

ACRO 2026: The Radiation Oncology Summit
February 4-7, 2026



ABSTRACT SUBMISSIONS GUIDELINES AND INSTRUCTIONS

- **Abstract system opens for ALL submissions: Friday, July 25, 2025.**
 - Physician/clinical abstracts are accepted for a variety of topics, including, but not limited to, Breast; CNS; GI; GU; GYN; Head/Neck; Lymphoma/Hematology; Thoracic; Benign/Palliative; Contouring, Safety & QA; Job Market, Business, Education & Diversity; Physics/Dosimetry/Technology.
 - *For submissions on ACRO Grant-supported initiatives*, please use the submission portal, and mark both the type and category as such.
 - Abstracts to be considered for the SEAL Program should use this submission portal, and mark both the type and category as such. The SEALs are RadOnc non-physician leaders: administrators, lead therapists, nurses, and dosimetrists, and others in leadership roles. Topics generally of interest to this group are Recruiting, Staff Engagement and Development, Leadership, Quality Initiatives, Safety, and Patient Experience.
- **Deadline for abstract submissions: Friday, October 3, 2025 at 11:59 PM Pacific Time.**
- Authors will be notified of acceptance/rejection no later than **November 10, 2025**.
- ALL accepted abstracts will be invited to participate in the ACRO Summit in some form, whether by printed poster, quick-pitch oral or full oral presentation. Those details will be included in the acceptance letters. **The top-scoring abstracts in categories/disease sites that are represented in the Summit's scientific program *may* be chosen for an oral presentation DURING that corresponding plenary session.**
- Acceptance of the abstract obligates the author to attend the event, pay the meeting registration fee, and present the research. If circumstances prevent attendance, you must notify ACRO and arrange for an alternate presenter, preferably a co-author. The representative presenting the abstract must register no later than **December 1, 2025**. If you are not already an ACRO member, please be sure to fill out the [online membership form](#) prior to registering for the meeting to take advantage of members-only discounted registration fees.
- Submission of an abstract conveys permission for abstract to be posted online and on the event app.
- Abstracts of impactful prospective clinical trials in progress allow investigators to present ongoing trials, develop collaborations, foster accrual, and discuss trial correlatives. Abstracts of such trials in progress will be considered for poster only. Case reports that provide strong educational value and describe particularly novel presentations, treatment outcomes, or toxicities can be considered for poster only.

Restrictions:

- *If the abstract has been previously published as a manuscript in a journal*, it will not be acceptable for the Radiation Oncology Summit 2025. If the abstract has previously been presented at another national meeting (e.g., ASTRO), it is eligible for submission to the ACRO Radiation Oncology Summit. For such cases, expanded analyses or updated data are encouraged.
- **Industry Submissions:** The ACRO Summit does not accept industry-supported abstracts or posters.

Important Information! Please read before trying to access the system.

How to Submit an Abstract:

1. For each abstract that you submit for consideration, you MUST use the online submission system found [here](#).

The text of your abstract must be entered in the text field in the submission form. A Word document abstract sent by email will not be accepted. It is advisable to create the abstract first in Word on the hard drive of your computer, then 'cut and paste' the full abstract into the field of the submission form.

2. If you have not used the Cadmium Abstracts system previously, you will need to set up a new submitter account. To log in as a registered submitter (NOT a NEW submitter), enter your email address and the password you chose when you registered with the system.
3. If you are submitting more than one abstract, you can use the same email address and password for each abstract.
4. When you click the "log in" button, you will be taken to a screen from which the submission process starts. Please read the instructions on this screen carefully.
5. Each abstract must NOT exceed 450 words (including references). If you try to submit more than 450 words, the system will notify you that you have exceeded the limit and will only accept the first 450 words. The title does not count against the 450-word limit; however, tables do count against the limit.
6. Please use the standard scientific format of Purpose, Methodology, Results, Conclusions. References, if used, should be limited to no more than four references. The submission form provides separate fields for you to enter these sections of your abstract and the text entered in all those fields, combined, will be limited to 450 words.
7. Once you have completed your abstract entry, click the "Submit" button. If you have answered all the mandatory questions, including disclosure of potential conflicts of interest, your abstract will be assigned a reference number and you will receive an email confirming that your abstract was successfully submitted. If you have not answered all the mandatory questions, your abstract will be held in temporary storage until you complete all questions. Abstracts that are in temporary storage and not submitted will not be considered for acceptance. Please refer to the reference number if you need to contact the ACRO office regarding your submission.

Amending a Submission:

If you wish to change your answers to any questions on the submission form or to the abstract itself before the deadline of October 3, 2025, you will need to:

- Log in to the submission system and click the button that says, "Amend a Previous Submission."
- You will see a list of the abstracts that you have submitted. Click on the abstract that you wish to change.
- The process of amending an abstract is the same as the original submission process, except that the submission form will be automatically filled in with the answers that you gave previously. You do not have to change an answer if you do not want to.
- If you want to change your abstract, either edit it directly OR delete the abstract in the system and cut and paste the updated version as you did initially. If you do not want to change the abstract, just press "Submit" to bypass this step.
- When you reach the final step and press "Submit," you will be sent an email confirming that your abstract has been amended – provided you have answered all the mandatory questions.

Withdrawing an Abstract or Assistance with Trouble Submitting:

If you wish to withdraw an abstract, or if you have problems or questions, please email ACRO at sallie@acro.org.