Please review the following information if your abstract has been accepted for presentation as a poster.

A tack board, 4 ft. high x 8 ft. wide, will be provided for your poster (includes a 1 inch frame around the perimeter). The poster session will be located in Ballroom C at the Vancouver Convention Centre.

See the guidelines below that are recommended for preparation of your poster.

**Poster Schedule:**

**Sunday, November 5, 2017**
7:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.
Assemble your poster. The focused scientific poster session will begin at 9:30 a.m. on Sunday. Refer to the poster number that you received in your confirmation of acceptance to find your place in the ballroom.

**Tuesday, November 7, 2017**
3:30 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Dismantle poster by 4:00 p.m.

**ACVP will not be responsible for any posters left in the exhibit area after 4:00 p.m.**

Your poster will be available for viewing at the following times:

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Session chairs at the Focused Scientific Session platform presentations will be asking their attendees to visit the posters of their respective focused groups during the refreshment break. Please plan to be at your poster during the refreshment break times corresponding with the Focused Scientific Group platform presentations – Please see below for the corresponding refreshment breaks and when you need to be present at your poster:

- **Clinical Pathology Posters:** Refreshment Breaks on Tuesday morning
- **Diagnostic Pathology Posters:** Refreshment Breaks on Sunday afternoon
- **Experimental Disease Posters:** Refreshment Breaks on Tuesday afternoon
- **Industrial and Toxicologic Pathology Posters:** Refreshment Break on Sunday morning
- **Natural Disease Posters:** Refreshment Breaks on Sunday morning

**Personal interaction with meeting attendees is an optional, but important part of your poster presentation. If possible, please make yourself available at your poster during the morning and/or afternoon refreshment breaks, corresponding with the focused scientific platform presentations, to answer questions and interact with your colleagues.**
COMPOSITION OF A SUCCESSFUL SCIENTIFIC POSTER

A. The title of your presentation poster should remain exactly the same as originally submitted on the abstract.

B. Components to include are:
   - Title, authors, addresses (as originally submitted, if possible)
   - Abstract (encouraged)
   - Introduction
   - Objectives/hypothesis (numbered objectives are fine)
   - Materials and methods
   - Results
   - Brief discussion (including limitations, recommendations)
   - Conclusions (numbered conclusions are fine, related to objectives; status of hypothesis)

C. Clearly state the objectives at the start of the poster and the conclusions at the end. These two sections should be related to one another.

D. Abstract: The abstract should remain the same as originally submitted, if possible.

E. Introduction: Include only the minimal background information necessary to understand the project. If the poster describes an experiment, state a clear hypothesis. Hypotheses and/or objectives can be arranged as a list.

F. Materials and Methods: Be simple and to the point. This section should be much less detailed than in a manuscript. Use figures, tables, flow charts instead of text, if possible. Use limited references for complex procedures.

G. Results: In many cases, figures and well-written figure legends alone can represent your results. We are pathologists; we want to look at figures, not read lengthy descriptions.

H. Conclusions: Revisit your hypothesis and state whether it was supported by the results. Explain the relevance of your findings, even if it is a case report.

I. Be brief and simple. Do not include too many experiments. Condense or limit large amounts of data. Limit the number of problems tackled. Limit the number of tables and figures to only the most critical to bring out selected points.

J. Use figures and LARGE PRINT. The audience should know what you did, why, and what you found by examining your poster from at least five feet away and within two minutes of time. Lists help to save space, and tie everything together. Summary diagrams also help.

K. Standardize all nomenclature and define all abbreviations. Avoid excessive use of abbreviations.

L. Choose your very best photographs and clearest photomicrographs; your most brilliant fluorescence; your sharpest, darkest electrophoresis (use schematics if your gels or blots have faded). Label everything and use arrows liberally. Proof carefully; be sure arrows, etc., on photographs are in place and point to whatever the legend indicates. Tables should only contain the most important information.
M. Be sure to indicate the number of replicates on which your data are based and the statistical tests used.

N. Provide a limited list of references

O. **Your poster board is 4 ft. high x 8 ft. wide, including a 1 inch frame around the perimeter.** Arrange your poster so the information flows and the sequence can be easily followed.

P. Excellent and entertaining advice on preparing posters can be found at: [http://colinpurrington.com/tips/academic/posterdesign](http://colinpurrington.com/tips/academic/posterdesign)

Q. Looking for a place to have your poster printed? Check out the following sites:

   **Make Signs Scientific Posters**
   http://www.makesigns.com/conference/4851/acvpasvcp-concurrent-annual-meeting
   (enter ACVP17 at checkout for a 10% discount). **Ask about shipping and customs clearance.**

   **FedEx Office in Vancouver**
   Tel: +1-604-647-6662
   Email: info@the copyhouse.com

**Awards**

If you applied for an abstract award, please plan to attend the Awards and Recognition Event on Tuesday evening, November 7 where recipients will be announced and a photo taken after the session.

If you win one of the Young Investigator awards, your poster will be displayed the next day, Wednesday, November 8 from 8:00 a.m.-12:00 noon (you will need to setup your poster by 8:00 a.m. on Wednesday morning).