

SUBMISSION OF ABSTRACTS AND AWARD INFORMATION

Submission and Publication of Abstracts

All abstracts must be submitted electronically and require a \$60 USD nonrefundable submission fee payable by Visa, MasterCard or American Express. All properly submitted abstracts, as evidenced by receipt of the online submission confirmation email, are accepted for presentation. Click on the "Submit an Abstract" button located on the Conference website: <http://submissions.miracod.com/apscomparative2006>

The deadline for abstract submission is Thursday, June 1, 2006, 11:59 PM Eastern Daylight Time.

Abstracts should contain a sentence stating the study objective (unless given in the title); a brief statement of methods, if pertinent; a summary of the results obtained; and a statement of the conclusions. Use a short, specific title. Capitalize initial letters of trade names and use standard abbreviations for units of measure. Non-standard abbreviations should be spelled-out in full at first mention, followed by the abbreviation in parentheses.

All investigations involving humans and animals reported in abstracts must have been conducted in conformance with guidelines for experimental procedures as set forth in the Declaration of Helsinki and the APS "Guiding Principles in the Care and Use of Animals". The Organizing Committee will refuse abstracts in which evidence of adherence to these guidelines is not apparent.

All abstracts submitted for this meeting will be bound with the official program and handed out onsite. These abstracts are considered *in press* of *The Physiologist*. They will appear in the December 2006 issue and should be cited as "program number [#], *in press*" directly reproduced from the electronic submission. Authorization of the senior author certifies that the research adheres to the APS Guiding Principles for the Care and Use of Animals. The Guiding Principles are available via the World Wide Web at: www.the-aps.org/pub_affairs/humane/pa_aps_guiding.htm.

Abstract Revisions

Do not submit the same abstract more than once. The abstract submission site allows for revisions. Go to the login (Returning User) page and enter the first author's last name and the abstract number provided in your submission to start the revision process. Do not submit revisions under "New User" or you will be charged for a new abstract. **The deadline for revisions is the same date as the abstract deadline: June 1, 2006, 11:59 PM Eastern Daylight Time.**

Withdrawal of Abstracts

To withdraw your abstract, login as a "Returning User" and enter the first author's last name and abstract number. You will see a screen that shows your existing abstracts. Click on "Delete" next to the abstract ID you would like to withdraw. The next screen will show the deleted abstract status as "withdrawn by author". Print a copy of this screen for your records. **Withdrawals must be completed online by 11:59 PM, EST, June 1, 2006.**

Acceptance and Presentation of Papers

All abstracts properly submitted will be accepted and scheduled for poster presentation. Authors will not receive notification of abstract acceptance. The first author must present the paper unless alternate arrangements are made with the APS Executive Director. No paper may be read by title. **Electrical outlets are not available in the poster session area.**

Abstract Program Confirmation Email

First author abstract presenters will be notified of the exact date, time, location, and poster board number in September.

Travel Awards for Postdoctoral and Graduate Students

To encourage the participation of young scientists in training, awards will be granted to postdoctoral fellows and graduate students for best abstract presentation. The awards will consist of a cash prize, reimbursement of the advance registration fee and certificate. To be considered for an award the candidate must be the first author of an abstract submitted for presentation and must **click the appropriate box on the abstract submission site** indicating a desire to be considered for the award. In addition, applicants must complete and return via fax or email by Thursday, June 8, 2006 the **Award Certification Form, available online at:**

www.the-aps.org/meetings/aps/vabeach/tavelawdcert.pdf

Award applicants will be judged onsite and the winners announced during the Wednesday, October 11, 2006 Banquet and Awards Reception.

Scholander Award Competition

The Comparative Physiology Section Scholander Award certificate and cash prize will be presented to an outstanding investigator presenting a poster at this meeting. The recipient must be the first author on the abstract and not be more than five years past their highest degree. The cash prize and certificate will be presented during the Wednesday evening banquet, just prior to the Scholander Lecture. To enter the competition please click the box on the "Details" section of the online abstract submission site. The winner will be announced at the Scholander Award Banquet on Wednesday, October 11, 2006.