

ABSTRACT SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

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Submitted abstracts are graded individually by peer reviewers based on scientific merit and originality. The total number of abstracts allowed to be presented by the same author is five (5). Abstracts must be written in English and, if accepted, presented in English. All labelled images and data graphics should be in English. Submissions **must not** include PowerPoint slides.

The World Congress of Endourology and Uro-Technology Program Committee will determine the format of the presentation. Accepted abstracts are assigned to be presented in a poster or video session.

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Basic Science: BPH/LUTS
Basic Science: Oncology
Basic Science: Reconstruction
Basic Science: Stones
Basic Science: Urinary Incontinence
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BPH/LUTS: Outcomes & Complications
Clinical Oncology: Outcomes & Complications
Clinical Stones: SWL
Clinical Stones: Ureteroscopy
Clinical Stones: PCNL
Clinical Stones: Medical Management
Clinical Stones: Outcomes
Clinical Stones: Pediatrics
Clinical Stones: Equipment (stents, lasers, guidewires, sheaths)
Clinical Urinary Incontinence: Therapies
Education, Simulation & Virtual Reality
Endoscopic
Epidemiology, Health Policy, Socioeconomics & Outcomes
Imaging & Image Guided Therapy: New Therapies
Imaging & Image Guided Therapy: Radiation Safety
Laparoscopic/ Robotic: Adrenal
Laparoscopic/ Robotic: Renal
Laparoscopic/ Robotic: Bladder
Laparoscopic/ Robotic: Prostate
Laparoscopic/ Robotic: Other
LESS/NOTES
MIS Image Guided/ Focal-cryo/RFA/HIFU: Kidney
MIS Image Guided/ Focal-cryo/RFA/HIFU: Prostate
New Technology: Infection
New Technology: Laparoscopy & Robotics
New Technology: Miscellaneous
New Technology: Stones
Reconstruction: Benign
Reconstruction: Malignant
Reconstruction: Pediatrics
Reconstruction: Outcomes & Complications
Urinary Incontinence: Outcomes & Complications

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VIDEO ABSTRACT SUBMISSION CATERGORIES

Adrenal

BPH

Female Urology

Laparoscopy: Upper Tract - Benign

Laparoscopy: Upper Tract - Malignant

Laparoscopy: LowerTract - Benign

Laparoscopy: Lower Tract - Malignant

Pediatrics

Robotic Surgery: Lower Tract - Benign

Robotic Surgery: Lower Tract - Malignant

Robotic Surgery: Upper Tract - Benign

Robotic Surgery: UpperTract - Malignant

Robotic Surgery: New Techniques - Benign

Robotic Surgery: New Techniques - Malignant

Stones: PCNL

Stones: Ureteroscopy

Transplantation/ Donor Nephrectomy

Other, Miscellaneous

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2. Title: The title should clearly define the topic and contain no abbreviations. The title should **not** be in all capital letters.

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- ***The body must contain four separate paragraphs:*** a) Introduction and Objective, b) Methods, c) Results and d) Conclusions.
- It is NOT acceptable to state that "The results will be discussed." Inclusion of specific data is helpful to the reviewers.
- Indicate the major new findings of the study.
- Standard abbreviations may be used as follows: for the first use, spell out the full term and then follow with the abbreviation in parentheses each time thereafter.
- Graphs and / or tables may be used; characters in graphs and tables are counted towards the overall character limit of the abstract. Please include as attachments.
- Proprietary names of drugs are not allowed; generic names must be used.

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6. Source of Funding: Grant support must be indicated on the "Source of Funding" page. If there is no support, "None" must be listed. This is a required field in the submission process. *Abstracts deemed to be purely for marketing purposes will not be accepted.*

7. Conflict of Interest and Disclosure Statement: All authors must disclose conflicts of interest. The electronic submission process will not allow abstracts to be submitted without this information being completed for each author listed on the abstract.

8. Keywords: Authors must select up to three (3) keyword entries from the provided Keyword Index that best describes the subject of the abstract.

9. Topic List: Authors must select a category from the provided list.

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DIGITAL VIDEO SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

1. Content: Only one subject per presentation is allowed. All digital videos must be recorded in English and have some sound guiding through the procedure. The opening of the presentation should begin with the exact title and the authors' full names. All videos must be accompanied by a written abstract. Video footage should contain minimal still photos and PowerPoint slides and be made up of mostly surgical footage.

2. Length: The videos may not exceed five (5) minutes in total length. **Digital video presentations that are longer than five (5) minutes in duration will automatically be rejected.**

3. Format: The WCET video program is now only in digital format. It is important that the overall quality of the video is as high as possible and in accordance with the guideline specified in the instructions.

4. Quality: All submitted videos will be reviewed initially for picture and sound clarity. Poor sound and picture will be excluded for consideration regardless of the quality of the content.

5. Accepted Standard: All videos will be finalized into DVD format using the NTSC standard:

- 720x480 pixels
- 4:3 pixel aspect ratio
- 30 frames per second (29.97 fps based on drop frames)

6. Accepted File Types: Please compress or "zip" all video files when uploading to the site. Maximum 350000Kb (350 Mb) File Limit.

- MP4
- Raw video files (.avi with little or no spatial compression)
- .Mov files

**Please note that MP4 submissions are the strongest quality and are preferred.*

7. Video Return & Presentation: Non-accepted presentations will be destroyed. Submitted videos will be presented onsite. Video submitters are not required to re-upload videos upon acceptance or bring the video file to the meeting.

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Frequently Asked Questions

Q: What is the NTSC Standard?

A: National Television System Committee (Abr.) The NTSC is responsible for setting television and video standards in the United States (in Europe and the rest of the world, the dominant television standards are PAL and SECAM). The NTSC standard for television defines a composite video signal with a refresh rate of 60 half-frames (interlaced) per second. Each frame contains 525 lines and can contain 16 million different colors.

Q: What is a pixel?

A: A combination of the words “picture” and “element.” A pixel is the smallest discernible sample of video information, the “little squares” that make up an overall picture.

Q: What is an Aspect Ratio?

A: Aspect ratios can be difficult to understand. We will define the two that pertain to the NTSC standard: Display Aspect Ratio and Pixel Aspect Ratio. Pixel Aspect Ratio defines the ratio of width to height (w:h) of each individual pixel. Therefore, each pixel is wider than it is tall by a 4:3 (w:h) ratio. Display Aspect Ratio is the ratio (w:h) of the number of pixels that make up the entire frame, consisting of thousands of 4:3 (w:h) pixels. For example, a frame that adheres to the NTSC standard is 720 x 480 pixels (3:2 Display Aspect Ratio) in size and requires each pixel to maintain a 4:3 Pixel Aspect Ratio.

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