

12<sup>th</sup> Annual Poster Competition

# **Call for Abstracts**

TPMA is accepting abstracts for its 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Poster Competition at the 2025 TPMA Southwest Foot and Ankle Conference to be held at Irving Convention Center at Las Colinas in Irving, Texas, September 25-28, 2025.

All accepted Posters will be displayed at the conference on (Friday & Saturday) September 26 & 27, 2025.

The competition will have a separate category for industry-sponsored posters that will be displayed but will not be evaluated for the poster abstract competition.

# **Abstract Submission Timeline:**

Abstracts will be accepted beginning **April 1, 2025**, with the final deadline of **August 30, 2025**. Abstracts should be submitted to <u>staff@txpma.org</u>. Acceptance notifications will occur during the first week of September.

A pdf copy of the poster should be submitted prior to the conference to <u>staff@txpma.org</u> A paper poster must also be brought to the conference for display.

# **Guidelines:**

Original research pertaining to the foot and ankle is suitable for the poster competition. This may include, but is not limited to, retrospective studies, prospective studies, systematic reviews, and metaanalyses. Case studies and series will also be considered with sufficient follow-up on topics of interest. Published studies and studies accepted for publication will be considered if they are not in full print at the time of submission. Abstracts may be submitted by residents or non-residents. Abstracts should be no more than 300 words (for introduction, aim, methods, results, and conclusions) and must include the following sections:

Title: For non-sponsored posters, please use generic names, if possible.

Authors: List primary author first and the rest in order of work contribution, with affiliations.

Poster Category: Sponsored or Non-sponsored.

**Level of Evidence:** Level of evidence guide may be found on ACFAS website (<u>http://www.acfas.org/</u>). **Introduction:** Brief background of selected study topic.

Aim: Specific aim of the study.

Methods: Concise summary of methods, procedures, and/or patient selection.

**Results:** Principal results or findings. Please include appropriate statistics for comparison, if used (i.e. p-values, confidence intervals, etc.).

**Conclusions:** Conclusions based on findings of the study. Please ensure conclusions are supported by your findings.

### **Poster Abstract Evaluations:**

Only non-sponsored abstracts will be considered for prize competition. Posters will be displayed at the conference from September 26 & 27, 2025.

**Poster Session:** Posters will be on display throughout the conference. Poster sessions will be scheduled on September 26 & 27 during the lunch break to allow participants face-to-face time with the presenters. As the presenter, you are only asked to attend your poster for this time slot but are welcome to entertain questions throughout the conference. During the hours when you are not scheduled to participate in the poster session, you may leave your poster unattended. The purpose of this presentation format is to facilitate one-on-one and small group discussions with colleagues. All poster presenters are responsible for the removal of their materials from boards by the end of their presentation time. Any posters remaining will be removed. TPMA is not responsible for the care and condition of removed posters.

#### Submission Fee:

#### Non-sponsored posters: Free

Sponsored posters: \$200 (Vendors must exhibit at the conference to be eligible for poster competition.)

#### Prizes:

- 1st place -\$200.00
- 2nd place \$150.00
- 3rd place- \$50.00

Winners will be announced on **Saturday, September 27** in the exhibit hall. Participants should be by their poster on Friday and Saturday during poster session times.

Abstracts that are entered in both Poster Competition and Research Symposium are only eligible to win one competition.