

Tips for Your Abstract Submission

AACS 2026 Annual Scientific Meeting

For the 2026 Annual Scientific Meeting, we are highly seeking abstracts in the following sub-categories and formats:

- Artificial Intelligence
- Regenerative Medicine
- Video demonstrations of surgical techniques

The chances of your abstract being accepted will increase dramatically by adhering to the following instructions. Preference will be given to abstracts that are robust, thorough, and evidence based

1. Abstracts must be limited to no more than 2,000 words maximum. The minimum is 10 words.
2. There are different types of abstracts. Use the correct format for the type of abstract you are entering.

Abstracts of Scientific Studies should adhere to the following format:

- *Introduction* – This should give background regarding the topic that you are writing about. This may include what prompted this study and what you are examining, studying or reporting.
- *Objective* – This should be a statement explaining what you sought to establish, measure, observe or prove.
- *Materials and/or Methods* – This should include how you carried out your study, what you examined and how you measured or analyzed the material or data.
- *Discussion/Results* – This should include what your analysis revealed and what it might lead to. Final data must be submitted. Only under extenuating circumstances will preliminary data be acceptable. Please indicate the reason if this is the case.
- *Conclusion* – Summarize what you proved or disproved. Include patient recommendations, if any. All patient recommendations involving clinical medicine will be based on evidence that is accepted within the profession of medicine as adequate justification for their indications or contraindications in the care of patients. All scientific research referred to, reported or used in support or justification of a patient care recommendation must conform to the generally accepted standards of experimental design, data collection and analysis. **If you refer to research that does not meet the generally accepted standards as described above, then you should indicate this and disclose that the patient recommendations are anecdotal.**

Abstracts on a Position or New Concept or Idea should adhere to the following format:

- *Introduction*
- *Premise*
- *Substantiating Data*
- *Discussion*

Abstracts on a Surgical Video should adhere to the following format:

- *Introduction* – You should indicate that this is an abstract for a surgical video.
- *Technique* – Describe the type of surgery and technique that will be shown. Include a URL via YouTube of the video.
- *Discussion* – Describe how it is different than other techniques and why it is interesting, important, or noteworthy.

Abstracts on a Case should adhere to the following format:

- *Introduction* – You should indicate that this is a case presentation. Include the patient's age, relevant medical history, statistics, etc.
- *Treatment* – Include what the patient had done (type of procedure, technique) and the date of the procedure(s). Don't forget to attach before and after photos.
- *Discussion* – Include what is interesting or noteworthy about this case.

3. **PHOTOGRAPHS** – Proper pre- and post-operative photographs (before and after photos) are expected where appropriate and should be included with the abstract. Permission to use patient photographs is the responsibility of the author(s). All pre- and post-operative photographic results must not be computer altered or retouched. Use .gif or .jpg format. Photographs must be high quality, clear, have good lighting.
4. The content of the abstract will promote improvements in quality in healthcare and not a specific proprietary business interest of a commercial interest.
5. Generic names should be used whenever possible. If you abstract includes trade names, trade names from several companies should be used where available, not just trade names from a single company.
6. Abstracts must not contain any advertising, trade names, or product-group messages.