Midwest Society for Pediatric Research

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

October 10-11, 2013
Minneapolis, MN

Abstract Deadline
June 25, 2013

Registration Deadline
September 25, 2013
Dear Members of the Midwest Society for Pediatric Research,

We are pleased to announce the 54th Annual Meeting of the Midwest Society for Pediatric Research to be held October 10 and 11, 2013 at the University of Minnesota, Cancer and Cardiovascular Research Building, Minneapolis, Minnesota. This meeting traditionally provides a wonderful setting in which to present and hear about outstanding pediatric research performed at the major research universities throughout the Midwest. We trust that there will be topics of interest for everyone!

Each of three Plenary Sessions will be led off with a distinguished keynote speaker presentation. On Thursday, October 10th, in conjunction with the University of Minnesota, Department of Pediatrics, our Grand Rounds speaker will be Christopher L. Coe, W.B. Cannon Professor, University of Wisconsin and will talk on Iron Deficiency and Neonatal Development. For the afternoon session, Jerry R. Mendell, Professor and Director of the Center for Gene Therapy, Ohio State University will be speaking on Gene therapy in muscular dystrophy. and Dr. Lynda Polgreen, Assistant Professor, the University of Minnesota Amplatz Children's Hospital, will give a State-of-the-Art talk on Friday entitled Vitamin D and Immunity. The Friday morning ‘trainee breakfast’ this year will focus on "Statistics". This discussion will be led by Stephen D. Simon, University of Missouri Kansas City.

We plan to present our Founder’s Award (for a senior pediatric investigator who has made major contributions to pediatric research in the Midwest) and the Jim Sutherland Award (for the best abstract presented by a junior faculty member no more than 5 years out of fellowship training as of June 30, 2013) at a special luncheon on Thursday, October 10th from 12:00 to 1:30 pm.

We will also present the Kenny Award and the Jack Metcoff Award for the best presented abstracts of work completed in residency or fellowship. In addition, a Student Research Award will be given for the best presentation by a medical student. These awards will be presented at the luncheon on Friday, October 11th from 12:15 to 1:30 pm. Please choose the award that you wish to apply for on the pull down menu on the electronic abstract submission form.

This year we will underwrite a substantial portion of the travel expenses for medical students, residents, and fellows who present their work at our meeting. Please remember that a letter from the trainee’s mentor must be forwarded to the Secretary-Treasurer’s office (see address on back page) confirming that the individual is a trainee. We must have the trainee’s social security number to process these travel awards, which are issued after the meeting.

Submit your best abstracts now by going to www.medpubinc.com. Remember, this meeting is particularly supportive of trainees and junior faculty and represents a great opportunity to meet other pediatric research scientists from throughout the region.

We look forward to seeing you in Minneapolis this fall!

Sincerely,
Robert Hoffman, MD  David B. Kershaw, MD  Pamela Kling, MD  
President, MWSPR  President-Elect, MWSPR  Secretary-Treasurer, MWSPR
PRELIMINARY PROGRAM

University of Minnesota
Cancer and Cardiovascular Research Building
2231 6th St SE
Minneapolis, MN

Wednesday, October 9, 2013
4:00 pm – 6:00 pm  MWSPR Council Meeting
6:30 pm – 10:00 pm  MWSPR Council Dinner

Thursday, October 10, 2013
7:00 am – 8:30 am  MWSPR Registration and Continental Breakfast
8:00 am – 9:00 am  University of Minnesota Department of Pediatrics Grand Rounds
9:15 am – 11:45 am  MWSPR Plenary Session I
11:45 am – 12 noon  MWSPR Business Meeting
12:00 pm – 1:30 pm  Founder and Sutherland Award Luncheon
(Please indicate on the registration form if you will be attending the luncheon)
1:30 pm – 2:30 pm  State of the Art Presentation
2:30 pm – 4:30 pm  MWSPR Plenary Session II
4:30 pm – 6:00 pm  Poster Session and Reception

Friday, October 11, 2013
7:00 am – 8:00 am  MWSPR Registration
7:40 am – 8:30 am  Trainee Breakfast Session
8:30 am – 9:30 am  State-of-the-Art Presentation
9:00 am – 12:00 pm  MWSPR Plenary Session III
12:15 pm – 1:30 pm  MWSPR Kenny, Metcoff, and Student Research Award Luncheon
(Please indicate on the registration form if you will be attending the luncheon)
**Important Information:**

This abstract brochure is for the 2013 Midwest Society for Pediatric Research scientific meeting to be held in conjunction with the Department of Pediatrics at the University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN.

