

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

The UCSF Department of Surgery is accepting abstracts for presentation at the upcoming 33rd annual **RESIDENT RESEARCH SYMPOSIUM** to be held on Wednesday, April 8, 2020, at the UCSF Mission Bay, William and Susan Oberndorf Auditorium, 1855 4th Street, San Francisco, CA.

This CALL FOR ABSTRACTS invites all surgical residents, fellows and medical students to submit an abstract for consideration no later than February 26, 2020.

Participation in the symposium is a requirement for all research residents in the Department of Surgery. For those who have just initiated a project and may have limited data, a five-minute “quick-shot” presentation type is acceptable. For all others, a ten-minute presentation is the standard. All abstracts will be collectively reviewed by the Department of Surgery Research Committee.

If you are concerned about your ability to contribute an abstract, or participate in this symposium, please contact Amar Nijagal, MD (Amar.Nijagal@ucsf.edu) for advice and suggestions.

Our goal is to engage all research residents in sharing their work. This event provides an opportunity to show your work to your colleagues and inspire junior residents who are trying to decide which path to pursue during their research years.

When preparing an abstract, please follow these formatting guidelines:

HEADER: Prepare your abstract on a single sheet of paper (8 ½ x 11) with 1 inch margins, single-spaced. Use a standard serif font. Abstracts should have a title and a list of authors. Presenters name must be underlined. Leave a single space, then begin your introduction.

INTRODUCTION: Begin your abstract with an introduction of one or two sentences. Clearly state the hypothesis you have or are planning to explore. Use clear, simple English, avoiding unnecessary scientific and medical jargon.

METHODS: Briefly outline the relevant techniques in the methods section, avoiding too much detail.

RESULTS OR PROGRESS: For residents giving “quick-shot” presentations, this progress section should highlight efforts. For residents with data, this results section is the most important (and usually the largest) part of the abstract. It is often helpful to summarize results in a table or graph. Where appropriate, compare the results between control and experimental groups using a suitable statistical test. Please state the test used, the number of experimental animals or replicates.

CONCLUSIONS: Clearly state conclusions in one or two sentences. Avoid conclusions that exceed the results. For work in progress, describe next steps.

Submit abstracts in .doc format by clicking [here](#), or scan the QR code on this page. Abstracts will be accepted through **FEBRUARY 26, 2020.**

Questions? Contact the Surgery Education Office at (415) 476-1239 or email the event coordinator: Heidi.Crist@ucsf.edu.
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