CALL FOR ABSTRACTS
5th Annual SHSA, A Virtual Conference
October 9 – 11, 2020

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Due to the ongoing restrictions of Covid19, the 5th SHSA will be held virtually, to allow for maximum participation and to provide learning opportunities for physicians, residents and fellows, AHW, medical students and patients/caregivers.

Co-hosted by the Canadian Hidradenitis Suppurativa Foundation (Canada) and the Hidradenitis Suppurativa Foundation (USA), the SHSA provides an interdisciplinary forum for researchers, scholars and clinicians from different disciplines to present the most recent innovations and practical challenges encountered and solutions adapted in the fields of HS.

We invite your abstract submission for inclusion as an oral or poster presentation. The deadline for submission is July 3, 2020. Register your attendance now by visiting the SHSA website at www.hs-symposium.org.

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IMPORTANT DATES
Abstract Submission Deadline…………………………………………………………Friday, July 3, 2020
Notice of Abstract Adjudication…………………………………………………………Friday, July 24, 2020
Registration deadline for presenting authors…………………………………………Friday, August 28, 2020
Online registration closes ………………………………………………………………..September 30, 2020

To submit your abstract, go to: http://www.shsaabstracts.com

Visit the website at www.hs-symposium.org to register online and for updated program information.
Abstract Submission Information

Abstract Information
Please indicate your preference for oral or poster presentation in the online submission. Due to the limited number of oral presentations available in the SHSA program, meritorious abstracts not assigned to oral presentation, will be accepted for posters. Indicate in the online submission system if you do not wish to accept a poster presentation in this instance, in which case your abstract may be declined should it not be accepted for oral presentation. Abstracts submitted by commercial industry representatives may only be considered for poster presentation.

An acknowledgement of your abstract submission(s) will be sent via email.

Abstracts will be peer reviewed, following the submission deadline on Friday, July 3, 2020. Notifications will be sent to the accepted abstract submitters by Friday, July 24, 2020. Correspondence will be directed to the submitting author.

Topics
Please submit your abstract by selecting one category out of the following that best describes its scientific content. Categories will be used for reviewing and indexing purposes.

- Epidemiology and Health Services Research
- Clinical Research
- Comorbidities and complications
- Basic & Translational research
- Therapy including surgical, medical, and complementary

Abstract Submission Process
To submit your abstract: http://www.shsaabstracts.com

Abstracts submissions will be accepted via the online submission system at www.shsaabstracts.com beginning February 2020. Abstracts sent by email or mail will not be accepted.

All abstracts submitted must address one of the conference topics for inclusion in the program. Abstracts should present new information, and not have been submitted or published elsewhere (at the time of submission). When submitting an abstract, please select the topic that best applies to your abstract. Topics can be selected from the drop-down menu in the online submission system.

Submitting authors and/or presenters may modify their submission(s) until the closing date of July 3, 2020 at 5:00pm PST.

Abstracts selected for presentations in the 5th Annual SHSA will be reproduced exactly as submitted and substitutions and changes will not be permitted. Be sure to proofread your abstract very carefully before submitting. Abstracts will be published as a proceeding report in a peer-reviewed journal.

Abstract Guidelines
- Prepare your abstract in MS Word
- Do not use presentation software, such as PowerPoint
- Limit your abstract (body) to no more than 300 words
- Refer to generic names, rather than brand names
- It is suggested, other than case presentations, to separate your abstract into three (3) paragraphs:
  - Introduction
  - Methods, Results
  - Conclusions
- Include learning objectives and a takeaway message.

Disclosure of Conflict
Authors are required to complete a Disclosure of Conflict form as part of the abstract submission. These will be included in the Final Program. Abstracts must be free of commercial bias and should only identify drug products by their generic names.

Condition of Acceptance
A condition of acceptance is that you must register for the conference. Conference registration must be received by Friday, August 28, 2020 in order for the abstract to be included in the program.

Abstracts selected for presentation at the Symposium on Hidradenitis Suppurativa Advances will be reproduced exactly as submitted in the Final Program and substitutions will not be permitted. Please proofread your abstract before submitting.

SHSA Travel Grants
As the 5th SHSA will now be a virtual conference, travel and educational grants will not be distributed for the 2020 conference.

Conference Venue:
*to be presented online. Login details will be sent to all registered attendees one week in advance of the conference.

Please visit the website: [www.hs-symposium.org](http://www.hs-symposium.org) for updated program, registration and hotel information.

Contact: shsa@simplyeventful.com