Included in the Call for Abstracts brochure is information unique to this meeting. Please use the appropriate electronic submission form. The abstract deadline is **June 25, 2013 (11:59 pm EST)**. For Meeting Registration and Abstract Submission, please go to [http://www.medpubinc.com](http://www.medpubinc.com). **Please note:** The abstract fee is separate from the registration fee. You must register to attend the meeting and can do so at the link “Meeting Registration.” The deadline for meeting registration is **September 25, 2013**.

It is **REQUIRED** that you submit your abstract electronically. If you encounter problems submitting your abstract electronically, please e-mail admin@medpubinc.com or call 734-699-1217 for assistance.

**Abstract Policies:**

No revisions or changes will be accepted to submitted abstracts after the deadline.

1. All abstracts are peer-reviewed and ranked on the basis of scientific merit by experts in the category selected. The Program Committees use these rankings to develop the final meeting program. Abstracts submitted for presentation will be accepted at the discretion of the Program Committees. The decisions of the Program Committees are final. MWSRP Abstract Scoring Guidelines are available at [www.medpubinc.com/pdf/MWSPR_Abstract_Scoring_Guidelines.pdf](http://www.medpubinc.com/pdf/MWSPR_Abstract_Scoring_Guidelines.pdf)

   Abstracts will not be reviewed if received after the abstract deadline.

2. MWSRP requires a **nonrefundable** abstract fee of $80.00 to cover the costs of processing and review. Cost is $90 if pay by purchase order. This is **separate** from the registration fee. You must also register to attend the meeting. Include separate payment with each abstract submitted. Payment must be made by credit card (MasterCard, Visa, American Express) or purchase order. Checks should be made payable to MWSPR and sent to MWSPR, 45685 Harmony Lane, Belleville, MI 48111. Upon filling out the credit card information, please note that your credit card will be charged at that time. By submitting this form with your credit card information, you authorize MedPub, Inc. to charge your credit card for the amount as indicated above. Your credit card statement will show the charge from MedPub, Inc. and **not** from MWSPR.

3. **INFORMED CONSENT AND DISCLOSURE:** Investigators should consider and disclose potential conflicts of interest in connection with papers presented at the regional meetings. Each abstract **must** comply with the following: (1) personal responsibility for ensuring that at the time of the meeting for which it is being considered, the material herein will not have been published or presented at any national meeting; (2) that if accepted, an eligible author is prepared to present it; (3) that any animal studies conform with the “Guiding Principles in the Care and Use of Animals” of the American Physiological Society; (4) that any human experimentation was conducted according to a protocol approved by an Institutional Review Board on ethics of human investigation (if no such Board exists, please state in a separate letter what standards were used to assess the ethical property of the protocol); and (5) that potential conflicts of interest will be disclosed at time of presentation of abstract. All potential conflicts of interest should be detailed in a separate letter and sent via e-mail with your abstract. Such information will not be available to the abstract review committee and will not prejudice review of the abstract.
Abstract Preparation Instructions for Formatting

1. Format an MSWord document with the following paper size and margins: Margins: top .25, bottom .29, right and left .25, page size 6.5 x 5.28 in portrait mode. The size of type should be no smaller than 10 point, Times New Roman or Times, then paste or type your abstract into the MSWord file. Simple graphs and tables may be included if they fit within the confines of the space above.

2. **Title and Authors.** The title should be brief, clearly indicating the nature of the study. **CAPITALIZE ENTIRE TITLE.** State all authors’ initials and last names followed by their institutional affiliations, city, and state. **BOLD presenting author only. Do not include degrees, institutional appointments, street address or zip codes on the abstract.**

3. **Body.** Organize the body of the abstract to include a purpose of study, methods used, summary of results, and conclusions reached. **Do not skip a line** between the title and body of the abstract.

