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WBC 2018 Abstract Guidelines

Please read this information carefully before proceeding to the online submission form.

IMPORTANT DATES

Submissions accepted from	June 2017
Submission deadline	January 10th (Wed.), 2018 at noon (JST)
Abstracts Review	January 10th (Wed.), 2018 – Wednesday 28th Feb. 2018

****Abstracts received after the deadline will not be accepted!***

ABSTRACT TOPICS (subject to change):

01. Anti-Microbial Resistance
02. Bovine Welfare and Cattle Comfort
03. Buffaloes, Camelids and Wild Ruminants
04. BVD
05. Clinical Genetics
06. Diagnostic Imaging
07. E-learning and Continuing Education
08. Emerging Diseases
09. Epidemiology
10. Herd Health Management: Beef
11. Herd Health Management: Dairy
12. Hoof health and Lameness
13. Immunology and Vaccines
14. Infectious Diseases: Bacteriology
15. Infectious Diseases: Parasitology
16. Infectious Diseases: Virology
17. Internal Medicine
18. Japanese Black Cattle (Wagyu)
19. Nutrition and Metabolic Diseases
20. Organic and Sustainable Production Systems
21. Public Health and Food Safety
22. Reproduction: Beef
23. Reproduction: Dairy
24. Reproductive Technology
25. Small Ruminants
26. Surgery
27. Therapeutics and Pharmacology
28. Toxicology
29. Tropical Animal Diseases
30. Udder Health and Milk Quality
31. Young Stock
32. Miscellaneous topics

TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS

The internet abstract submission system works best with Internet Explorer 8.0 or higher, Mozilla Firefox 5.0 or higher and Chrome 16 or higher. Cookies and JavaScript need to be enabled.

GENERAL

1. Abstracts can only be submitted online via the online abstract submission form that can be found in the section "Call for Abstracts" on the official WBC 2018 website:
<http://www.wbc2018.com/>
2. Abstracts must be submitted in English.
3. Abstracts sent by post or email will not be accepted. No exceptions will be made.

DEFINITIONS

- ✧ Submitting author: person who submits the abstract
- ✧ Presenting author: person who will physically present the abstract at the congress and who is marked as the presenter in the program.

RULES

Failure to observe these guidelines may result in disqualification.

1. Go to <http://www.wbc2018.com/> on the Internet. Click on the "Abstract Submission" tab.
2. The correct topic must be selected to ensure correct scoring. The content of the abstract must be topic related.
3. Abstracts must contain data and meet international ethical standards.
4. Abbreviations should be defined.
5. Trade names cannot be mentioned in the title. However, trade names in brackets will be accepted in the body of the text.
6. The abstract should be a minimum of 1,400 characters (approx. 215 words) and cannot contain more than 4,500 characters (approx. 690 words).
Blank spaces and punctuation are included. Authors' affiliation and titles are not included.
7. The abstract must be structured into the following sections:
 - Objectives
 - Materials and methods
 - Results
 - Conclusions
8. Abstracts can be saved in "DRAFT" status to be re-edited and modified until the submission deadline (**January 10th (Wed.), 2018 at noon (JST)**).
The submitting author will be required to create a user account. In order to log back into the portal please make a note of the username and password created during the process.

9. If you have successfully submitted your abstract, you will receive a confirmation number. If no confirmation number is received, the abstract cannot be considered as successfully submitted and accepted.
10. Abstracts fulfilling all criteria can be saved in "FINAL SUBMISSION" status. Only abstracts in "FINAL SUBMISSION" status will be considered as successfully submitted and accepted.
11. If you leave the system without saving the abstract all data is lost. The submitted/draft abstracts cannot be edited after the submission deadline **(January 10th (Wed.), 2018 at noon (JST))**.
12. Please ensure that your abstract does not contain spelling, grammatical or scientific errors. No corrections are possible after the submission deadline. The abstract will be reproduced exactly as submitted. No proof reading will be done.
13. If you need to withdraw your abstract, a written statement reflecting the reasons for this decision must be sent to: wbc2018_abs@c-linkage.co.jp no later than **January 10th (Wed.), 2018 at noon (JST)**.

AFTER THE SUBMISSION

1. The reviewers will judge the abstracts according to the relevance to WBC 2018. They will assess the standard of English, objectivity of statements, description of the work, suitability of methods to aims, conclusions confirmed by objective results, ethics, scientific value, potential scientific value, originality of work and overall impression.
2. The submitting author will be notified during the week commencing **Thursday 1st March 2018** whether the abstract has been accepted. Notifications will be sent via email to the email address provided during submission. It is the authors' responsibility to ensure that emails from WBC 2018 can reach them.
Within the notification authors will be informed of the date, time and form of the presentation.

PUBLICATION POLICY

All abstracts accepted for presentation (oral or poster) will be published within the official abstract book of the meeting.

At WBC 2018 we are striving to introduce new media to help us engage with our audience, both during and after the congress. As a result we plan to record and stream the Oral and Keynote presentations online after the congress has taken place. This will mean that your presentation will have a larger audience as all delegates will be able to access the content post congress.

We will give delegates who have attended the congress free access to the content, while charging a fee to non attendees. Please [click here](#) to download the speaker waiver form which we need you to complete and return to us at wbc2018_abs@c-linkage.co.jp. Speakers who speak more than once should complete an individual form per presentation.

PRESENTATION OF ABSTRACTS

1. Abstracts can be accepted either as poster or oral communication, or both.
2. If your abstract is accepted as a poster, you will be requested to be available for discussion during the corresponding moderated poster viewing session held during the Congress. Posters should be designed to be A1 portrait-style. A1 dimensions are as follows 594mm(w) x841mm(H) or 33.1'(w) x 46.8'(h).
3. Please use letters large enough to be read from a distance of 1.5 metres (4.9 feet).
4. A speaker preview room will be available and each oral presenter is required to hand in their presentation before the session. No personal computers will be allowed. Files must be prepared on PowerPoint 2003/2007 format on a USB stick.
5. Oral presentations will be given further information on length of lecture and presentation details closer to the meeting.
6. Full presentation guidelines will be included in the acceptance letter and posted on the conference website.

OUTSTANDING STUDENT ABSTRACT AWARDS

To apply for nomination, students must fill in on-line application form in the separate page and submit it to the academic committee. Several outstanding applicants will be selected by the committee and be informed of receiving the award by Wednesday 28th March 2018. The awardees will be exempt from the registration fee for the Congress (More detailed information will be announced later).

PROBLEMS SUBMITTING?

If you experience any kind of problem or if you have questions, please do not hesitate to contact the abstract management team on the contact details below:

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