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**2nd Scientific Meeting European College of Veterinary Sports Medicine and Rehabilitation**

**August 22, 2020**

**Cambridge, UK**

**CALL FOR ABSTRACTS**

The organisers of the 2nd Scientific Meeting of the European College of Veterinary Sports Medicine and Rehabilitation (ECVSMR) invite the submission of abstracts for consideration for podium or poster presentations.

**Accepted abstracts (research and clinical) will be published in *Acta***

***Veterinaria Scandinavica* through BioMed Central and indexed in PubMed Central.**

We are inviting the submission of abstracts,for oral or poster presentation,

describing research related to the science and practice of topics relevant to

veterinary sports medicine and rehabilitation.

**Research Abstracts**

Abstracts submitted for consideration for the research session should be based on a scientific investigation to test a hypothesis. The research may be conducted in a laboratory or clinical setting,but must have adequate controls or similar groups to prove or disprove the hypothesis.

**Clinical Abstracts**

Abstracts submitted for consideration for the clinical session include case reports of unique cases or case series of similar cases.

Adequate follow up evaluation and outcome measures should be reported.

**Oral (podium/platform) presentation format** –

Presentations will comprise 15 minutes duration, of which 12 minutes should be dedicated to presentation of the abstract information, and 3 minutes to relevant questions.

**Poster presentation format -** Posters are expected to be available for viewing throughout the duration of the

meeting, and it is expected that posters will be attended by one or more of the authors to answer specific questions regarding content during the specific advertised poster session(s) time.

**Abstract evaluation**

All abstracts undergo a blinded peer review process by a scientific committee.

**Evaluation is a two-step process**

1. After scoring, submissions will be ranked and selected for podium presentations in order of scored superiority until all available podium positions are filled. If a presenter that has been selected for a podium presentation prefers a poster presentation this is acceptable.
2. Remaining submissions will then be designated for poster presentations unless authors have declined this option on the abstract submission form.

Abstracts will be scored using the following categories:

***Originality***– Awards the highest scores for significant new findings (including new methods) and lower scores for updates or modifications to well established findings.

***Quality/Content****–*Awards the best scores to abstracts that significantly advance our understanding of rehabilitation by demonstrating the use of sound scientific methodology and an appropriate conceptual framework. This would also include the development of underlying theory.

***Importance/Impact***– Gives the best scores to abstracts that present significant new information or that provide a conceptual advance in our understanding of a broader subject area

***Presentation/Clarity***– Awards the highest scores to abstracts that clearly state the hypotheses to be tested (if appropriate for that topic) or the specific objectives to be attained, the methods used, the main results, and that give a concise interpretation of the findings.

When entering your abstract you will first be asked for the abstract title and then you must choose from a drop-down menu which of the four tracks your abstract is to be considered for. You will be asked for a short (500 characters) paragraph describing your abstract and to upload a Word (.doc or .docx) file formatted

 according to [**these guidelines**](https://www.iavrpt2020.org/Guidelines%20for%20abstract%20submission.pdf).

The first portion of file name should be your last name followed by the abstract category (clinical or research) (e.g JonesClinicalECVSMR2020.doc).

Please follow the format instructions carefully.

The Committee will only accept abstracts that comply with Humane Care and Use of Animals.**At least one author must be registered for the conference and available to present at their assigned time.**

To submit your abstract you will first need to create an account with a password in our system. You can then use this account to amend your abstract until the deadline for submissions is reached. The same account can be used to register and pay for the conference when registration opens so please remember your password.

**To submit an abstract**[**click here**](https://www.myeventflo.com/event.asp?evID=2305)