Information for Poster Presenters at EPSM2013

Thank you for submitting a poster to EPSM2013. Please use the following information to assist you in the preparation of your poster.

Page Format

POSTERS THAT DO NOT CONFORM TO THE SPECIFIED PAGE FORMAT MAY BE REMOVED FROM DISPLAY

- Posters can be a maximum size of 80cm wide by 110cm high.
- Posters will be mounted on a Velcro compatible free-standing board, two to a board depending on space requirements.
- Velcro tape will be available during the poster hanging times.
- If you have any special requirements it is your responsibility to bring them with you.

Poster hanging and removal

- Posters can be mounted from 1600 - 1800 on Sunday November 3 and from 0800 - 0900 on Monday November 4
- Posters should be removed by 1100 on Thursday November 7
- Posters not removed by this time will be destroyed.

Attendance

- Presenters will be expected to attend their poster during the nominated session.
- EVEN numbered posters will be presented on Monday 13.00 – 13.30, ODD numbered posters will be presented on Wednesday 13.15 – 13.45.
- The presenter who attends the poster should be able to answer all reasonable questions concerning the work.

Poster Prizes

There will be prizes awarded for

- The best radiotherapy poster, sponsored by CMS Alphatech
- The best non-radiotherapy poster

Poster Content

If you do not have much experience preparing scientific posters for conferences, you might find the basic guidelines on the following page helpful.
Guidance for Preparation of an appealing poster

Scientific conferences are all about communication. You have to try to tell the story of your research in such a way that a broad audience can follow what you did and, more importantly, why it matters. Remember that there will be people of many different backgrounds at the Conference, hopefully all reading your poster. If you want them to read it, you need to engage them.

Don’t try to jam everything that you have done in the last 12 months onto your poster. Just give your main results and their significance. The flow of the text should be from top to bottom then left to right for maximum readability. Dark text on a light background is easier to read than light on dark, and black text is usually more readable than coloured text.

Keep the number of different fonts and colours to a reasonable minimum. Try to follow a similar colour scheme in all of the figures, the background etc.

Some places to look for style guidance:
http://colinpurrington.com/tips/academic/posterdesign

Or
http://eposters.net

Content

Keep the text to about 800 words or less. Your poster will not be rejected if there is too much text, but it makes it less likely that delegates will read it. Good posters can be read completely in about 5 minutes.

Your poster should be readable from at least 1.5 m away. Try printing your poster onto A4. If you can’t read it as an A4 page then your audience will probably have trouble too.

Photographs should be cropped to show the items of interest and of sufficient resolution to print well, minimum 150 dpi. Do not try to enlarge screen captures or similar; it will not end well.

Every poster needs a title, which preferably should be in a san-serif font, at least 72 pt high. If you use a shortened title, then the full title as it appears in the abstract should be used as a sub-title. The body text should be at least 24 pt and preferably in a serif font for readability. Figure captions, tables, graph labels etc should all adhere to this minimum size. Remember, if they have trouble reading, it they will move on to the next poster.