

# Rules and regulations 2023

## Scientific Posters Exhibition and Ongoing Clinical Trials and Ongoing Clinical Trials display (*not competing*)

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## 1. General Information

The Annual Scientific Posters Exhibition and Ongoing Clinical Trials is open to any and all students, residents, and researchers, working or studying in an institution of the province of Quebec who wishes to share their findings with their peers at the Quebec Society of Vascular Sciences [QSVS] Annual Meeting.

All research must involve the vascular system (arterial, venous, or lymphatic) in some way. Submissions of both clinical and basic science research are welcome. In the spirit of encouraging the greatest amount of scientific interaction, it is the express policy of the QSVS to accept all abstracts submitted to the Scientific Posters Competition. There are nevertheless specific requirements for submitted abstracts that are detailed in the Author Instructions section of this document. Failure to abide by these requirements constitutes the sole basis for abstract refusal. Additionally, your submission of an abstract constitutes a commitment on your part to present your research at our QSVQ Annual Meeting to be held at Agora, Centre de recherche du CHUM de Montréal. Authors are responsible for their own transportation and accommodations.

On November 24, the congress participants will move around the exhibition to evaluate the different abstracts in poster. They may ask question about your presentation and/or ask questions about its content, so be prepared. A **\$ 2,000 total in scholarships** will be awarded to the best scientific paper in each of the 2 categories, basic sciences and clinical sciences.

Your participation in the contest of the QSVS in no way prohibits the presentation of the same abstract in an international congress.

## 2. Author Instructions

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### A. HOW TO WRITE YOUR ABSTRACT

The Scientific Posters Exhibition/Competition is held in both English and French. Abstracts may be submitted in either language, but must not exceed 500 words, including the title, all authors, and author affiliations. Only the section on potential conflicts of interest is exempt from this word limit. All abstracts must be submitted as a Microsoft Word document in single-spaced, **11-point Arial font**.

Authors submitting an abstract are fully responsible for the language quality and accuracy of the terms used. If they are accepted, they will be published as submitted. You need to ensure that the writing follows the rules of English or French grammar and spelling. No editorial review will be made on the abstracts.

The abstract that does not comply with instructions listed in this section may be rejected by the scientific committee of the competition.

Abstracts must include the following sections:

- Section 1: Title**
- Section 2: Authors**
- Section 3: Abstract**
- Section 4: Author affiliations**
- Section 5: Conflict of Interest Disclosure Statement**

Example of an abstract is provided at section B.

### **Section 1: Title**

The title should be brief. It will appear at the top of the abstract in bold.

### **Section 2: Authors**

- a. Identify each author by both first and then last name.
- b. The presenting author should be identified by an asterisk (\*) at the end of his name.
- c. Institutional affiliations of each author should reference in order using superscript numbers at the end of each author name.
- d. The numbered list of affiliations should appear after the main body of the abstract. (Refer to example at end of this section)
- e. We ask patrons to refrain orally present the Scientific Posters and letting the opportunity for a student or researcher of the team.

### **Section 3: Abstract**

- a. Abstracts should be divided into the following sections:
  - Introduction
  - Methods
  - Results
  - Discussion
- b. Each section must be identified as above in bold face type and be comprised of a single paragraph. Sections should be separated by a single line only.

Note: 5 key words in French and English, summarizing your work, will be required upon confirmation and acceptance of your application and per the lexicon of QSVS, which will be sent at the same time.

## Section 4: Author affiliations

Author affiliations should be listed and numbered in the order corresponding to the numbering of author names in section 2.

## Section 5: Conflict of Interest Disclosure Statement

Essentially, the statement serves to inform the reader of potential conflicts that could influence one or more outcomes from the study. Refer to the policy section of conflict of interest. If there is no conflict of interest related to the presentation, it is required to include the following sentence: no conflict of interest.

### B. Sample Abstract

The following abstract and all elements are purely fictional and are meant to illustrate the form that your submission should take in order to abide by the requirements outlined above.

