SRS Asia Pacific Meeting Directions for Abstract Submission

Key Dates

All the following deadlines are mandatory. No exceptions will be made.

Abstract submission begins – May 1, 2025 Abstract submission deadline – June 30, 2025, at 11:59pm Japan Standard Time Abstract Acceptance notification via email – September 4, 2025* Abstract Presenter Acceptance deadline – October 3, 2025* SRS Asia Pacific Meeting in Fukuoka, Japan – February 6-7, 2026

*Dates tentative and subject to change. Check meeting website for updates.

Note: Presenting authors of all accepted abstracts will be required to formally accept the invitation to present and confirm their presentation by registering for the Asia Pacific Meeting by October 3, 2025.

Abstract Submission

- Abstracts may be submitted by SRS members and non-members.
- There are no restrictions on the number of abstracts you may submit.
- This inaugural meeting will be **for the region**, **by the region**. Therefore, a submitted abstract must have a senior author or presenting author and a majority of the authors representing the AP/Oceania region.

Start your Abstract Submission!

Visit https://owpm1.com/abstracts/SRSAM

Review all information on the home page. Then, select "Click here to submit/edit your submission."

Login

- If you have previously <u>submitted an abstract</u> to an SRS Annual Meeting, please use those credentials to submit for AP2026.
- If you have previously <u>been an author on an abstract</u> for a SRS Annual Meeting, please use that email address and password: SRS. You can change your password once you are logged in under 'Settings'.
- New Users should create a new account under 'New Submitter?'.
- If you cannot remember your login information, please click on "Forgot your password?" at the bottom of the page.
- Verify that all your contact information is accurate, <u>especially your email address</u>. All abstract submission system confirmations and communications are conducted via email.

Financial Relationship Disclosures

The Scoliosis Research Society (SRS) must ensure balance, independence, objectivity, and scientific rigor in all educational activities. Therefore, as a person who is in position to influence or control the content of a CME activity, ALL abstract authors must disclose **all financial relationships held in the past 24 months with ineligible companies.** * If the financial relationship has occurred in the past 24 months, but has since ended, we still require you to disclose the relationship.

Visit this link to disclose: <u>https://owpm1.com/abstracts/SRSAM/disclosure</u> Please enter the email associated with your abstract.

*An ineligible company is an entity whose primary business is producing, marketing, selling, reselling, or distributing health care goods or services consumed by or on patients. For specific examples of ineligible companies visit accme.org/standards.

Abstract Submission

To begin your Abstract Submission:

- Click on the "Add a New Submission" button on the main page. You will also see "Add a New Submission" on the menu in the upper right-hand corner of the page.
- You will then be directed to each page of the submission site. Click on each item to complete. All items must be completed to submit.

The following directions explain the electronic abstract submission process for the SRS Annual Meeting. **Please review this guide prior to submission**. Missing deadlines or requirements will result in abstract disqualification

Abstract Details

- All completed abstract submissions will be reviewed and considered for a podium presentation.
 - Podium Presentations: live, in-person presentations at the Annual Meeting, given by the listed presenting author. The presenting author must register for and attend the meeting.
 - o Podiums Presentations must be Presented in English
- Select the category for which you are submitting your abstract.
 - **Note:** If it is determined your abstract does not fit in the selected category, the category may be re-assigned by the Abstract Review Team.
- To maintain an unbiased review of all abstracts, please do **NOT** include any identifying information such as researcher, institution, or **study group** names in your abstract. **Inclusion of any identifying information will disqualify your abstract from review.**
- Please indicate whether your abstract has been previously presented at an SRS Meeting.

Title

- The title must be entered in title case: <u>https://apastyle.apa.org/style-grammar-guidelines/capitalization/title-case</u> The submission system will prompt you to correct your title case if entered incorrectly.
 - Correct title case = Scoliosis Will be Discussed at the Annual Meeting
 - Incorrect = SCOLIOSIS WILL BE DISCUSSED AT THE ANNUAL MEETING
 - \circ $\;$ Incorrect = Scoliosis will be discussed at the annual meeting

• Do not use formatting tags in the title.

