

Instructions for Authors of Abstracts – AAAA 2012, Vancouver, Canada

We welcome submission of abstracts on any aspect of applied animal andrology, particularly work involving animals with interest to mankind. Abstracts of research involving non-domestic species will also be accepted. These abstracts should describe **new, currently unpublished research**. These abstracts will be appraised, and authors will be advised whether their abstract was recommended for presentation as a poster or short oral presentation (15 minutes, including questions).

Abstracts should be a **maximum of 300 words** (excluding title, author's names, and author affiliations). The format of the abstracts and the short papers should follow that used for the journal *Theriogenology* (see www.theriojournal.com).

Some suggestions for abstract preparation:

- (1) Have a clear title; if possible, the title should indicate the major finding.
- (2) Include a *maximum* of 2 sentences of background information.
- (3) The objectives or experimental hypothesis should be clearly stated at or near the start of the abstract.
- (4) Clearly describe the experimental design (number of animals, treatments, replicates, etc.)
- (5) A detailed description of the materials and methods should only be provided when essential for interpretation of the results. To save space, whenever possible, indicate your results, and allow the reader to infer what you did.
- (6) To maximize the value of the abstract, include specific information, e.g. means and P values.
- (7) The abstract should end with a clear statement of the main finding(s).

Please indicate the author who will be presenting the abstract. Each person can only present *one* abstract, and can be an author or co-author of a maximum of 3 abstracts.

**Abstracts should be submitted electronically to the following email address:
abstracts@animalandrology.org**

Abstracts which are accepted for a short presentation or poster can be published in the Proceedings as an abstract, or the authors can submit their work as a short paper (maximum, 10 pages double spaced), which will be published in the meeting proceedings if accepted following a peer review.

Authors are advised that publishing original work as an abstract would generally allow them to subsequently submit their work to a peer-reviewed journal. However, if they choose to publish their original work as a short paper, this may prevent them from subsequently publishing this work in a peer-reviewed journal.

For questions regarding the preparation or submission of abstracts, please contact Dr. John Kastelic (therio@shaw.ca Phone: 403-317-2236; Fax: 403-382-3156).

Deadlines are as follows:

Oct. 1, 2011	Abstracts open for submission
Jan. 1, 2012	On-line registration opens
Feb. 1, 2012	Abstract submission deadline
Mar. 1, 2012	Authors advised if abstracts were selected for oral or poster presentation
Apr. 15, 2012	Deadline for submission of short papers.
May 15, 2012	Short papers reviewed and returned to authors.
Jun. 1, 2012	Deadline to receive final revised versions of short papers