

Policies, Rules, Guidelines and Procedures for Online Abstract Submission

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Call for Abstracts:

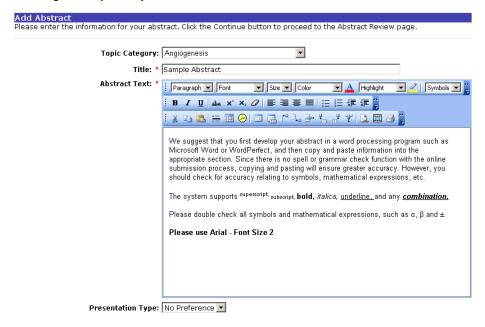
NAVBO invites you to submit an abstract and share your research, findings and work at Vascular Biology 2015 – which will feature NAVBO's **Biology of Signaling in the Cardiovascular System Workshop** and **Vascular Matrix Biology and Bioengineering Workshop**.

1) General Information and Policies -

- a. Abstract submission deadline is 5:00 PM (EST) August 17, 2015
- b. Abstracts will only be accepted online (go to www.navbo.org/vb2015 click "Abstracts").
- c. Abstracts will be not be published. You are being asked to include three bullets which describe the main focus of your work. These bullets will be included in the Meeting Program Book and in the mobile meeting app. This meeting is a forum for the presentation of new research findings, and as such the work covered by the abstract should be novel and unpublished.
- d. **Abstract Submission:** Complete required fields in all sections. You may exit and enter the abstract submission process as many times as needed to edit and complete your abstract until 5:00 PM (eastern time) August 17, 2015.
- e. We suggest that you first develop your abstract in a word processing program such as Microsoft Word, and then copy and paste information into the appropriate section. Since there is no spell or grammar check function with the online submission process, copying and pasting will ensure greater accuracy. However, you should check for accuracy relating to symbols, mathematical expressions, etc. See a sample submission screen at the end of this section.
- f. **Abstract Size and Limitations**: Titles of abstracts are limited to 250 characters, the abstract text is limited to 1,750 characters (both of these numbers include spaces and punctuation). When submitting your abstract the system will alert you if it is too large. Problems regarding this have occurred for users of Firefox, Safari, Mozilla and other non-Internet Explorer browsers if you have a problem, please call the NAVBO office (301-760-7745) or contact bernadette@navbo.org.
- g. Format: Use Arial font, 10 point (selection Size 2 in the pull down see screen shot below). Do not include authors' names and affiliations within the abstract body. The name of your company or institution will appear as it does in the database. You may edit it at this time to ensure accuracy and completeness. Please enter institution names exactly the same for all authors from a single institution. Please enter complete information for all co-authors including street and email addresses. Do not include references, credits or grant support; however, these should be acknowledged within your presentation.
- h. Presentation Preference: There are two presentation formats: poster and oral. Please select your preference when submitting your abstract or select "no preference." Attention will be given to your presentation preference whenever possible. However, since only a limited number of oral presentation slots are available, in most cases abstracts requesting oral presentation will need to be programmed as poster presentations. Those preferring a poster presentation will be programmed as such.
 - **Please note:** topics under the category "Vascular Biology" are for poster presentation only.
- i. Area of Interest: If you are interested in a particular area, (Signaling, Matrix Biology or Bioengineering) choose a topic beneath this area. If your abstract is not

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- applicable to any of these areas see the topics under Vascular Biology. Abstracts submitted to the Vascular Biology topic will be presented as posters.
- j. Topic Category: When submitting your abstract, please select the most appropriate topic category. Additional subject matter is welcome; please select OTHER if your abstract falls out of this brief list of topics. Topics are listed at the end of this document.
- Proofread abstracts carefully to avoid errors before submission. No proof pages will be sent to authors.
- I. Incomplete abstracts will be deleted on September 15, 2015.
- m. All correspondences will be sent via email to the submitting author only.
- n. Submission of an abstract constitutes a commitment by the author(s) to present it
- The presenter is responsible for expenses associated with the submission and presentation of an abstract.
- p. Once the review/programming process starts, changes to abstracts can not be made (August 20, 2015).
- q. NAVBO reserves the right to assign the day and time of abstract presentations. Requests for specific times will not be honored.
- r. The organizers will attempt to program all submitted abstracts but NAVBO reserves the right to reject any abstract.



2) Author Designations -

- a. It is desirable that the submitting author (or corresponding author) be the presenting author.
- b. Up to twelve additional authors may be listed. Please use consistency when inputting the names of the affiliated institutions.
- c. Presenting authors must be registered for the meeting by September 1, 2015 or risk their abstract being rejected.