Character Limit

- There is a 2500 character limit for all submissions.
 - The character count includes: titles, spaces, abstract body, and captions for tables, figures, and images. The text field for the caption is located on the upload image page.
 - The count does not include authors or institutions.
 - You can view your character count in the box above the abstract title.

Creating & Adding Authors

- To add an author with an **existing abstract system account**, type the author's last name after clicking on the 'Add/Search for an Author' button on the *Author and Disclosure Panel* page.
 - If your search yields multiple name results, please ensure you have selected the correct author. Click on the author's name to view detailed contact information. If you are unsure which result to choose, please contact your author to confirm.
 - If your search yields more than one account for the same person, please contact <u>education@srs.org</u> for assistance in merging the duplicate accounts.
- If there are no results for the author's name in your search, <u>DO NOT AUTOMATICALLY</u> <u>CREATE A NEW ACCOUNT FOR YOUR AUTHOR.</u> Please check to ensure correct spelling of the author's name, and try other search parameters if able.
 - Please ensure that you enter the correct author email address & that it is spelled correctly. Authors will **not** receive email notifications if there are any errors.
- Once a new author is added, the author will receive an email notification that an account was created. They will also be prompted to log in and complete their mandatory Financial Relationship disclosure form.
 - All authors should add <u>@owpm1.com</u> to their safe sender list.
 - Missed email notifications may result in author failure to complete the mandatory Financial Relationship disclosure form on time, which will result in abstract disqualification.
- The abstract submitter is **not** automatically listed as an author on the abstract. If you are a submitting an abstract for which you're also a listed author, you must **add yourself to the author list.**

Presenting Author Designation & Author Order

- This inaugural meeting will be **for the region**, **by the region**. Therefore, a submitted abstract must have a senior author, presenting author and a majority of co-authors from the regions of Asia and/or Oceania.
 - The Presenting author *must be* from the regions of Asia or Oceania.
- To designate the presenting author, select "Presenting Author" next to the author's name.
 - \circ $\;$ The presenting author for accepted abstracts can be changed after submission.
 - To designate co-authors as correspondents on the abstract submission, check the box next to their name. There is no limit to how many co-authors you can select as correspondents on the abstract.
 - The submitting author and all designated correspondents will receive emails about the abstract.

• Authors will be listed on the abstract in the order entered by submitters. Please confirm the author list order is correct before submitting an abstract.

Level of Evidence

- Enter the minimum time-period of follow-up
 - One-year clinical follow-up is required for abstract submission. The one-year follow-up rule does not apply to categories of basic science or biomechanical studies or for topics where one-year follow-up is irrelevant, such as 30-day readmission rates.
- If your study was funded by an SRS Grant, please check "yes" on this page. You will then be asked to provide the Primary Investigator's name and the grant year.

Attachments

- Only **one (1)** attachment is allowed per abstract.
- Attachments can include tables, images, or supplemental data.
- Accepted file type: JPEG
- Please note: Captions are included in your total character count.

Preview

- When all required information is entered, you will visit the "Preview" page to look over the abstract prior to submitting it.
- Please review the contents of your abstract carefully, checking for any typos, grammatical errors, or identifying information.
- After your review of the abstract, check the box next to the statement confirming that the abstract does not contain any identifying information.
- Note: You will NOT be allowed to edit the content of your abstract after the submission deadline, even if it eventually is accepted. Accepted abstracts appear in meeting program materials exactly as they are submitted.

Submitting Your Abstract

- To submit the abstract, click on the "Finalize Abstract" button at the bottom of the page.
- Once submitted, the submission status on the My Submissions page will change from "Incomplete" to "Complete" and you will receive an automated email notifying you that your abstract was submitted successfully.
- You may log in at any time before June 30, 2025 to update your abstract, finalized or not.

Questions?

For questions regarding your submission or technical issues, please contact education@srs.org