



OSMECON 2022

SYMPOSIUM 2022 RULES

TEAM CRITERIA –

- 1) Teams should consist of a minimum of 6 and maximum of 12 members, including the speakers, the researchers and the techies. All members must be undergraduates (including interns).
- 2) The team should have a minimum of 4 and maximum of 6 speakers in total.
- 3) A team can comprise of members from different medical colleges (inter college participation is accepted) and can also include some members from engineering colleges if topic demands.

SUBMISSION OF ABSTRACT

- 1) Each team should select a **MEDICALLY** relevant research topic and complete literature review, study design, data collection and analysis.
- 2) Each team must send in the abstracts of not more than 1500 words (From Title to the References) before the deadline (i.e. July 22nd) in the form of a Word document (.doc or .docx). Any abstracts submitted beyond this deadline will not be screened for presentation in prelims.
- 3) The abstract should contain the following in the order:
 - a) Title of Symposium.
 - b) Team member information, each in the following format:
 - i) Name of the student:
 - ii) OSMECON2022Registration Number:
 - iii) Designation: Speaker/Techie/Researcher or a combination thereof.
 - iv) College/Institute:
 - c) Title of the Research abstract, along with the name of the principal investigator, guide (with designation) and co-author, if any.
 - d) Introduction and Background of the Study.
 - e) Aims and Objectives.
 - f) Materials and Methods. (including selection criteria)
 - g) Statistical Analysis
 - h) References (in APA format)

Documents to be emailed:

Study Questionnaire and Informed Consent Forms.

2) The criteria for abstract screening include:

1. The originality of the topic chosen
2. The methodology- Hypothesis formulation, selection criteria, data collection, statistical analysis.
3. The results, their interpretation and discussion

The participants are advised to tailor their abstracts accordingly. The decision of the Symposium Abstract Selection Committee will be final in this regard.

THE PRESENTATION - SYMPOSIUM PRELIMS

- 1) Prelims will be conducted as a screening round on August 27th 2022
- 2) The symposium prelims comprises of the presentation of the research done to the judges and audience.
- 3) Each team must prepare an audio-visual presentation of their research together with a script for the speakers.
- 4) On the day of presentation, all team members should carry their OSMECON 2022 Registration ID.

TECHNICAL FORMAT REGULATIONS

- 1) The visual can be projected using a PowerPoint file (.ppt or .pptx) or as a video file (.MP4/.WMV/.AVI) only. (ppt presentation should contact). Kindly ensure the presentation is compatible with the software and plays appropriately.
- 2) The PowerPoint file is to be made using MS PowerPoint 2010 or higher versions only. If other versions have been used, please ensure the final file is PowerPoint 2013/2016 compatible.
- 3) The background music for the presentation must be incorporated into the presentation file itself. Light music is preferable, and please ensure that it does not overcome the voice of the speakers. (only background music, no voice)
- 4) Teams need to bring their own laptops with a projector port. Only VGA /HDMI cable shall be provided. (Try to Avoid MacBooks or other Apple products).
- 5) Please ensure that the speakers are in sync with the presentation file in advance.
- 6) Kindly ensure that the name of the college/institute to which the team belongs is NOT mentioned either in the presentation or the script
- 8) Kindly note that minimum 4 mics will be provided for speakers during the presentation.
- 7) Slots will be allocated for rehearsal to the teams prior the event.
- 8) If Any videos of patients are incorporated in the av presentation, kindly present the consent form.

TIME ALLOTTED (PRELIMS AND FINALS)

- 1) The presenters will be given a total of 14 minutes –
 - A) 10 minutes for the presentation. (An additional 2 mins in the beginning for tech setup)
 - B) At 8 minutes, the first bell will be given. Then, the final bell will be given at 10 minutes.
 - C) 4 minutes for Q&A

Note: 2 points will be deducted from the total score for every minute exceeded above the time

limit.

2) Presentation of the methodology, statistical analysis and results of the research should comprise AT LEAST 4 minutes of the Symposium, since this carries maximum weightage in terms of points.

SCORING

The teams will be scored on the following parameters:

- 1) Research- (33% of marks)
 - a. The methodology-Hypothesis formulation, selection criteria, data collection and analysis.
 - b. The results, their interpretation and discussion
- 2) The originality of the topic chosen and content (8% of marks)
- 3) The audio-visual presentation- the relevant background information, other content and visual effects. (16% of marks)
- 4) Overall coherence and message of the symposium (16% of marks) 5) Response to questions from the judges' panel (25% of marks).

FEEDBACK

All the participants as well as members of the audience are encouraged to fill out the OSMECON feedback form provided at the end of the event concerning their SYMPOSIUM experience and suggestions for improvement. We look forward to hearing from you.

Protocol blueprint

- Research Title (25 words max)
- AV Title (No limit)
- Introduction (300 - 400 words)
- Objectives (100 - 150 words)
- Methodology (700 - 800 words)
- Implications (100 - 150 words)
- References

The above stated word limit is an approximate guide for the students. Try to stick to the above.

Title:

Two titles should be written

1. Research title: It should make the central objectives and variables of the study clear to the reviewer(s).

• Example: - A Cross sectional study to assess risk factors for suicidal behavior in college going young adults in Hyderabad.

2. AV title: - Short, Accurate, Creative and concise

• Example: - To Be or Not To Be, That is the Question

Introduction:

Introduction is an initial pitch of the idea. It sets the scene and puts the research in context so that the reviewer may understand and appreciate the objectives. It should convey the rationale behind the study, what necessitates the study- the relevance and significance, your passion for the topic and defend the topic. Some questions that can be used to assess the significance of the study are:

a. Who has an interest in the domain of inquiry?

b. What do we already know about the topic?

c. Why this topic? How is it relevant in the current scenario?

d. What has not been answered adequately in previous research and practice? Are there any controversies related to the topic that have not been addressed?

e. How will this research add to knowledge, practice and policy in this area?

It Should contain 300 -400 words .The discussion should be supported with appropriate references.

Aims and Objectives:

• 1-3 objectives must be specified, it should give a clear notion of what is expected to be obtained from the study - what is to be described, determined, identified, compared and confirmed.

• Objectives should be specific to the point and achievable.

Methodology:

Describe all the procedures that will be used to achieve the

objectives. It includes

1. Type of study (observational/ experimental)
2. Study design (cross-sectional, case-control, etc)
3. Study population
4. Sample size
5. Selection criteria (inclusion and exclusion criteria)
6. Data Collection procedures and instruments used
7. Plan of analysis, statistical tools being used
8. Ethical considerations with all required forms

Ethical considerations refer to the protection of the participants' rights (right to self-determination, right to privacy, right to autonomy and confidentiality, right to fair treatment and right to protection from discomfort and harm), obtaining informed consent and the institutional review process (ethical approval). The researcher needs to provide adequate information on each of these aspects. Informed consent needs to be obtained from the participants as well as the research site and the relevant authorities.

Implications:

Describes what is expected to be achieved or gained from the proposed research. This could be given in terms of knowledge gained by the student or in terms of scientific advancement.

References:

Provide appropriate references in **Vancouver** style only from recently published journals/ literature supporting the proposed research. Do not quote websites or newspaper articles.