

## ASRM 2021 Abstracts Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ):

### How do I submit an abstract?

ASRM 2021 abstract submission is now closed as of April 28, 2021. No extensions to this deadline can be made.

### What is the maximum number of authors allowed on an abstract?

ASRM only allows 25 co-authors per abstract.

### How do I make edits to my existing abstract?

Edits to abstracts can no longer be made as abstract submission ended on Wednesday, April 28, 2021.

### When will I receive notice of my abstract being accepted or declined by ASRM?

Notifications regarding acceptance/rejection will be emailed to the presenting author beginning no later than June 28, 2021 to the presenting author's email address listed in the Online Abstract Submitter. If you do not receive notification of the status of your abstract by July 12, 2021, call Technical Support at +1(401) 334-0220 or email technical support at [asrm@confex.com](mailto:asrm@confex.com).

### Does ASRM have a Late-breaking abstract submission period?

**Yes!** ASRM accepts late-breaking abstract submissions in mid-June through mid-July. A Late-breaking Call for Abstracts will be posted in June along with a link to submit.

### What is the abstract embargo?

ASRM asks that authors maintain an embargo on information in the abstracts, along with any additional information that will be presented at the Congress, until the day and time scheduled for presentation at the Congress, with the exception of certain abstracts that are included in ASRM's press releases for the Scientific Congress- these will usually have an embargo set a few hours earlier than the scheduled presentation time. For more information regarding what may be released publicly before the Congress, or how to comply with the embargo, please contact [publicaffairs@asrm.org](mailto:publicaffairs@asrm.org).

### Will there be a moderator for my ORAL abstract session?

**Yes!** All oral abstract sessions are assigned two moderators, who are given instructions on keeping the presenters to their assigned times and moderate the questions/discussion during the LIVE Q&A portion.

### What are the dates of the ASRM 2021 meeting? What are the differences in the meeting this year from last year?

ASRM 2021 will be an in-person meeting in Baltimore, Maryland this October 17 – 20, 2021. ASRM 2021 will also have virtual enhancements that include pre-recorded sessions (so access to all content is available online for on-demand viewing from October 18, 2021 to December 31, 2021), live online elements during the weeks following the in-person Congress, a virtual poster wall, and the Postgraduate Program will be fully on-demand this year as well. ASRM 2020 was a fully virtual meeting, but ASRM 2021 will only have virtual elements – so you get the best of both worlds!

### How do I make my pre-recording of my Oral Abstract Presentation?

For ASRM 2021, oral abstract presenters must pre-record their 10-minute presentation in addition to attending and presenting their abstract live/in-person at the meeting in Baltimore. An email will be sent to the presenting author's email regarding scheduling their pre-recording and uploading their slides for presentation as soon as ASRM has this information.

### Do Oral Abstract Presenters use the ASRM PowerPoint template for their presentations?

**No!** The ASRM PowerPoint template is for CME activities to have a more cohesive look. Oral Abstract Presenters should use their own PowerPoint design.

### Will posters be virtual or in-person for ASRM 2021?

ASRM 2021 will be an in-person meeting in Baltimore, Maryland this October 17 – 20, 2021 but due to spacing constraints, only a limited number of posters will be presented at the in-person meeting. All posters will be presented virtually on our Poster Wall. Authors will be notified of the in-person opportunity when the acceptance emails are sent out to the presenting authors. If you know that you cannot attend the in-person meeting, you should select the "Virtual Only" option during the abstract submission process on the first page of abstract submission.

### If the presenting author cannot make the meeting or designated presentation time, who do we notify to change the presenting author?

Please have the current presenting author email ASRM directly with this request at [abstracts@asrm.org](mailto:abstracts@asrm.org). Please include your abstract number, title, and the name of the co-author that needs to be listed as the presenting author. No other changes can be made to the title, authors, or body of the abstracts after the submission period ends (April 28, 2021). Dates and times of presentations cannot be changed. **Withdrawal deadline to withdraw without incurring a penalty is July 16, 2021.**

### What is the penalty for withdrawing after July 16, 2021 or failure to present?

Per the [ASRM 2021 Call for Abstracts](#): **Any presenting author who fails to present an accepted oral or poster abstract or have it presented by a coauthor, or who withdraws an abstract after July 16, 2021, will not be allowed to serve as an author on an abstract considered for presentation at the ASRM Scientific Congress for the following two years.** ASRM reserves the right to impose additional penalties on other parties (including corporate and other sponsors of research projects) for improper withdrawal of abstracts. Exceptions will be considered if the ASRM is given **prompt notification** for extreme, unforeseen circumstances. To withdraw an abstract, update the presenting author, or notify ASRM of non-presentation, the primary author should email [abstracts@asrm.org](mailto:abstracts@asrm.org) with the abstract title and number and information about the withdrawal.

### What does ASRM consider "failure to present"?

Failure to present means the presenting author failed to follow the instructions provided. The examples provided below are not an exhaustive list but only an illustration of what this phrase could mean.

- **For an abstract accepted for oral presentation**, failure to present means the presenting author failed to follow instructions provided to them (which could mean failing to log into the education harvester and complete tasks, or that the 10-minute pre-recording was not completed, or the author failed to show for the in-person presentation). If the presenting author cannot perform these duties, they should have a co-author or other individual present for them.
- **For an abstract accepted for poster presentation**, failure to present would include not logging into the poster harvester and completing the mandatory tasks (which include uploading of the poster PDF & recording of 2-minute audio). It could also mean the poster author failed to respond to any questions asked by attendees on the Poster Wall. If an author uploads a word-only copy of the body of the abstract instead of an actual poster, this is also considered failure to present.

#### **Who do I contact if I have read the [Call for Abstracts](#) and still have questions?**

- For non-technical support, please email [abstracts@asrm.org](mailto:abstracts@asrm.org).
- For technical assistance, please email [asrm@confex.com](mailto:asrm@confex.com) or call Technical Support at +1(401) 334-0220 between the hours of 8:30 AM and 6:00 PM Monday through Friday, US Eastern Standard Time (GMT -05:00).

#### **Should I register myself for the ASRM 2021 Scientific Congress?**

**Yes!** As the presenting author of an accepted abstract for oral or poster presentation, you will be required to attend the ASRM 2021 Scientific Congress and Expo, either in-person, or virtually (for poster presenters who will not have an in-person opportunity). **You must register yourself for the meeting even though you are a program participant.** No discounts are offered to abstract presenters. **Registration rates and program information will be available here:** <https://asrmcongress.org/register/>

#### **Where is the abstract supplement so I can see my published abstract?**

All accepted abstracts are published in the Fertility & Sterility Abstract Supplement online at [www.fertstert.org](http://www.fertstert.org) as a supplemental issue, typically in September each year.