

**The Third Asian-African Congress of Mycobacteriology (21-24 February, 2020; Iran) is interested in attracting abstracts on the following broad topics:**

### **Abstract Topics**

- Microbiology of mycobacteria.
- Molecular biology of mycobacteria
- Clinical features of mycobacteria.
- Immunology and pathogenesis of TB.
- Mycobacteria in ICU Units.
- Mycobacteria and Sarcoidosis .
- Surgery in Mycobacterial infection.
- pollution and mycobacterial infection.
- Radiology and Mycobacterial.
- Mycobacterium and HIV.
- Non-tuberculosis mycobacterium (NTM).
- TB diagnostics: microscopy, culture and rapid detection methods.
- whole genome sequencing of mycobacteria TB/NTM
- Treatment of drug resistance (MDR-TB, XDR-TB, TDR-TB).
- Epidemiology & molecular epidemiology of TB.
- TB control strategies.
- Vaccines and drug development.
- Drug susceptibility testing.
- Quality management systems and quality assurance.
- Mycobacterium bovis.
- Mycobacterium leprae.

### **Abstract Guidelines**

- **Abstract Submission Timeline**

The deadline for abstract submission 15<sup>th</sup> December 2019. The results of the peer review will be announced by 01<sup>st</sup> January 2020. The submitting author will be notified by email. Subsequent correspondence will be with the presenting author(s).

- **Author Information**

At the beginning of the abstract submission process, you will be asked to enter author information and affiliations. Please do not submit an abstract if none of the authors intend to attend the conference to present it, in the event that it is accepted. All abstracts must be submitted online. The corresponding author is responsible for the abstract content. This author is the contact person for submission and communication purposes and is also responsible for disseminating information related to the abstract to the co-authors. If accepted, your abstract will be included in the abstract book of the conference as a supplement to the International Journal of Mycobacteriology (published by Medknow).

- **Language of Abstract:** English
- **Number of Submissions:** Each author can submit two abstracts per topic.
- **Preferred Presentation Format**

Please select one of the following presentation options during online abstract submission:

\*Oral

\*\*Poster \*. Please be informed only a limited number of oral presentations are possible, therefore majority of authors will be offered a poster presentation.

\*\* Poster size : (1.25\*1.25)

- **Submission Format**

Prepare your abstract in a word processing software such as MS Word, Word Perfect, or a text editor such as MS Write. For preparation of an abstract, please follow these format directions: **The abstract text should not exceed 500 words.** Authors are responsible for proofreading and submitting an abstract without errors.

Abstract should contain the following sections:

1. **Title:** Please ensure that the first word of your title starts with a Capital Letter. **BOLD** entire title.

2. **Authors:** Please indicate the presenter with an asterisk. If there is more than one author, list the authors with last name and initial. Separate authors with a comma. Example: Nasiri

MJ, Hadadi M\*, Derakhshani S. Important: If the presenting author is not indicated with an asterisk, the first author will be considered as the presenter and it cannot be changed in any situation.

3. **Affiliation:** Please write the affiliation of the authors as the following order e.g. ": Department (or hospital), School (or Faculty), University (or Research Institute), City, Country. Example: Department of Microbiology, School of Medicine, Shahid Beheshti University of Medical Sciences, Tehran, Iran."

4. Aims and objectives.

5. Methods

6. Results

7. Conclusions

8. Keywords Abstract submitted in other formats will NOT be accepted (use Times New Roman 12-point font and 1" side margins).

- **Please note, the Date of Abstract submission is from 1st June 2019 to 15th December 2019**
- **Abstracts can be submitted electronically at [aasm.abstracts@gmail.com](mailto:aasm.abstracts@gmail.com)**

A panel of international experts will review all submitted abstracts, and the scientific program committee will allocate accepted abstracts to an oral or poster session. Only the best abstracts are accepted for the free communication sessions and will be presented as oral presentations and poster discussions.

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