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Submission Deadline:
February 11, 2011

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2011 SVU Annual Conference
JUNE 16-18, 2011 ■ CHICAGO, IL

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Don't miss this opportunity to contribute to the vascular profession and be recognized at the 2011 Society for Vascular Ultrasound (SVU) Annual Conference gathering of vascular technology professionals, vascular physicians, and industry representatives dedicated to vascular disease and its diagnosis and treatment. SVU will be meeting in conjunction with the Society for Vascular Surgery (SVS).

Your oral or poster presentation abstract submission for the SVU's 2011 Annual Conference may be on a topic of your choice. Material must be original and not previously presented or published. Case studies or a small series of patient studies are not usually considered for oral presentation, but are welcome for posters or case study sessions when offered at the SVU Annual Conference.

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You are invited....

to submit abstracts for oral and poster presentations for this important collaborative educational meeting.

Paula Walsh, RVT RDMS RDCS
Chair, 2011 SVU Annual Conference
Program Committee

Send your abstract via e-mail by February 11, 2011 to: abstracts@svunet.org.

Questions?

Call 301-459-7550 or 800-788-8346.

DEADLINES

Remember these deadlines for participation in the 2011 SVU Annual Conference:

February 11, 2011

Abstracts due to SVU National Office

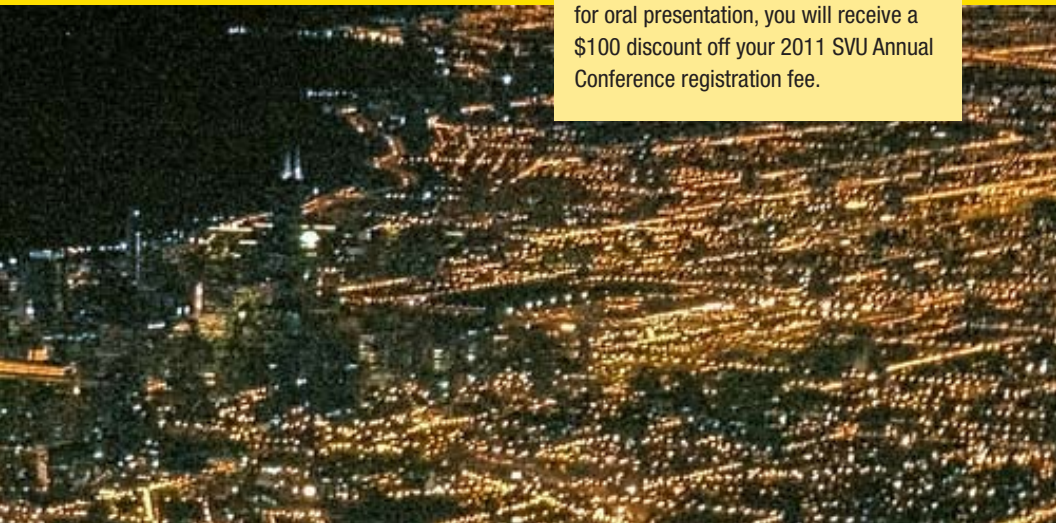
March 7, 2011

Notification by this date of acceptance of abstracts

April 4, 2011

Manuscripts due for all accepted oral and poster presentations

BONUS If your abstract(s) is submitted by the 02.11.11 deadline, and is accepted for oral presentation, you will receive a \$100 discount off your 2011 SVU Annual Conference registration fee.



Writing an Abstract

An abstract is a brief synopsis (200–300 words) of your presentation that provides a comprehensive overview of your clinical or scientific research. It is very important that your submitted abstract is complete and includes **ALL** of the following four essential parts when submitted to SVU.

SCIENTIFIC ABSTRACT

- 1. Introduction** — a one or two sentence introduction that clearly states the purpose of the study or presentation.
- 2. Methods** — a brief description of the research methods used. This section should be kept to a minimum unless the topic deals with a unique methodology or is linked to a particular technique.
- 3. Results** — should be presented in sentence format and contain sufficient detail to support your conclusions.

Tables, figures, and graphs that demonstrate these results are not needed—and not recommended—in an abstract, but you should explain how you will get the results.

- 4. Conclusion** — sums up the major conclusions of the presentation and provides a take-home message to the reader.

Please note: Failure to include details on these four essential parts can result in the Abstracts Subcommittee not judging your abstract.

CASE STUDY OR CLINICAL PAPERS

Case reports of rare or unusual findings, either normal or pathologic, will be considered for presentation. These reports should contain an introductory paragraph, patient description, methods, results, and discussion.

How your abstract is evaluated

Abstracts are blinded before they are sent to the SVU Abstracts Subcommittee for scoring. Selection is based on the following criteria:

Originality and Content

- Adequately describes new technique (or new application of old technique)

Clarity of Presentation

- English used correctly
- Spelling and punctuation
- Purpose, methods, and conclusions

clearly stated

- Informative presentation with clear interpretation of statistics, graphs, etc.

Method of Presentation

- Presentation holds interest
- Appropriate visual aids (PowerPoint presentations with video clips)
- Adhered to allotted time
- Adequately answered questions
- Submitted on time and includes all required information.

Submitting Your Abstract

Your abstract MUST contain the following important information to be considered by SVU's Abstracts Subcommittee. All abstracts must be submitted electronically by the due date.

Title: A title describes the nature of your presentation.

Primary Author: Include the primary author's first name, middle initial, last name, and degrees /certifications. Follow this with your institution name, city, and state (and country if submitted from outside the United States).

