2021 AAAS General E-Poster Session Guidelines

The AAAS General E-Poster Session provides an excellent opportunity and venue for individuals to present their research and to make connections within and outside of their field of study. Multidisciplinary research projects are encouraged.

New for 2021 Meeting: Science Policy Showcase

Science has never been more important for informing sound decision-making and ensuring progress for all citizens. For the 2021 AAAS Annual Meeting we will be spotlighting Advocacy and Science Policy. This will include an additional General E-poster category and an invitation for these approved e-poster presenters to participate in live 15 minute feedback and collaboration sessions during the meeting. We would like to thank the AAAS Office of Government Relations with assisting with this program.

Eligibility Criteria

The General E-Poster Session is open to postdocs and professionals. E-poster submissions must represent sound science or program evaluation, which will be reviewed by AAAS staff for acceptance.

Each applicant can only submit one abstract and must include the non-refundable $25 abstract submission fee.

Co-authors names can appear on the e-poster pdf, but they cannot be listed in the abstract submission nor can they participate in the oral presentation video.

Research proposals and promotions of a product or a program will not be accepted.

Submissions that do not meet these criteria will be disqualified.

Timeline

Aug 4-Abstract submission site open

Oct 22, **11:59 PT**-Submission site closes

Oct 29-Notification of acceptance or decline

Nov 5-Instructions on how to upload e-poster pdf and oral presentation video emailed

Dec 21, 11:59 PT-Deadline to submit final e-poster pdf and video

Mid Jan 2021-Advocacy and Science Policy presenters will receive instructions on how to prepare

for their feedback/collaboration sessions

Feb 1, 2021-All accepted e-poster abstracts, pdfs and videos are live on the online program

Feb 8- 11, 2021-Advocacy and Science Policy presenters will host their individual

feedback/collaboration sessions

Categories

- *** Science Policy**
  Includes the evolution of science policy; science in evidence-based policy including regulatory science; science at intersection of politics and advocacy; ethics of science advocacy; and science and government.

- **Biochemistry and Molecular Biology**

  Includes the fields of biochemistry, chemical biology, genomics, proteomics, structural biology

- **Brain and Behavior**
  Includes the fields of neuroscience and psychology

- **Cell Biology**
  Includes the fields of physiology and all areas related to cells

- **Developmental Biology, Genetics, and Immunology**
  Includes the fields of evolution and developmental biology, genetics, host responses, infectious diseases, all areas of immunology

- **Environment and Ecology**
  Includes the fields of agriculture, food science, and renewable resources; geology and geography, as well as atmospheric and hydrospheric sciences

- **Medicine and Public Health**
  Includes dentistry and oral health sciences, medical and pharmaceutical sciences

- **Physical Sciences**
  Includes the fields of astronomy, chemistry, geology, mineralogy, meteorology, and physics

- **Science in Society**
  Includes the history and philosophy of science, general interest in sciences and engineering, science communication, and public engagement

- **Social Sciences**
  Includes the fields of anthropology, economics, education, language and culture, political science, and sociology

- **Technology, Engineering, and Math**
  Includes fields of computer science, information technology, industrial science, and statistics

General Guidelines for Abstract Submission

Presenters can log in and edit their abstract up until the submission deadline. Please carefully follow the instructions, as approved abstracts will be used on the online program and the meeting app.

- **Abstract Sections**:
  - **Background:** A brief statement of study's objectives
  - **Methods:** A concise statement of methods
  - **Results:** A clear presentation of results, which should be "data rich"
  - **Conclusions:** A closing statement of study's conclusions; do not state "results will be discussed."
- Abstract title must use all capital letters and is limited to 85 characters (including spaces).

- Abstracts are limited to 2600 characters (including spaces). Please type or paste the abstract in as a single text block (indents and line breaks will be removed).

- **Poster title, co-authors, citations, footnotes, graphics, and funding acknowledgements are not allowed within the abstract text and will be removed**.

- Work must be proofread carefully before submission. Abstracts that show lack of care or quality control as evidenced by grammatical, punctuation, spelling, and typographical errors are reviewed less favorably.

- AAAS staff will not edit abstracts for clarity. However, we will reformat if needed to conform to standards required for the online program and the meeting app.

E-Poster Design and Oral Presentation Tips Webinars

Accepted presenters will be notified of complimentary live webinars that will cover e- poster design, best practices for oral presentations and video production. Webinars will be recorded if you cannot attend the live sessions.

Oral Presentation Videos

For the 2021 AAAS Annual Meeting, each presenter will prepare a 3 minute oral presentation video that will be uploaded along with their abstract and e-poster pdf. These materials will be available for meeting attendees and the general public through the online program.

Presentations should include:
- A clear statement of the problem and its importance.
- A summary of key elements of your research and key findings.

Deadline to submit final e-poster pdf and video is **Dec 21, 11:59 PT**.