January 10, 2023  Symposia abstract submission system opens
February 17, 2023  Deadline for symposia submissions
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June 1, 2023  Late-breaking undergraduate student poster submission system opens
July 7, 2023  Deadline for late-breaking undergraduate student poster submissions

The Society for Psychophysiological Research (SPR) is pleased to announce its call for submission of abstracts to be considered for presentation at its Annual Meeting in New Orleans, LA, on September 27 to October 1, 2023. This year’s program features keynote addresses by Edward Chang (Weil Institute for Neuroscience), Rita Z. Goldstein (Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai), and Luiz Pessoa (University of Maryland).

We encourage submission of abstracts describing new research on the interrelationships between the physiological and psychological aspects of behavior. Abstracts must be written in understandable English and will be evaluated on the basis of scientific merit by peer review. Abstracts should report original data that will not be published elsewhere prior to the meeting, although presentation at a recent meeting (e.g., within a year) of another society is acceptable.

Submissions should cover primarily methods and results, although contributions with a theoretical or methodological emphasis are welcome. Studies for which results are not apparent or which do not include physiological measures are not appropriate and will not be considered for inclusion in the program.

Symposia Submissions
Symposia are designed for the presentation of several talks related to a common area of research. In addition to scientific excellence, the Program Committee will strongly consider diversity of the panels—including representation of diverse methods, laboratories, and people. We will give highest priority to proposals that reflect interdisciplinary approaches to a topic and represent contributions from multiple laboratories. Inclusion of senior members, as well
as a junior member is also encouraged. In addition, the Program Committee will strongly consider appropriate representation of women and underrepresented minorities in the composition of the panels when selecting symposia. If necessary, the committee will be happy to work with the organizer to suggest additional presenters within a similar content area to ensure the diversity of the scientific program and participants.

Symposia should have a well-defined focus with all participants addressing the same problem area. If a discussant is included, they should be familiar with all of the papers and be prepared to evaluate and integrate the material presented rather than present new data. The time allotted to symposia will be 90 minutes. Symposium organizers should ensure that the number of participants allows time for the presentations, discussant’s remarks, and questions from the audience.

Prepare a summary abstract of the symposium as a whole (less than 1,600 characters, including spaces). The 1,600-character limit applies to the abstract body only and DOES NOT include the title, authors, and optional funding source information. Provide a concise description of your proposed presentation in narrative form. (If the submitting author is also an author on the abstract, please be sure to include their name and contact information in the list of authors.) Prepare 3-4 (maximum of 5) separate abstracts for each paper in the symposium.

The symposium chair will be responsible for corresponding with each presenter. The SPR International Office will send all correspondence to the symposium chair only.

Evaluations of symposia by the Program Committee will be based on a summary abstract submitted by the organizer(s) and individual abstracts prepared by each participant. The maximum number of abstracts that may be submitted for a symposium is six (one overall abstract and a maximum of five supporting abstracts). Symposia including five presenters should be particularly attentive to ensuring there is still sufficient time for discussion.

**Poster Submissions**

The majority of submissions will be presented during Poster Sessions. Poster submissions are limited to two (2) First Author submissions per individual. Poster submissions for which the first author is a student (a graduate student, undergraduate student, or a pre-doctoral research assistant/associate) are eligible for a Student Poster Award. Only current SPR student members are eligible for this award. Judging for Student Poster Awards will take place at all poster sessions, and **awards will be presented during the Saturday Night Social.**

Provide a concise description of your study in narrative form. The 1,600-character limit applies to the abstract body only and DOES NOT include the title, authors, and optional funding source information. Data presented in the abstract as “work in progress” will not be considered for program inclusion.

Please note: If you are planning to be the presenting author of more than one abstract, you must be available to present each submission in a different poster session, if needed. All submissions will be considered available for presentation on any day of the meeting.

**Open Topic Symposia**

Individual presenters can opt to submit single talks. The Program Committee will select a subset of these submissions for inclusion (4-6 presenters for each topic) to maximize breadth of theoretical perspectives, methods, measurement approaches, and diversity of presenters.

The option for single talks is given when submitting the poster abstract. If not selected for the single talk, the submitter can always present the poster. Refer to the poster submission instructions for information about the formatting of your abstract.

**Topics**

Each submitting author will be asked to select one of the following topics in which his or her abstract submission will be reviewed.

Aging
Attention
Behavioral medicine
Biofeedback
Cognitive control/executive functions
Couples/family research
Decision making
Emotion/affect
Ergonomics
Genetics
Immunology
Individual differences
Infants/children/adolescents
Intervention research
Learning/conditioning
Memory
Motivation
Neurological disorders/neuropathology
Non-human animals
Pain
Personality
Pharmacology
Psychopathology
Quantitative specialty
Sensation/perception
Sleep
Social factors
Speech/language
Unconscious processes
Other
Abstract Submission Instructions

SPR uses an electronic process for the submission of abstracts. Submitting authors need Internet access and an email address.

When preparing an abstract for submission, please carefully follow the instructions below:

1. All abstracts must be prepared in plain text, in understandable English with no embedded symbols or formatting characters. Submissions may not include charts, graphs, tables, or references. Please spell out the symbols (alpha, beta, microns, picomolar, etc.) or translate them (mean, chi square, etc.) in your abstract submission.

2. Limit the abstract to 1,600 characters in length, including spaces. Abstracts longer than 1,600 characters will not be accepted. The 1,600-character limit applies to the abstract body only and DOES NOT include the title, authors, and optional funding source information.

3. If accepted, your author-prepared abstract will be published in a supplement to the journal, Psychophysiology, as it appears on your electronic submission. The SPR Program Chair, as Editor of the supplement, reserves the right to make editorial corrections to the submitted abstract, if necessary.

4. The corresponding author must register with the system before submitting an abstract. This is done to separate contact information from content. It also allows submitting of multiple abstracts without having to provide contact information for each one. You must provide a username and password when registering. This username and password will allow you to submit and edit your abstracts until the deadline of 11:59 p.m. (CDT) on February 17, 2023, for symposia, and on April 28, 2023, for posters. A confirmation email will be sent when you register and also when submitting or updating an abstract. If you do not receive a confirmation email after submitting your abstract, please contact the SPR Office at meetings@sprweb.org.

5. Carefully follow the website instructions:
   - Use capital letters for the title of the abstract.
   - List all authors first and then list the institution or affiliation.
   - Include full first and last names for each author.
   - Do not include author degrees.
   - Do not include a department or location (i.e., city, country). List the affiliation/institution in English (i.e., University of X).

6. Consider submitting your abstract earlier than the deadline. SPR welcomes early submissions!

7. Each corresponding author will receive an email confirmation within 24 hours of registration and abstract submission.

If you do not receive an email response within 24 hours, SPR did not receive your abstract. In this case, it is your responsibility to contact the SPR International Office by email at meetings@sprweb.org.

Questions?

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