Abstract submission guidelines & Abstracts Requirements

Abstracts should meet **all of the following specifications** in order to be considered for ISDF 2023

- Language
Abstracts should be written in English. Abstracts will be published exactly as submitted. We kindly ask you to proofread abstracts carefully to avoid errors before they are submitted.

- Title
Each abstract should have a brief descriptive title of maximally 20 words and should be written in sentence case. Trademarks are not allowed in the abstract title.

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Names, institutional affiliations, cities, and countries of all contributing authors should be provided. A maximum of 15 authors per abstract is allowed. Authors' first name and middle name (if any) initials, followed by his or her last name as entered, will appear on the abstract when it will be published. Authors names will appear in the order entered by the submitting author. The presenting author (not necessarily the first author) should be identified. All communications regarding an abstract will go to the submitting author, irrespective the designation of the presenting author.
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- Text
The abstract text should not exceed 350 words. If an illustration (one allowed) is uploaded for inclusion in the abstract, the word count should be diminished by 100 words. If the word count is not reduced adequately, the ISDF 2023 organizers reserve the right to omit the illustration from the published abstract.

The abstract must include the following:
Background/Aim: Clearly state the purpose of the abstract.
Methods: Describe your selection of observations or experimental subjects clearly.
Results: Present your results in a logical sequence in text, table and illustrations.
Conclusions: Emphasize new and important aspects of the study (perhaps as a discussion section) and the conclusions that are drawn from them.

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All abbreviations must be defined in first use.

Statements such as "results will be discussed" or "data will be presented" cannot be accepted.

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- <u>Illustration</u>
  One figure/table/photograph may be added to an abstract. Submit graphical illustrations in jpg format and make reference to the illustration in the abstract text. Provide a brief caption for your illustration. In case an illustration is uploaded, reduce the abstract word count by 100 words.

- <u>References</u>
  A maximum of five literature references may be added at the end of the abstract text. State only the first author's name and bibliography (not the title of the paper) of each reference.

- <u>Acknowledgements</u>
  Mention all sources of funding of the work described and other acknowledgements briefly at the end of the abstract text. References and acknowledgements are included in the 350 word count for the abstract text.

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  When asked to select an abstract topic from the pull-down menu, select the abstract topic matching the content of your abstract best. If none of the pre-specified topics applies to your abstract, while it fits the scope of ISDF 2023, select "Other". The organizers reserve the right to change abstract topics for the purpose of poster scheduling.

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  Provide at least three specific keywords, describing the content of your abstract for scheduling and indexing purposes. Avoid general terms.

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