

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

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Abstracts are being sought for consideration for presentation at the 2010 SPER meeting. Abstracts must be submitted electronically by **5:00 pm local time, February 6, 2010**. Authors do not have to be a member to submit an abstract, but if the submitted abstract is accepted, we require that you join SPER before presenting your paper at the meeting. Accepted abstracts will be assigned to either a poster or oral presentation. Authors must adhere to the requirements below precisely. Accepted abstracts will be available on the SPER website one month prior to the meeting and printed in the book of abstracts distributed at the meeting. Abstracts of papers that have been published or will be published prior to June 2010 should not be submitted.

Requirements for Submission of Abstracts

Please adhere to the following guidelines precisely.

Submit *one* electronic version of the abstract by completing the web form as follows:

- Please consult the [2009 annual meeting program](#) for examples of accepted abstracts.
- Place the title of the abstract in lowercase letters, i.e., The effect of
- Provide each author's name (first initial, second initial, last name). The presenter's name should be noted with an asterisk. For example: [JL Doe*](#), [LL Baker](#).
- After the names provide one affiliation only, preferably of the presenter, in parentheses. For example: [\(University of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT\)](#)
- Prepare abstract in word processor, adhering to the formatting requirements outlined below. Then cut and paste it onto the electronic form.
- Do not use tabs at the beginning of a paragraph.
- Do not include figures or tables in the abstract.
- Avoid using acronyms, but if necessary define with first use.
- Do not use any formatting features in preparing the electronic submission such as bold, underline, italics, and do not use special characters or symbols such as α , β , \pm , \leq , or \geq . Write out Greek letters (alpha, beta, etc) and use, for example, +/-,

- <=, => to represent special characters or symbols. Necessary formatting and special characters or symbols will be added with editing.
- The abstract (including title, authors and affiliation of presenting author) must not exceed 2,100 characters with spaces and hard returns.
 - NOTE: The character count can be checked in Microsoft Word.
 - Use Times Roman font 12 point.
 - Use single line spacing.
 - Separate paragraphs with 2 hard returns.
 - Do not use full or right justification.

After successful electronic abstract submission, an immediate confirmation will be returned electronically. You will also receive email notification of successful abstract submission by February 25, 2010. Please print that email as proof of successful abstract submission. You will receive notification of abstract acceptance/rejection by April 6, 2010. If you have NOT received a letter from the SPER Secretary by that date, please contact the SPER Webmaster at jbrakey@xmission.com

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