Size Information **Poster Presentation Instructions**

The following information will help you prepare your poster so that you and your colleagues get the most benefit from your presentation.

Poster Hall Location - Poster presentations will take place at the Hilton New Orleans Riverside in Grand Salon D.

Set-Up, Viewing, Presentation and Dismantle Schedule

| | Poster | Poster | Poster | Poster | Poster | Poster |
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| | Session A | Session B | Session C | Session D | Session E | Session F |
| | Monday, 12 | Monday, 12 | Tuesday, 13 | Tuesday, 13 | Wednesday, | Wednesday, |
| | May | May | <u>May</u> | <u>May</u> | 14 May | 14 May |
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| | Presentation | Presentation | Presentation | Presentation | Presentation | Presentation |
| | #A1 – A24 | #B1 – B19 | #C1 – C23 | #D1 – D19 | #E1 – E24 | #F1 – F17 |
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| Set-Up: Sunday, 11 | 15.00 – 20.00 | | | | | |
| May or Monday 12 | 13.00 – 20.00 | | | | | |
| May before 8.00 AM | | | | | | |
| Viewing Presentations | 10.30 - | 15.45 – | 10.30 – 11.15 | 15.45 – 17.15 | 10.30 - | 15.45 – 16.30 |
| (Presenters in | 11.15 | 16.15 | | | 11.15 | |
| attendance) | | | | | | |
| Dismantle Completed: | 16.30 – 18.00 | | | | | |
| Wednesday 14 May | 10.30 – 18.00 | | | | | |
| 18:00 | | | | | | |

O All posters must be <u>displayed</u> by 8:00 Monday 12 May 🔯 All posters mut be dismantled/removed by 18:00 Wednesday May 14

What is a Poster Presentation?

A poster is a visual presentation of your research or clinical project. Use schematic diagrams, graphs, tables and other strategies to direct the visual attention of the viewer, rather than explaining it using text as you would in a journal article.

A poster addresses one central question. State the question or hypothesis clearly in the poster and use your presentation to provide a clear and explicit take-home message.

Abstract Presentation Number

Include your abstract presentation number in a large font in the upper left corner of your poster.

Poster size and details

- Poster size is not to exceed 48" (height/tall) x 60" (width/wide) inches.
- Print in landscape.
- Not required, but ISTM recommends you bring 25-50 handouts of your poster. Include your full contact information for those who wish to follow-up with you after the conference.
- A FedEx office is available at the hotel should you wish to make copies. Keep in mind, this will not be a low-cost option.
- ISTM will provide push pins to mount your poster.
- Due to fire regulations, we are unable to place any tables or chairs in front of the poster boards, and electrical hook-ups are not allowed.
- 🔯 All posters must be displayed by 8.00 on Monday, 12 May.
- OPOSTER Dismantle by 18:00 Wednesday, 14 May. Presenters are expected to dismantle their own posters. Posters left after 18:00 will be disposed of and are not the responsibility of ISTM nor the hotel.

Poster Content

Posters usually have a similar structure to a research paper or journal article: an **abstract**, **introduction** (i.e., brief rationale or review of relevant research), **method** section, **results** section, and a **conclusion** or summary. You may also want to list key **references**. If your poster is more clinically-oriented, you may elect to use a different format, but breaking things down into clear sections with headings will help your colleagues easily and quickly understand your poster.

Keep text to the bare essentials and focus on the most important ideas. Convey details via discussion when you are standing by your poster. In the busy and crowded environment of a poster session, most people do not have the ability to read and process long sections of text.

Poster Format

- Use bullet points to simplify sections like the introduction and conclusions.
- ✓ Use large type, such as 36-point type for section headings, and 24-point type for text. Never use type smaller than 18 point for any reason.
- Make effective use of <u>underlines</u> and **boldface**. Do not overdo it.
- Use graphs and figures whenever possible.
- Make your poster visually pleasing and attractive.
- Include your presentation number in a large font on the upper left corner of your poster so attendees can easily locate your abstract.

? Questions?

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