

## Irish Pain Society 18th Annual Scientific Meeting &

### 4<sup>th</sup> Irish Pain Research Network Symposium

Health Sciences Building, UCD, Belfield, Dublin 4

Saturday 20th October 2018

**Theme: Global Year of Excellence in Pain Education**

Information for **abstract submission** for

(a) posters for the **Irish Pain Society (IPS) Annual Scientific Meeting & Pain Research Medals (Clinical and Basic Science)**

(b) short oral data blitz presentations for the **Irish Pain Research Network (IPRN) Symposium**

Please note: Delegates who register for the IPS Annual Scientific Meeting are automatically registered for the IPRN Symposium and entitled to free membership of both the IPS and IPRN.

The Irish Pain Society (IPS) is a non-profit organisation comprised of multidisciplinary health care professionals and scientists dedicated to the scientific, educational and clinical aspects of chronic pain and its management. The society endeavours to promote all aspects of education and training in research and development, and clinical management of chronic pain problems.

The IPS invites abstracts to be considered for **Poster presentation** at their 18th Annual Scientific Meeting. Pain related research abstracts from all disciplines and at any stage are invited and encouraged. The **Pain Research Medal** will be awarded for the best **clinical and basic science research posters** at the meeting. Abstracts/Posters that focus only on study protocols without original data can be submitted and presented but will not be considered for poster prizes.

The Irish Pain Research Network (IPRN) is a Special Interest Group (SIG) under the auspices of the IPS, an exciting new initiative that aims to bring together all active pain researchers on the island of Ireland (North and South) for the purposes of sharing research results and ideas and facilitating cross-institutional collaboration in the area of pain research.

IPRN invites abstracts to be submitted for **short oral data blitz presentation** at the IPRN Symposium which will be held in the afternoon session of the IPS Annual Scientific Meeting. Presentations are limited to 5 Powerpoint slides to be presented within a maximum 5 minutes.

*Authors are permitted to submit abstracts for both the IPS poster presentation and IPRN short oral data blitz however these must be separate abstracts reporting different data/content. Abstracts must be completed on the abstract submission form and submitted by the deadline of the **7<sup>th</sup> September 2018**.*

## General Instructions for abstracts submission

1. Abstracts **must be submitted on the abstract submission form and sent via email attachment** to Orla Doran [[info@irishpainsociety.com](mailto:info@irishpainsociety.com)] entitled 'Abstract (Author Name).docx' by Friday 7th September.
2. Abstracts not conforming to abstract format guidelines will be returned for reformatting prior to being reviewed and must be re-submitted by the abstract deadline.
3. Abstracts received after the deadline will not be accepted.
4. Authors should indicate whether they wish their abstract to be submitted for the **IPS poster presentation OR IPRN short oral data blitz**.
5. Abstracts submitted to the **IPRN data blitz must contain scientific data**. Abstracts not selected for the IPRN short oral data blitz will be offered the possibility to present their research at the IPS poster presentation.
6. Authors must include information on ethical approval where relevant.
7. The abstract **must not** have been presented at a previous IPS ASM meeting.
8. The presenting author is required to ensure that all co-authors are aware of the content of the abstract before submitting it.
9. Instruction on the preparation of posters and oral presentations will be sent with the acceptance notification of the abstract.
10. Submission of an abstract acknowledges your acceptance for the abstract to be published in the official Conference Abstract Book.
11. Accepted Poster Abstracts will only be included in the meeting if the presenting author has registered for the meeting by Monday 8th October.

## Abstract Format

- Title of Abstract (limited to 20 words) in UPPER CASE
- Author (s) names: first names(s), family name. Presenting author should be underlined
- Affiliation details of all authors: department; institution/hospital; city, country
- Email address of presenting author
- Indicate primary affiliation of the work presented: Basic Science, Medicine, Nursing, Psychology, Physiotherapy etc.
- Indicate if abstract is to be considered for **IPS poster presentation or IPRN short oral data blitz**
- **Abstracts must be organised into the following sections, with these headings appearing in type:**
  - Introduction
  - Aim of Investigation
  - Methods
  - Results
  - Conclusions
  - \* Acknowledgements
- Authors of protocol abstracts for submission to the IPS poster session are advised to structure their abstracts under the above headings as they see fit
- Abstracts are limited to **250 words max, and should be written in Ariel font, size 12, single spacing**
- No tables or illustrations may be included in abstracts
- Abstracts must be in **English**
- Key words; a minimum of three (3) **key words** must be included with each abstract

\*Acknowledgements should include grant support (including grant number) and disclosure of any financial relationships that the author(s) may have with the manufacturer/supplier of any commercial products or services related to the work should be indicated on the abstract form.

The acknowledgement/disclosure should be shown by an asterisk (\*) in the authors' list for those presenters who have stated that a relationship(s) exists relevant to the topic presented.