3) Disclosure -

a. Although this meeting does not offer CME credits, NAVBO believes the audience should be informed of a presenter's (speaker, faculty, author, or contributor) academic and professional affiliation, and the existence of any significant financial interest or other relationship a presenter has with the manufacturer(s) of any commercial product(s) discussed in an educational presentation. When an unlabeled

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use of a commercial product, or an investigational use not yet approved for any purpose, is discussed during the presentation, it is required that presenters disclose that the product is not labeled for the use under discussion or that the product is still investigational. This policy allows the listener/attendee to be fully knowledgeable in evaluating the information being presented.

The Program will note those speakers who have disclosed relationships, including the nature of the relationship and the associated commercial entity. Disclosure should include any relationship that may bias one's presentation or which, if known, could give the perception of bias. These situations may include, but are not limited to: 1) stock options or bond holdings in a for-profit corporation or self-directed pension plan; 2) research grants; 3) employment (full or part-time); 4) ownership or partnership; 5) consulting fees or other remuneration; 6) non-remunerative positions of influence such as officer, board member, trustee, or public spokesperson; 7) receipt of royalties; 8) speaker's bureau; 9) other. For full-time employees of industry or government, the affiliation listed in the Program will constitute full disclosure.

- **b.** All authors must complete the disclosure statements; if there are no disclosures or potential competing interests then you must select "No" next to Financial Disclosures.
- c. If you do have a disclosure (or more than one) select "Yes" next to Financial Disclosure. You will receive a disclosure form via email to be completed and returned via fax or mail to the NAVBO office no later than August 29, 2014.

4) NAVBO Travel Awards -

To be eligible for a Travel Award you must be a graduate student, postdoctoral fellow or research fellow. You must be a trainee member of NAVBO.

- a. Indicate that you are applying for this award within the online abstract submission form
- b. Indicate your current training (or professional) level: graduate student, postdoctoral fellow, research fellow, medical student
- c. Must be a trainee member of NAVBO
- d. Award applicant must be the presenting author
- e. Checks will be distributed to recipients onsite (time/date to be determined)
- f. **Please note** that while many trainees from a single lab may apply for the award, there can only be one recipient per lab.

5) Important Dates -

August 17 at 5:00PM (EDT), 2015 – Abstract submission deadline
August 20 at 5:00PM (EDT) – Deadline for any edits of previously submitted abstracts
September 15 at 5:00PM (EDT) – Incomplete abstracts will be removed
September 15 at 5:00PM (EDT) – Deadline for withdrawal of abstracts
August 31 – Disclosure forms due to NAVBO office
August 15, 2015 – Early bird registration deadline

6) Rules for Presentation -

- a. Oral presentations:
 - Presentations within oral sessions are to be ten minutes in duration plus five minutes for questions.
 - Presenters can bring their own computers (laptop or notebook) or bring their presentation on a USB drive.
 - 3) The session room will be equipped with the following audio/visuals: podium with lavaliere microphone, netbook computer (PC), timer, LCD projector, screen, 2 microphones in floor stands (for audience questions) and a laser pointer. A MAC computer will not be available, but you can bring your own. Be sure to bring your VGA adapter (one will not be provided).

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- 4) If you are referencing work previously published by another author, please be sure to include a complete citation at the bottom of the appropriate slide.
- b. Poster presentations:
 - 1) Poster presenters will be provided with a four-foot wide by four-foot high board. Please bring your own pushpins.
 - 2) At the top of your poster you should include the abstract title, all authors and your program number (provided to you via email **after** all abstracts have been programmed).

7) For U.S. Government Employee Author(s):

Use the check boxes to indicate whether or not author(s) is a U.S. Government Employee. If applicable, the author(s) hereby warrants that the described work was authored by employees of the United States Government as part of their official duties and therefore may be published and reproduced without restriction.

TOPIC CATEGORIES:

Biology of Signaling in the Cardiovascular System

Endothelial Cell-Cell Interactions in Health & Disease
Fluid Shear Stress in Arterial Function and Atherosclerosis
Receptor Signaling
TGFb Pathways As Targets in Vascular Therapies
Tissue-vascular Cell Interaction in Stem Cell Niches
Vascular Metabolism and Dysfunction
Vascular Morphogenesis and Development
Vascular Remodeling
Other Signaling

Vascular Matrix Biology and Bioengineering Workshop:

Biomaterials - Engineering Angiogenesis
Cardiovascular Regeneration & Tissue Engineering
Matrix Remodeling in Vascular Disease
Microfluidics and Vascular Networks
New Approaches and Experimental Models of Vascular Disease (Imaging)
Vascular Matrix Calcification
Vascular Morphogenesis and Development
Vascular Wall Mechanics & Mechanotransduction
Other Matrix Biology
Other Bioengineering

Vascular Biology (poster presentations only):

Animal models of vascular diseases
Atherosclerosis and restenosis
Developmental Vascular Biology
Hypertension/endothelial-dependent responses
Lipid mediators and lipoproteins
Regulation of epithelial and endothelial junctions
Stem/progenitor cells in vascular biology
Vascular bioengineering
Vascular cell biology
Vascular matrix biology
Vascular smooth muscle cell biology