Call for emerging investigator presentations
Deadline for submission: May 13, 2016

If you or someone you know is an emerging simulation researcher with innovative ideas to share, consider submitting an abstract for presentation and publication at the 2016 Simulation Summit. The scientific planning committee is currently seeking submissions that present rigorous and scholarly work and that advances knowledge of simulation-based education and assessment broadly.

Please note: For the purposes of this competition, emerging investigators are defined as those with less than five years of research experience.

Theme/topic areas

Presentation content must be relevant to all members of the audience including physicians, nurses, respiratory therapists, first responders, simulation program administrators, simulation technicians and operators, although any topic related to simulation-based learning will be considered.

Simulation as an educational tool in health professions education can be applied to a spectrum of contexts and settings, from college and university teaching centres, to hospitals; rural and remote centres; and extreme locations such as oil rigs. Principles related to the use of simulation in each of these unique context and settings may vary. This year, we would like you to not only think about how the work you are submitting fits within the various themes, but also about the context or setting in which it takes place:

University | Urban hospital | Rural centres | Remote centres | Extreme environments

Possible topics include:

- Programme development / Administration and Programme Management
- Simulation instruction design and curriculum development
- Faculty development
- Debriefing and feedback
- Competency assessment
- Serious games and virtual environments
- Patient safety and quality improvement
- Crisis Resource Management/Human factors and Teamwork
- Evidence-based simulation for interprofessional teams
- Simulation technology
- Tele-Simulation and robotics
- Translation of research to practice
- Simulation and continuous professional development
• Social media and simulation
• Other topics related to the theme of extreme simulation

Submission instructions

The following details will be required to complete the submission process. Please have all information ready prior to submitting as you will not have the opportunity to save your work in progress.

Author information (may or may not be the same as the submitter): Contact information and name of institution(s) are required for the main author, and any co-authors. The order of authorship will remain through all publications.

Topic area:
Title:
Abstract text: Abstracts must be 350 words or less (approximately 2,500 characters with spaces).
Presentation type: Oral
Presentation length: 10 minute oral presentation followed by 5 minutes for questions
Keywords: Please choose a maximum of three keywords to describe your research.

Abstract Guidelines

• Abstracts must be submitted electronically, using the submission link provided.
• All abstract submissions will be acknowledged upon receipt.
• Abstracts should be no more than 350 words. Please single-space text and leave one line space between paragraphs and other elements.
• Do not use character formatting such as italic, bold or ALL CAPS in title and text.
• List the authors in order of authorship. Do not include degrees, titles, institutional appointments or addresses. You will be asked to provide first name, last name, institution, city, province, and email address for each co-author.
• Please use the ‘check box’ during the submission process to indicate the presenter. The presenter's name will be underlined in the program.
• Abstracts must present a clear, concise summary of the work. Please do NOT include introductions, historical data, literature reviews, bibliographies, references or mention of corporate support. Organize the body of the abstract to include the objective (preferably one sentence), the methods used, the results obtained, and the conclusion. Do not use subheadings for results, conclusions, etc.
• Use standard abbreviations such as kg, g, mg, ml, L (litre), mEq, m (metre), mmol (millimole), / (per) and % (per cent). Place special or unusual abbreviations in parentheses after the full words the first time it appears. Use numerals to indicate all numbers (including 1-10), except to begin sentences. Non-proprietary (generic) names are required when a drug is mentioned. e.g., acetazolamide (Diamox).
• Place acronyms in parentheses after the full term the first time it is used.
• Accepted abstracts will be posted on the Royal College website.
• All abstracts will be presented as oral presentations: A 10-minute presentation given by the author followed by five minutes of questions
• Abstracts may be submitted only once.
• Abstracts may be submitted in English or French and must be presented in the language of submission.
• All abstract authors must disclose any financial interests.
• All necessary permissions must be obtained before submitting an abstract. The Royal College assumes no responsibility for the publication of any submitted material.
• All presentations will be considered for the Best Presentation Award.
• By submitting an abstract, you agree to present it at the meeting and pay applicable fees.
• Submission of any original, innovative and/or rigorous work is encouraged.
If your abstract is accepted, you must submit a digital version of your presentation to simsummit@royalcollege.ca by September 29th, 2016.

Abstract Review

All abstracts will be considered equally for selection. The rigor of the work, the quality of the abstract, and the relevance to simulation-based education and assessment will guide the Review Committee's decision. Abstracts are chosen on the basis of originality, clinical/educational relevance, comprehensiveness, solid scientific/scholarly practice, ability to stimulate discussion and/or to address an educational need.

Any other submitted abstracts and/or workshop proposals by author(s) will be judged separately. Results of one review process will not influence the potential result of the other process.

Abstract Withdrawal

Notice of withdrawal must be received by July 13, 2016. Please send written notice of withdrawal to: simsummit@royalcollege.ca

Visit our submission site to login and submit your abstract. (Please note: You will be required to create an account if you have not used this site previously.

Presenters will be judged by the audience on the following criteria:

- Novel or innovative research;
- impact on the field of simulation;
- scientific merit; and
- communication.

The Award

The recipient of this award will receive a gift certificate to Chapters and will be recognized in Royal College publications.

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Access submission site
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