

WHAT SHOULD BE INCLUDED IN YOUR ABSTRACT?

To ensure that you include all information necessary for your submission, please follow the outlines below when preparing your abstract.

CLINICAL SUBMISSIONS

- Abstract text (300 words max)
 - Abstract text must be organized into the following sections:
 - Aim of investigation
 - Methods
 - Results
 - Conclusions
- Tables or illustrations may not be included in abstracts, but may appear on the poster or within the oral presentation, if accepted.
 - *Drug names need to be listed in the following manner:* Generic name is first and NOT capitalized (unless at the beginning of the sentence or bullet point), and the trade name follows in parentheses and IS capitalized
- Acknowledgments
 - If applicable, abstracts should include an acknowledgement section, e.g. listing grant support with grant number detail.

RESEARCH SUBMISSIONS

Research submissions must include the following content in order to be submitted as “research”. Otherwise, the submission will be evaluated in the “clinical” submissions category. Please include these section titles in the abstract of your submission.

- **PURPOSE:** State the type of study (i.e. quantitative/qualitative/mixed methods), the problem that led to the research and the purpose of the research, including specific aims/conceptual framework of the research. Briefly indicate the significance of the research (i.e. why is it important?). Indicate whether this study met the criteria for your institution’s human subjects protection policy (ethics committee/IRB). Abstracts will not be accepted without a statement in the abstract or documentation about IRB or ethics committee approval.
- **METHODS:** State the research question and the study design. Also briefly describe the study sample, setting and procedures for conducting the study.
- **RESULTS:** Briefly describe findings from the perspective of the research question.
- **CONCLUSION:** Briefly state conclusions to include ideas for future study and comments about the relevance or significance of this study to persons involved in pain management.
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