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MALCOLM FISHER PRIZE - ABSTRACT GUIDELINES

The Organising Committee invites prospective authors to submit their abstracts for the Joint ANZAAG/ISPAR Symposium from 15-17 November. The meeting will be held in-person in Melbourne, Australia.

Malcolm Fisher Prize:

The Malcolm Fisher Prize, worth A\$1000, recognises the best presentation of original research, service evaluation, quality improvement or case series relating to perioperative allergy/anaphylaxis. The prize will be awarded to the author of the best presentation judged in terms of originality, scientific rigor, and quality of presentation.

- Abstracts will only be considered for the Malcolm Fisher Prize if they contain novel data that has not been published in a journal at the time of abstract submission.
- The authors of the 5 best abstracts will be invited to present in person in the Malcolm Fisher Prize Session.
- Following the assessment of abstracts by the Abstract Review Committee, the authors will be notified by Monday 16 September if they are one of the 5 selected to present in the Malcolm Fisher Prize Session, or if they have been selected to submit an ePoster.
- To encourage trainees and junior researchers to submit an abstract, we will provide some financial assistance to those authors selected to present in person at the symposium. This will be done on a case-by-case basis.

Abstract submissions are invited in the following categories:

- Original research
- Case series
- Service evaluation
- Quality improvement

Abstract format

Word limit: Excluding title and headings, authors (full given first name and family name) and institution, the abstract must not exceed 3500 characters and spaces (approximately 600 words). In MS Word, this count can be determined from the 'tools menu'. Any references must be included in this allowance. The abstract should not contain images or tables.

Abstract title: The abstract title must be in sentence case [initial Capital followed by lower case], e.g. The online abstract submission. The title should be brief and descriptive.

Author information: Author and co-author names (full given (first) name and family name, affiliations, cities, and countries).

Abstract text: All abstracts must be written using the following format:

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Original research, service evaluation, quality improvement abstracts should:

- Start with an untitled introductory paragraph and be followed by the following headings (in bold)
- Methods
- Results
- Discussion
- Acknowledgements
- References (maximum of three)
- References should be cited within the body of the abstract, using the following format [1], [2, 3]. Superscript references should not be used.

A case series abstract should:

- Start with an untitled introductory paragraph and be followed by the following headings in bold.
 - Description
 - Discussion
 - Acknowledgements
 - References (maximum of three)
- References should be cited within the body of the abstract, using the following format [1], [2, 3]. Superscript references should not be used.

You should ensure that you obtain the relevant consent and approvals before submitting your abstract and ensure your abstract meets all consent and ethics requirements applicable to your institution and location.

Authors MUST include their ethics approval number, Clinical Trials Registry (if applicable).

Submission guidelines

Abstract submission: Authors are requested to submit their abstract in a PDF format to the ANZAAG [events team](#). Abstract submission will close at **midnight on Monday 12 August 2024**. Please note, we are unable to accept any abstract submissions after this date.

Acknowledgement of receipt: Upon submission, authors will receive confirmation by email. Please check your junk folder and contact the ANZAAG [Events team](#) or +61 3 95106299 if you do not receive a confirmation email.

Number of abstract submissions: Authors may submit more than one abstract.

Language: English is the official language of the meeting and should be used in both abstract submissions and presentations.

Review and selection: Abstracts will be reviewed by the Abstract Review Committee. Selection will be based upon; originality and interest; clinical and research content, and state of completeness.

Mode of presentation: after review and selection:

- The authors of the 5 best abstracts will be contacted and provided with details of the oral presentation format for the Malcolm Fisher Prize session.
- The authors of the abstracts selected for ePosters will be sent the ePoster format. ePosters will be available for viewing at the meeting as well as in the meeting app.

Notification of acceptance: Authors will be notified if their abstract has been accepted by **Monday 16 September 2024**.