



CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

The African Organisation for Research and Training in Cancer (AORTIC) invites abstracts for its biennial International Conference on Cancer in Africa. The 2019 conference will be convened under the theme “Cancer in Africa: Innovation, Strategies, Implementation” and the programme will feature a wide range of sessions, discussions, and networking opportunities with experts, researchers, and up-and-coming leaders in cancer control and care in Africa.

This is an opportunity to share your research with African and international colleagues who are actively working toward reducing the impact of cancer in Africa. Abstracts of both empirical and theoretical studies related to cancer are welcome, and researchers at all career stages are encouraged to submit one or more abstracts.

Abstracts will be peer reviewed. Acceptance will be based on content, available space, and overall programme balance.

GUIDELINES

Abstracts should be relevant to healthcare and social issues specific to cancer control and care in Africa. Abstracts must adequately describe the research performed to allow reviewers to evaluate the quality, originality, and thoroughness of the work.

ABSTRACT SPECIFICATIONS

- Abstracts may be submitted in English, French, or Portuguese.
- Choose a theme that best categorises the work:
 - Advocacy | Survivorship
 - Basic sciences | Biology | Biomarkers
 - Biomedical engineering
 - Chemotherapy | Systemic therapy
 - Education and training
 - Epidemiology
 - Haematology | Oncology
 - HIV-related cancers
 - Oncology nursing
 - Paediatric oncology
 - Palliative care | Psycho-oncology
 - Pathology | Genetics
 - Radiation oncology | Medical physics | Radiology
 - Registries | Economics | National Cancer Control Plans
 - Site-specific cancers
 - Surgery | Surgical oncology
 - Other

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- Abstract title should be typed in UPPER CASE. The title should define the topic and contain no abbreviations.
- In the body of the abstract, standard abbreviations need not be defined; other abbreviations and acronyms should be defined on first use.
- Abstracts should contain four sections:
 - OBJECTIVE: introductory sentence indicating the objective and purpose of the study.
 - METHODS: description of experimental procedures, including applicable statistical evaluation.
 - RESULTS: summary of the data and results.
 - CONCLUSIONS: statement of the study's conclusions.
- Generic names for pharmaceuticals, biologicals, and medical devices should be used in place of trade names. Trade names should only be used if equivalent products from multiple manufacturers are being compared.
- Overly commercial abstracts will not be accepted.
- Do not include graphics, photographs, or tables.
- Maximum word count for the body of the abstract is 300 words.
- Submissions may have one presenting author and up to six co-authors.
- The submitting author must be the presenting author. The submitting author's details must be entered first. All correspondence from the Programme Secretariat will be sent to submitting (presenting) author.
- The abstract will be listed under the submitting (presenting) author's name in the conference programme and the electronic abstract publication.
- Abstracts must be submitted electronically via the Call for Abstract Submission site [here](#).

PRESENTATION FORMAT

Authors of accepted abstracts will be invited to give an oral presentation or a poster presentation. While effort will be made to accommodate the author's preference in presentation format, the final decision will rest with the Scientific Programme Committee.

Oral abstracts will be grouped by theme and presented in the Oral Abstract sessions. Authors will have eight minutes for presentation followed by two minutes for discussion.

Authors chosen for a poster session will be given two days to display their poster, with a dedicated poster session.

All accepted abstracts will be published in the electronic abstract publication under the submitting (presenting) author's name.

HOW TO SUBMIT AN ABSTRACT

- Prepare your abstract to the above specifications.
- Refer to the [Submission Guide](#) should you need assistance. The submission system is in English, but the Submission Guide in [French](#) and [Portuguese](#) is there to assist non-English first language speakers.
- Access the submission site via the abstract submission button below, or through the [conference website](#).
- Complete all compulsory fields and enter your abstract.
- Carefully check your personal and contact details and your abstract. Abstracts will be published "as is" with no editing.

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- Check your email for your submission confirmation.
- Changes may be made until **31 March 2019**. To make changes, follow the instructions in the submission confirmation email.

Please note that abstracts must be submitted electronically and submissions via email will not be accepted.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

The AORTIC 2019 Scientific Programme Committee reserves the right to not accept any abstracts that do not meet the criteria and standards of AORTIC 2019.

The AORTIC 2019 Scientific Programme Committee reserves the right to publish all abstracts. Excerpts of the abstracts may be published for promotional purposes and abstracts will be published electronically as part of the AORTIC 2019 conference proceedings.

The acceptance of an abstract for AORTIC 2019 confers no promise of funds nor offer of financial assistance. Authors remain responsible for all registration fees, travel, accommodation, visa and insurance costs.

Successful presenting authors must register by 30 June 2019 or they will forfeit their place in the programme.

[SUBMIT ABSTRACT](#)

IMPORTANT DATES

Call for abstracts: 29 January 2019
Abstract submission deadline: 31 March 2019
Bursary application deadline: 31 March 2019
Authors notified: Mid-June 2019
Presenting authors must register by: 30 June 2019

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