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INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE 2009
Southern Sun, Elangeni Hotel, Durban, 21 – 23 October
2009**



CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

Abstracts of research results in all disciplines of Sports Medicine, are requested for submission for the forthcoming SASMA Conference. Abstracts will be peer reviewed for scientific content and authors will be informed if the paper/poster is accepted or not by the **21 August 2009**.

1. **Paper** presentations will be 15 minutes with five minutes for discussion.
2. **Posters** will not be presented, but authors will be required to be available at their posters for discussion
3. **Patient Presentations** will be 10 minutes with 5 minutes for discussion.
4. **2 X 2 presentations** are mini clinical experience presentations, where delegates are invited to present 2 slides in 2 minutes, with an interesting message or learning experience. These presentations are only submitted on day 1 of the conference

The deadline for submissions is **31 July 2009**. Abstract submissions will only be accepted in electronic format.

Read the following instructions carefully before submitting your abstract.

Please submit your abstract by e-mail to **Arina Otto** at gesal.fin@ufs.ac.za

- E-mail submissions must have “**SASMA Abstract**” in the subject line.
- Abstract must be in **English**.
- Please format your abstract in Microsoft Word. The abstract must be attached, not included in the body of the e-mail.
- Select the following Page Setup:
 - A4 paper size
 - Top margin, 1.5cm
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- Your abstract may not exceed the above margins and you are limited to one page. (*If your abstract does not fit into the above dimensions please adjust your wording accordingly*).
- Title in bold capital letters (**11 point Arial typeface**) centred at the top of the page.
- Thereafter authors' names and affiliations should be centred, in upper and lower case.

- Underline the presenting author's name.
- Thereafter type the body of the abstract using single spacing and in **10 point Arial typeface** (not bold).

1. Papers and posters:

- The body of the abstract should contain the following: Introduction, Methods, Results and Conclusion. References are optional. Incomplete abstracts e.g. with "results to be provided later" will not be accepted.
- On a separate page, please state
 - The presenting author's title, first name, surname
 - E-mail address, telephone- and fax numbers
 - Title of abstract

Please indicate clearly if your presentation is a paper or poster. We cannot be held responsible for any errors.

Poster Size: 84cm x 119cm i.e. A1 size card.

Please note that ONLY PORTRAIT POSTERS can be accommodated on the poster boards that will be supplied at the conference.

2. Patient presentations

- The body of the abstract should contain the following
 - Background; [1-2 sentences]
 - Description of the clinical experience/technique: [8-12 sentences]
 - Conclusions: [1-2 sentences]
- On a separate page, please state
 - The presenting author's title, first name, surname
 - E-mail address, telephone- and fax numbers
- Title of abstract

(The patient presentation should have the following format:

 - History, examination, diagnosis/differential diagnosis and progression – 3 minutes
 - Discussion of clinical experience – 6 minutes
 - Conclusion - 1 minute)

3. 2x2 presentations

- Your slides must be submitted to the audiovisual room before 16:00 on Wednesday, 21 October.
- The slides must contain
 - A title slide
 - 2 content slides illustrating a clinical experience
 - A conclusion slide

Contact details:

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