |
| Interdisciplinary | Ophthalmic Pathology and Microbiology | Visual Sciences |
| International Ophthalmology | Ophthalmic Pharmacology | |

PRESENTER AGREEMENT

All presenting authors must agree to the following conditions when submitting an abstract:

1. Any work with human or animal subjects reported in the abstract complies with the guiding principles for experimental procedures found in the Declaration of Helsinki of the World Medical

Association, and this research project has been duly cleared by my Institutional Review Board (IRB) or the ICO Ethics Committee.

2. If the abstract is accepted, the ICO has permission to publish the abstract in printed and/or electronic formats.

3. Register for the meeting and pay the appropriate registration fee by the presenter registration deadline of February 17, 2020.

4. By submitting an abstract to the ICO, and in consideration for the opportunity to be included in the WOC presentations, the author(s) of the abstract hereby provides to the ICO a non-exclusive, irrevocable, worldwide, royalty-free license to use the abstract in the ICO's electronic mediums and printed materials.

5. The author(s) grants the permission to reproduce his/her image (including photos) to create documentation to be published on the internet (including streaming) and to make the audio/video recording (synchro recording system), and photographs of the presentation to produce educational materials. The presentation will be reproduced in full compliance with its contents both in terms of scientific results and information, associated with the image and the data of the undersigned.

ACCEPTANCE NOTIFICATION

All abstracts received by the indicated deadline will be evaluated by the Scientific Program Committee. Acceptance will be notified to the submitting author by **27 January 2020**.

THANK YOU

The International Council of Ophthalmology thanks you for your interest in the WOC2020. We look forward to seeing you in Cape Town! For any questions, please contact the WOC2020 Organizing Secretariat at WOC@icowoc.org.