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Call for Posters & Oral Presentations

New Submission Deadline: 14 February 2011

The INS Scientific Advisory Board invites you to submit abstracts for papers to be presented at the Society's Congress London, England.

General Information

The INS Scientific Advisory Board has reserved room on the program for free oral presentations in addition to poster sessions. Each oral presenter will be allowed 8 minutes of lecture time, 8 slides, and a 2-minute question and answer period. Please check the appropriate box on the submission form to indicate whether or not your proposal should be considered for oral presentation or only for poster presentation. The committee will accept a total of 55 oral presentations.

Topics for the free oral presentations include:

- 1. Spinal Cord Stimulation and Peripheral Nerve Stimulation
- 2. Stimulation of the Brain
- Intrathecal Therapies
- 4. Novel Stimulation Uses
- 5. Functional Electrical Stimulation

Submissions are not limited to the topics listed above.

Paper abstracts previously presented or published may not be submitted without modification. Original work must be changed or expanded, resulting in a **new** abstract.

The Scientific Advisory Board recognizes that submissions of high quality, accepted for presentation at this meeting, should be acknowledged. All accepted abstracts will be published on the Society's website. INS will retain the copyright of published abstracts. All authors are also encouraged to submit full manuscripts to the journal *Neuromodulation: Technology at the Neural Interface* at http://mc.manuscriptcentral.com/ner.

Meeting Registration Guidelines for Presenters

Oral free paper and poster presenters <u>must register for the meeting and pay the applicable registration fee</u>, as INS will not waive the registration fee. Presenters are also responsible for all personal expenses (e.g., travel, hotel). You are encouraged to register for the meeting and to reserve hotel accommodations as early as possible to ensure that space is available.

For registration and hotel information, please contact:

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register.inslondon@gmail.com

Policy on Commercial Support

Policy on Commercial Support: Presentations must avoid commercialism. Presentations that constitute promotion and advertising will not be accepted. If the cost of a presentation has been underwritten to any extent, a clear acknowledgement stating the support and identifying the source should be included in the abstract (e.g., "The support of [corporation or institution] for this project is gratefully acknowledged."). Statements made in presentations are the sole responsibility of the author or presenter. Statements should not be viewed as or considered representative of any formal stance or position taken on any subject, issue, or product by the International Neuromodulation Society.

Selection Criteria: Submissions will be reviewed and rated by members of the Scientific Advisory Board who have expertise in the clinical area to which the submission belongs. Each submission will be reviewed for its scientific or clinical importance, ethical practice, and study design.

Submission Information

- Oral and poster presentations are limited to one (1) primary presenter.
- Use the recommended abstract format: Objective; Materials and Methods; Results; Discussion; and Conclusions.
- In 400 words or less, provide an accurate, succinct, and informative representation of the content that will be
 presented in the paper. The abstract communicates the essence of the presentation to the intended
 audience
- Do not use abbreviations. Type in sentence case. Do not use all caps.
- Do not use the ampersand character (&) unless it is part of the company name.
- Proofread for typographical, grammar, and syntax errors.
- Images must be AT LEAST 300 dpi, as lower resolution images will not print well.

Abstracts must be submitted via the electronic abstract submission system at www.neuromodulation.com/page/inscongress

Notification of Acceptance or Rejection of Submissions

Primary presenters of abstract submissions will be notified by mail of the proposals' acceptance or rejection in March 2011. Presenters will be required to complete a presenter information form and faculty disclosure form.

All questions should be directed to inscongress@neuromodulation.com.

Poster Guidelines

Mounting and Removing Materials

We will provide you with a poster board on which to display your materials. Materials should be on thin poster paper or cardboard – anything heavier will not stay in position. You will be provided with pins or Velcro dots with which to fasten your poster to the board.

- Please do not write, paint, or use double-faced tape on the poster boards.
- Do not leave anything on the floor near or under the poster board once it is set up. Anything on the floor is a safety hazard, and any losses are not the responsibility of the Societies.
- Please note that projection equipment, videotape recorders, and electrical outlets will not be available in the poster session area.
- Follow the established schedule for set-up and tear down times. Any losses incurred by late tear down are the
 responsibility of the poster presenter.

Poster Format

- 1. The poster board surface area is 1.3 m / 4 ft high and 2 m / 6 ft wide.
- Prepare a label for the top of your poster indicating the title, authors, and institutional affiliations. Please also include acknowledgment of any and all project funding and conflicts of interest. Lettering should be at least 2.5 cm / 1 in high.
- It is best to arrange written materials in columns.
 Text should supplement graphics -- the poster is primarily a visual, rather than a written presentation. It is helpful to use arrows to indicate the direction in which the poster is meant to be viewed.
- 4. An introduction should be placed at the upper left corner and a conclusion at the lower right corner, both in large type.
- 5. No materials should extend beyond the perimeters of the board (above, below, or on the sides).
- 6. Use the board assigned to you and do not move the location of your poster.

Illustrations

Be advised that illustrations will be viewed from a distance of .7 m / 2 ft or more. The sequence of illustrations should be indicated with numbers or letters at least 2.5 cm / 1 in high, preferably in bold font.

Each figure or table should have a heading of one or two lines in large type stating the point of its message. Detailed information can be provided in a legend in small type below the figure. These legends should be brief, yet informative. Charts, drawings, and illustrations might be similar to those used in making slides, although preferably simpler (avoiding unnecessary details) and more heavily drawn. Keep everything as clear as possible.

General Information

Your poster should be self-explanatory so that you are free to supplement and discuss particular points raised by viewers. The poster session offers the perfect opportunity for informal discussion, but discussion becomes difficult if you have to devote your time to explaining your poster.

Tentative Poster Schedule

Poster sessions are planned for the following times, during which authors are requested to be present.

