

ASPO Abstract Submission Instructions

Submission can be found at: www.aspo.org/annual-meeting

44th Annual ASPO Meeting, March 22-24, 2020 - For Submission of Presented papers and Posters at the 44th Annual ASPO meeting at the Marriott Tucson University Park, Tucson, AZ.

SUBMISSION DEADLINE: Monday, November 11, 2019 at 11:59pm EST (notification of acceptance will be mid-January 2020). There is no fee to submit an abstract. Detail instructions are also available when you click to SUBMIT ABSTRACT.

ASPO encourages members and non-members to submit an abstract for consideration as either an oral or poster presentation. All abstracts must be **data-driven**.

A special category of abstracts this year is Financial Hardship Associated with Cancer. Studies are invited that address the topics relevant to the following:

- Methodological approaches and empirical studies for documenting financial hardship associated with cancer prevention and control (to include prevention, screening and detection, diagnosis and treatment, maintenance therapies, palliative and supportive care, and end-of-life care)
- Interventions (behavioral, healthcare delivery, or multilevel) that seek to improve financial problems associated with cancer
- Qualitative and mixed methods studies that seek to understand how financial hardship associated with cancer manifests among patients, family members and caregivers.

We are particularly interested in research related to disparities in financial hardship outcomes and/or focused on potentially underserved populations (e.g., racial and ethnic minorities, low SES, rural, sexual or gender minorities, uninsured, or low health literacy).

Abstracts are sought in the following topic areas:

1. Behavioral Science & Health Communication
2. Cancer Health Disparities
3. Early Detection & Risk Prediction
4. Global Cancer Research
5. Lifestyles Behavior, Energy Balance & Chemoprevention
6. Molecular Epidemiology & Environment
7. Survivorship & Health Outcomes/Comparative Effectiveness Research
8. Financial Hardship Associated with Cancer

ASPO abstract review process is:

- The 2020 ASPO Program Committee will review all abstracts and rank them based on a merit scoring system.
- Twenty-four high ranking abstracts will be selected for oral presentation during proffered paper sessions.
- The top 16 abstracts will be published in the March 2020 issue of *Cancer Epidemiology, Biomarkers and Prevention*.
- The next 40 top-ranked abstracts will be identified for further judging during the poster session.

- In the event of receiving more abstracts than our poster space can hold, some abstracts will be accepted for on-line viewing only at www.aspo.org.

Please adhere to the following instructions to receive full consideration:

1. List title of abstract in Title box,
2. List authors (last name first initial) in Author box,
3. Select relevant topic area,
4. Indicate preference for oral presentation or poster and if the corresponding author is a trainee (pre-doc, post-doc)
5. Provide a structured abstract (up to 2300 characters including spaces) with these sections:
 - a) Purpose of the study (one sentence if possible)
 - b) Methods;
 - c) Results (adequate to support conclusion);
 - d) Conclusions (Do not use phrases such as “The results will be discussed”).
 - e) No illustrations are permitted in this section.
6. List 2-3 Key words

It is NOT possible to save partially completed abstracts. Therefore, we recommend that the complete document be prepared and finalized in a word processor, then cut and pasted into the appropriate fields. **Please note that it will not be possible to edit an abstract after it has been submitted.**

****IMPORTANT**** If you do not receive a confirmation email (check your spam box also) after submitting your abstract with the text exactly as you submitted, please email: info@aspo.org

If your abstract is accepted, the corresponding author (or designated co-author) must register and attend the ASPO conference; otherwise, the abstract will be withdrawn.

Travel Awards – ASPO offers 3 travel award categories. Please mark which one(s) you would like to be considered for at the time of abstract submission:

1. The Electra Paskett Travel Award is given for the top ranking abstract submitted by either a pre or postdoctoral fellow. It will cover registration and up to \$1,500 of travel related expenses to ASPO 2020. This award is named in honor of ASPO's past president for her outstanding commitment to mentorship and training and in recognition of her visionary leadership.
2. ASPO Travel Awards for Pre- and Post-doc trainees (5 will be awarded). The awards will cover registration and up to \$1500 of travel related expenses to the ASPO conference. These awards are funded by ASPO.
3. The Calle/Rodriguez Memorial Minority Travel Award is given for two top ranking abstracts submitted by either a full-time graduate or medical students, residents, clinical or postdoctoral fellows, or junior faculty members **from groups considered to be underrepresented in cancer research (African-Americans, Hispanic-Americans, Native-Americans, Native Pacific Islanders/Hawaiians, and Alaska Natives), as defined by the NCI.** Each award will cover \$1,500 of travel related expenses to the ASPO conference. This award is named in honor of Dr. Jeanne Calle and Dr. Carmen Rodriguez who were outstanding scientists; valued colleagues and committed mentors to many at the American Cancer Society.

Thank you for your interest in the American Society of Preventive Oncology!