Observational Study of Systemic Hypertension and Risk of Coronary Artery Disease.

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Discussion. Abcdef ghijkl mnopqr stuvwxyz. Abcdef ghijkl jlkjsakljdkjksmnopqr stuvwxyz. Abcdef ghijkl mnopqr stuvwxyz. Abcdef ghijkl mnopqr stuvwxyz. Abcdef ghijkl mnopqr stuvw

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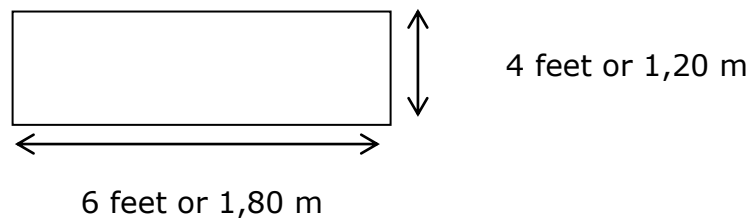
### C. Poster

1. Accepted abstracts will be exhibited as a poster at the Annual Congress (November 23 in PM and November 24 in the morning and during lunch) held at l'Agora du Centre de recherche du CHUM. During those two days, 200 attendees will be invited 3 times to visit the Scientific Posters Competition, giving you an excellent opportunity to communicate your results with those working in the various sectors of the vascular area in Quebec.

There will be 2 sections competing: "basic" and "clinical" sciences and 1 section not competing: Ongoing Clinical Trials.

2. The congress participants will move around the showroom and may request a formal presentation of your poster. Additional questions might be asked about the content.

3. Format: poster should cover an area up to 1,80 m by 1,20 m (6 feet x 4 feet) (see diagram). It is recommended to present a poster with characters large enough to be readable at a distance of one meter.



### 3. Conflict of Interests Disclosure Statement

A person submitting a scientific abstract at the QSVS congress is responsible to report all potential sources of conflict of interest that could affect the project or coauthor.

The disclosure of a potential source of conflict of interest must allow recognizing all affiliations and financial interests that may influence the scientific integrity of the project submitted.

It shall mention if one or more of the co-investigators hold a financial interest in the granting agency sponsoring the study. Conflicting interests may take the form of grants, fees for services rendered or administrative positions (scientific advisors).

If there are no conflicts to declare, the author should indicate at the end of the abstract.

Registration to the Scientific Posters Exhibition is free; the deadline to submit your abstract is **October 6, 2023**. Admittance is free for both days [only for the presenter of the poster\(s\) competing.](#)

## 4. Not competing: Ongoing Clinical Trials display

### Information section for Ongoing Clinical Trials

**Goal:** Provide an opportunity for clinical investigators working in the vascular field in the province of Quebec:

- To inform QSVS congress attendees about planned or Ongoing Clinical Trials
- To identify and recruit new participating centers

**Targeted studies:** Trials must be in the advanced planning, recruitment or follow-up phase. This section does not target completed or published studies.

**Title:** refer to **section 1** of this document.

**Authors:** refer to **section 2** of this document.

**Abstract:** refer to **section 3** of this document **and** add an annex for the information required below : a. to o.

**Author affiliations:** refer to **section 4** of this document.

**Conflict of Interest Disclosure Statement:** refer to **section 5** of this document.

### Information to be included on the Ongoing Clinical Trials *(not competing)*:

- a. Name of trial
- b. Sponsor(s)
- c. Principal investigator
- d. Steering committee
- e. Leading investigator(s) in Quebec
- f. Hypothesis
- g. Trial design
- h. Outcomes
- i. Inclusion and exclusion criteria
- j. Characteristics of included patients
- k. Targeted number of patients
- l. Required information for patient inclusion
- m. Recruitment and completion estimated dates
- n. Other pertinent features of the protocol
- o. If wanted, a small summary brochure with contact information can be provided