

**Adult Congenital Heart Association's Fifth National Conference/  
Second ACHD Research Symposium Abstract Submission Guidelines**

Research efforts relevant to the goals of the Adult Congenital Heart Association's Fifth National Conference/Second ACHD Research Symposium, will be highlighted via presentation of featured abstracts in two moderated poster sessions. Participants are invited and encouraged to submit abstracts concerning research related to ACHD and:

- Multicenter clinical trials/large clinical database assessment
- Demographics and access to care
- Exercise and functional capacity
- Effects of aging/noncardiac disease
- Genetics

though abstract submission is open for all aspects of care and science related to adults with CHD.

Abstracts should be submitted in style and format standard for abstract submission to European, Canadian, or U.S. cardiovascular meetings as outlined below. Submitted abstracts will be reviewed by an abstract grading committee from within ACHA's Medical Advisory Board. Up to 10 abstracts will be selected and presented at one of two moderated poster sessions held during the conference, and will be available for patient and family viewing.

Abstracts should be submitted by e-mail to [ACHAResearchAbstracts@cardio.chboston.org](mailto:ACHAResearchAbstracts@cardio.chboston.org). Submission deadline is midnight, February 29, 2008. Accepted abstract presenters will be notified via e-mail within two weeks of submission deadline.

**Travel Awards:** Junior investigators (postdoctoral level to assistant professors) who present posters and indicate a need for financial assistance will be considered for these awards. Final decisions on the amount of the individual awards will be made by the co-Chairs of the Symposium based on financial need and number of recipients.

**Format Guidelines**

1. Use font size 12 point, Arial or Times New Roman;
2. One page in length, single spaced with a limit of 300 words;
3. Abstract must be submitted with a cover sheet containing the Abstract Title, Author(s) and contact information;
4. Abstracts must be written in English;
5. Use a concise title (use all CAPITAL letters);
6. List affiliations of author(s) as briefly as possible with NAME, DEGREE, HOSPITAL, CITY, STATE and COUNTRY;
7. The presenter's name must be underscored;
8. Use standard and well-accepted abbreviations;
9. Abstract content should be typed in lowercase and contain the purpose of study, summarized description of project, results and conclusions.