Author Category: Please indicate under which of the following categories you should be listed in the abstract judging (indicate all that apply):

- First-Time Presenter
- Student**
- Physician
- Technologist/Sonographer
- Resident
- Fellow (If so, indicate what discipline)
- PhD

** Students must provide a letter on school letterhead from the program director or registrar indicating that you are a student in their vascular ultrasound education program.

Presenter: Indicate who will make the presentation at the Annual Conference, if the abstract is selected by the Abstracts Subcommittee. Provide the Presenter's

SVU ID number. If the presenter is not a SVU member, provide the name, telephone number, and SVU ID number of the presenters' SVU sponsor.

Abstract Synopsis: 200–300 words. (See abstract 4 essential parts guidelines.)

Contact Information: At the end of the abstract, provide the names, degrees/certifications, job titles, affiliations, addresses, phone and fax numbers, and e-mail addresses of all authors of the abstract.

Type of Presentation: Indicate whether the presentation is a paper (oral presentation) or a poster presentation. Please make note that all oral presentation abstracts not accepted for presentation are automatically considered for poster presentation.

Indicate which category you want your presentation judged:

- Scientific Oral
- Clinical Oral
- Poster Scientific
- Poster Case Study

JVU Right of First Refusal: Your abstract submission must include this statement: "I agree that SVU's *Journal for Vascular Ultrasound* has the right of first refusal for this original abstract and manuscript material."

Submit your abstract by **February 10, 2011** to abstracts@svunet.org.

Rules for Submission

Abstracts submitted via e-mail will receive an e-mail confirmation from the SVU National Office. If you do not receive an e-mail confirmation, please contact the SVU National Office (800-788-8346) to confirm receipt of your abstract.

1. A presenter is required to be a SVU member or be sponsored by a SVU member.

EXCEPTION: Student Awards (Alex Chao, MD, Young Investigator Award, Best Student Oral Presentation Award and Best Student Poster Presentation Award) do not need to be submitted by an SVU member.

2. If the oral presentation abstract is accepted, one of the authors must present it at the 2011 SVU Annual Conference in Chicago, IL, June 16-18, 2011.
3. If the abstract is accepted for an oral presentation or poster, the author must submit a manuscript to the SVU National Office by April 4, 2011 for review. Manuscript review is an essential part of the awards process; missing this deadline will make you ineligible for any SVU awards consideration and you may not be allowed to present.

SVU will forward all manuscripts to the editor of SVU's *Journal for Vascular Ultrasound*, which will have the Right of First Refusal for publication in a future *Journal for Vascular Ultrasound* issue. Do not send your abstract to the JVu Editor, it must be sent first to the SVU national

office. Failure to sign the JVu Right of First Refusal Form will automatically eliminate your manuscript from presentation at the Annual Conference.

4. If the abstract is accepted for a poster presentation, a manuscript must be submitted to the SVU National Office by April 4, 2011, and SVU may request that you develop the poster into a format that can be used in the SVU Online CME Program or a Case Study for the *Journal for Vascular Ultrasound*.
5. **Privacy of patients** — revealing the identity of patients in a public forum is against the law under HIPAA federal regulations. Please remove all patient identification information (in slides, posters, and any other part of a presentation as well as the abstract). Do not include the name of an institution in the abstract text.
6. Abstracts that are primarily commercial in nature will not be accepted.
7. **ABSTRACTS SUBMISSIONS NOT ADHERING TO PUBLISHED SVU ABSTRACT FORMAT GUIDELINES WILL BE DISQUALIFIED AND RETURNED TO THE SUBMITTING AUTHOR.**

Need help with
your abstract?

Awards Recognize Outstanding Achievement!

Submitted abstracts that meet the abstract and manuscript deadline dates will be considered for the following SVU awards:

D.E. Strandness, MD, Scientific Award

10-minute oral presentation of scientific research in vascular technology. This award is in honor of the "Father of Noninvasive Diagnosis," D.E. Strandness, MD.

Alex Chao, MD, Young Investigator Award

10-minute presentation of scientific research conducted by a Resident of a vascular surgery program, Fellow or PhD candidate in a related field with an interest in vascular ultrasound.

Excellence in Oral Clinical Presentation Award

10-minute oral presentation of clinical interest or case study in vascular technology.

Excellence in Scientific Poster Presentation Award

Displays of text, photographs, charts, and graphs with an opportunity to discuss the work with your peers on a one-to-one basis.

Excellence in Case Study Poster Presentation Award

Case reports of rare or unusual findings, either normal or pathologic, will be considered for presentation.

First-Time Presenters Award for SVU Members

Award recognizes a current SVU member who is the primary author and first-time presenter of a scientific paper presented at the Annual Conference.

STUDENT AWARDS

Best Student Oral Presentation Award

10-minute oral presentation by a student who is the primary author and presenter of a paper of outstanding research or interesting clinical topic in vascular technology.

Best Student Poster Presentation Awards

Case reports of rare or unusual findings, either normal or pathologic, will be considered for presentation.

For further information on how to write an abstract, please see the article on it by Ann Marie Kupinski, PhD RVT FSVU, in the "Tools of the Trade" area of the Members-Only section on the SVU website at www.svunet.org/mo/intro.php3.

If you would like a mentor assigned to you, please contact SVU and an experienced author or member of the Abstracts Subcommittee will be assigned to help you and answer any questions you may have on writing your abstract.



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