4. **Abbreviations.** Place nonstandard abbreviations in parentheses after the full word the first time it appears. **Do not use abbreviations in the abstract title.**

**SAMPLE:** RADIATION-INDUCED OSTEOSARCOMA FOLLOWING OSTEOSARCOMA AND LI-FRAUMENI SYNDROME. C Shih, K Bringelsen, The Childrens Hospital, The Cleveland Clinic, Cleveland, OH.

Osteosarcoma is the most serious late complication following ionizing radiation to bone in children. The majority of secondary osteosarcomas occur following radiation of other solid tumors: Ewing’s sarcoma . . . .

Step-by-Step Instructions for Electronic Submission:

Abstracts must conform exactly to the following instructions. Those that do not may be rejected. FAXED ABSTRACTS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.

1. Establish a connection to the Internet. Proceed to [http://www.medpubinc.com](http://www.medpubinc.com)

2. Click the link at the top of the page Submit Abstract. It will take you to the next page where you choose the appropriate meeting for which you are submitting an abstract. Choose the meeting of choice then “Create a New Account” or Log in as an “Existing User” if you have submitted an abstract in the past. On the following screen click on **Submit Abstract** and fill out the form.

3. If you are the **presenting author**, be sure to include your full name and e-mail address on the submission form. Also include your mentor/advisor name and e-mail address as the second e-mail on the form, but they **should not** be listed on the submission form as the author if they are not the presenting author. Awards are chosen, based on the presenting author information, including rank. If you change the title of your abstract from the time you fill out the submission form online to the time you upload your abstract, please go back online and change it so that they both match. The information on the submission form online is what will be printed in the program. You will need to do this by the abstract deadline.

4. Have your credit card and/or purchase order number available before you begin filling out the form. Once you have completed the entire form, including your credit card and/or purchase order information, press the **submit** button. If you leave this page open too long it will time-out and you will have to begin again. Once this is completed, you will be prompted to print a receipt and a confirmation email will be sent that your abstract was uploaded.
Hotel Information

We are able to offer you a discounted rate at the following hotel:
**The Commons Hotel**
615 Washington Ave, SE
Minneapolis, MN 55415
Ph: 612-379-8888; Toll Free: 800-822-6757

We have a block of 40 rooms reserved until **September 8, 2013** and then they will be released. The rates are $124 single, $124 double, $144 triple, $164 quad. All reservations must be guaranteed for late arrival. Failure to cancel a guaranteed reservation 24 hrs prior to day of arrival will result in forfeiture of deposit or charge of one night's room and tax.

Parking on a first come, first serve basis, is in a lot behind the Hotel at $12.50/day/vehicle. Non overnight guests will park in the Washington Ave Ramp connected to the Hotel, at $2.50/hr, and a $12.00 maximum daily charge.

**Transportation:**
The Minneapolis St. Paul International Airport (MSP) is located just 20 minutes from the University of Minnesota Twin Cities Campus. MSP has two terminals, Lindbergh (1, main terminal) and Humphrey (2). The following airlines operate out of the Lindbergh terminal: **Air Canada, Air France, Alaska Airlines, American Airlines, Delta Air Lines, Frontier Airlines, Great Lakes Airlines, United Airlines, and US Airways.** The following airlines operate out of the Humphrey terminal: **Air Tran Airways, Icelandair, Southwest Airlines, Spirit Airlines, Sun Country Airlines.** All ground transportation may be accessed via the terminal walkway or baggage claim level exits.

Taxi service is provided by many vendors. The average fare to and from the University of Minnesota Twin Cities Campus is approximately $35. Shared ride service to and from the airport is available from Super Shuttle. Cost varies based on the number of passengers and the distance. Car rental and public transportation options are also available.

**Registration for the Meeting:** Registration deadline is **September 25, 2013**

**Preregistration is required** for the meeting and you can register online by going to [www.medpubinc.com](http://www.medpubinc.com). The registration fees are as follows:

**Pre-registration Discount Rate** (*register by September 25, 2013*)

- Member: $95
- Trainee: Free
- Nonmember: $140

**Onsite Registration Rates:**
- Member: $150
- Trainee: Free
- Nonmember: $200

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