



BOA BOTa BORS Awards Session at the BOA/IOA Combined Meeting Dublin, 13-16 September 2011

Call for Abstracts

BOTA and BORS invite you to submit an abstract for podium presentations at the BOA BOTa BORS Awards Session to be held at the BOA/IOA Combined Meeting on Friday 16 September from 08:30-10:00.

The BOA Annual Meeting is a leading educational event that attracts a large number of orthopaedic trainees, researchers and surgeons from all regions in the UK. This year, a joint meeting with the IOA is being held in Dublin. The BOA/BOTA/BORS Awards Session will enhance your knowledge of current orthopaedic research, and will allow a greater expose of your presented work to clinicians and scientists. Only BOTA and BORS members can submit abstracts and, if selected, present the research at the Awards Session. DJO have kindly agreed to fund the prize for the best presentation.

Important Dates and Information:

Abstract Call Opens: 23 May, 2011

Abstract Call Closes: 31 August, 2011

Acceptance Notices Sent: 7 September, 2011

General Instructions:

The topics could include any aspect of orthopaedic research. All submitters will need to use the word template on the following page. All abstracts are to be submitted to Wasim Khan at academic@bota.org.uk

ALL ABSTRACTS TO BE SUBMITTED AS WORD DOCUMENTS WITH SINGLE LINE SPACING, TIMES NEW ROMAN FONT SIZE 12 AND JUSTIFIED TO THE LEFT. THE TITLE SHOULD BE IN BOLD CAPITALS (UPPER CASE).

On a new line the authors' names should start with their initials, each followed by a full stop before the surname e.g. F. Smith, A.C.N. Gray, etc. No medical degrees or appointments should be included. Underline the name of the BOTA and BORS member who will be presenting the research e.g. W. Khan.

After the authors' names there should be the relevant affiliations e.g. Royal Orthopaedic Hospital Oncology Service, Birmingham B31 2AP, UK. Leave one line space before beginning the abstract.

Please use English (United Kingdom) spellings; use "ise" not "ize" spellings. Avoid underlining and italics except for Latin names. Abbreviations not in common use should be spelled out in full the first time they occur in a typescript, followed by the abbreviation in brackets e.g. Greenwich Mean Time (GMT). Short names and well-known acronyms are abbreviated without full stops and without a space between the letters e.g. USA, UK, ESR, WBC. No illustrations, tables and references please.

The word limit for the text of the abstract is 500 words; this excludes the title, authors and affiliation. Do not a line between paragraphs. Please structure your abstracts under the relevant headings in bold:

Research Question

Hypothesis

Study design and methods

Results

Discussion

Conclusions and "take home message"

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