

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS *Anaerobe* ♦ 2008



The 9th Biennial Congress of the Anaerobe Society of the Americas

Renaissance Hotel ♦ Long Beach, California USA
June 24-27, 2008

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The Anaerobe Society of the Americas (ASA) hosts its 9th Biennial Congress—*Anaerobe 2008*—June 24-27, 2008 in Long Beach, California USA. Researchers and practitioners from around the world are invited to attend and participate in this Congress to engage in presentations, exchanges, and dialogue on issues related to the study of anaerobes. The Congress will consist of invited speakers, oral presentations, and poster presentations.

The *Anaerobe 2008* Program Committee invites research and clinical papers of high quality for both Oral and Poster Presentations. Abstract submissions will be peer-reviewed for quality, scientific content, and logical presentation.

Anaerobe 2008 takes place at the Renaissance Hotel in Long Beach, CA. Overlooking the Pacific Ocean, this newly renovated chic hotel offers plush accommodations and provides easy access to the Queen Mary, the Aquarium of the Pacific, the beach, ocean activities, trendy restaurants, night life, boutique shopping, the arts community, and the Catalina Island ferry terminal.

PRE CONGRESS ANAEROBIC MICROBIOLOGY WORKSHOPS

Tuesday, June 24, 2008 — The Renaissance Hotel, Long Beach, CA

ANAEROBE CONGRESS

Wednesday, June 25–Friday, June 27, 2008 — General and Poster Presentations

Wednesday, June 25, 2008 — Wine and Cheese Reception

Thursday, June 26, 2008 — Congress Dinner and Awards

IMPORTANT DATES

February 1, 2008 — Abstract Submission Deadline

May 30, 2008 — Early Registration Deadline



TO RECEIVE A CALL FOR ABSTRACTS BROCHURE:

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TOPICS

- Emerging Pathogens and Diseases
- Endemic Pathogens and Diseases
- Indigenous Flora
- Bacteriology
- Diagnostic and Molecular Technologies
- Pathogenesis and Virulence Factors
- Toxin-Mediated Diseases: *Clostridium* and *Bacteroides*
- Bioterrorism and Public Health
- Oral and Dental Diseases
- Animal and Veterinary Diseases
- Antimicrobial Resistance Surveys and Mechanisms
- New Antimicrobials

ABSTRACT SUBMISSION

The presenting author should submit the abstract. The presenting author needs to provide the contact information on the Abstract Submission Form and indicate a preference of oral or poster presentation. Communications will be made with the presenting author only.

Accepted abstracts will be assigned as oral presentations (limited to 10 minutes) or poster presentations (presentation format will be detailed on acceptance). By submitting an abstract, the presenting author agrees that, if accepted, the paper will be presented as assigned.

ABSTRACT FORMAT

Abstracts must be in English and will be published exactly in the form and condition submitted by author. Abstracts are limited to 2400 characters.

The header should include (1) the entire title capitalized—do not use abbreviations; (2) authors listed as surname followed by first and middle initials, with an asterisk after the presenting author's name (outside punctuation); and (3) affiliation, stating institution, city, state/province, and country (if authors are from multiple institutions, use superscripted numbers to indicate authors' affiliations). Separate the title from the authors with a blank line; separate affiliation from the text with a blank line. See sample on the Abstract Submission Form below.

Abstracts should include the following:

- ◆ A statement of the purpose (preferably one sentence).
- ◆ Summary of methods and results (presented in sufficient detail to support the conclusion).
- ◆ Statement of conclusion reached.

GUIDELINES FOR SUBMISSION

Electronic: The preferred method of submission is an

attachment in WORD format e-mailed to asa@anaerobe.org. Abstracts are limited to 2400 characters. Submitted abstracts will receive receipt notification. Also, a hard copy version of the abstract MUST be submitted via mail or fax (see address below) along with the submission form.

Mail: Abstracts also can be submitted via floppy disk, Zip disk or CD, with a hard copy version. Label the media with title, presenting author's name, and type of operating system (PC or MAC). Multiple abstracts may be saved on a single disk in separately labeled files; separate submission forms for each. Abstracts can be submitted in typed form (limited to 2400 characters), if disk submission by is not possible.

Abstracts submitted by mail should be sent to:

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Typed/disk abstracts submitted by delivery service (such as FedEx) should be sent to:

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ACCEPTANCE AWARDS

Abstracts accepted for oral presentation will have the basic registration fee (dinner ticket excluded) waived for the presenter (one presenter per accepted paper). The best abstract will receive the *Fingold Award*.

YOUNG INVESTIGATOR'S AWARDS

Students are invited to enter the *Young Investigator's Competition*. Finalists will be chosen from submitted abstracts, and poster presentations will be judged at the Congress. Cash prizes will be awarded to the top presenters.

ABSTRACT SUBMISSION FORM

Provide requested information with electronic submission and submit this form with the hard copy.

Surname _____ First Name _____

Institution _____

Address _____

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Presentation Preference: Oral Poster

Wish to apply for a Travel & Accommodation Assistance Grant (submit statement of need)

Wish to enter Young Investigator's Competition (attach evidence of student status)

Sample Abstract:

See *Submission Guidelines* for delivery instructions.

**ABSTRACT
SUBMISSION DEADLINE
FEBRUARY 1, 2008**

THE INTERNATIONAL ANAEROBE QUALITY ASSURANCE SCHEME (IAQAS)

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A voluntary quality assurance scheme for anaerobe reference laboratories or laboratories specializing in working with anaerobic bacteria from clinical origin has been established. Participants in Cardiff, Los Angeles, Edinburgh and Helsinki take turns in...