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CANCER IN AFRICA - CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES
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CALL FOR PAPERS

The Organising Committee for the African Organisation for Research and Training in Cancer (AORTIC) conference in 2007 invites you to participate in the Scientific Programme by submitting abstracts for oral and poster presentations.

The target audience for AORTIC's Sixth International Cancer Conference is anyone interested in the cancer burden in Africa, including physicians, nurses, social workers, researchers, and representatives of various NGOs and international businesses. Abstracts should therefore be relevant to health care and social issues specific to cancer and cancer control in Africa.

CONFERENCE THEME

AORTIC 2007 will focus on all aspects of cancer care and management: from prevention and diagnoses to treatment and palliation. The conference is titled *Cancer in Africa: Challenges and Opportunities* and will be held in Cape Town, South Africa from 24th to 28th October 2007.

AORTIC is committed to making cancer control a priority on the health care agendas of Africans. The scientific programme will promote and facilitate an international exchange of research and practical information among practitioners working in cancer care, in Africa and around the world.

CONFERENCE FORMAT

The AORTIC 2007 programme comprises a mix of Plenary, Parallel Workshop, Symposia and Poster sessions. Abstracts accepted will be presented in Parallel Workshops or Poster sessions. While efforts will be made to accommodate author preference in presentation type (oral or poster), the final decision will rest with the Scientific Programme Committee. All accepted abstracts will also be published in the conference handbook and will be available on the conference website.

DEADLINES

14th May 2007: Abstract submissions required

18th June 2007: Successful authors notified

ABSTRACT SPECIFICATIONS

- Abstracts must adequately describe the research performed to allow reviewers to evaluate the quality, originality and thoroughness of the work.
- Abstracts must contain four sections:
 - a. **OBJECTIVE:** introductory sentence indicating the objective and purpose of the study.
 - b. **METHODS:** description of experimental procedures, including applicable statistical evaluation.
 - c. **RESULTS:** summary of the data and results.
 - d. **CONCLUSIONS:** statement of the study's conclusions.
- Abstract title should be typed in bold upper/lower case. The title should define the topic and contain no abbreviations.
- In the body of the abstract, standard abbreviations need not be defined; other abbreviations and acronyms should be defined on first use.
- Generic names for pharmaceuticals, biologics and medical devices should be used in place of trade names. Trade names should only be used if equivalent products from multiple manufacturers are being compared.
- Capitalise all trade names.
- Italicise scientific names.
- Overly commercial abstracts will not be accepted.
- Do not include graphics or diagrams.
- All text should be 10 point Times New Roman.
- Maximum word count for the body of the abstract is 250 words.
- Provide three keywords applying to the abstract.
- Submissions may have up to six authors. Lead author's name should appear first.
- When submitting multiple abstracts, maintain consistency in the spelling of authors' names.
- Include contact information of the lead author including email address, telephone and fax.
- List the institutional and professional affiliations of all authors.
- Indicate whether the author is requesting funding for travel to the conference and accommodation (a request for funding does not guarantee that any funding will be awarded).

SUCCESSFUL AUTHORS

- Successful authors will be given 10 minutes for presentation followed by 5 minutes for questions and answers. Papers accepted for poster sessions will not require authors to present at a specific time.
- A limited number of bursaries are being made available to successful authors from African countries.

ABSTRACT SUBMISSION

- Completed abstract forms may be submitted by email to the AORTIC 2007 Conference Secretariat at info@aortic2007.org
- Notices regarding acceptance/rejection will be emailed to the submitting author only, beginning 18th June 2007. Should you not have received notification by 25th June 2007, contact the Conference Secretariat on info@aortic2007.org.
- Please contact the Conference Secretariat with your questions or to request an abstract submission form.

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