



### Abstract Marking Criteria for the 61<sup>st</sup> ASMR National Scientific Conference

Abstracts submitted for the 61<sup>st</sup> ASMR National Scientific Conference will be assessed by a panel of medical researchers from the NSC Committee, ASMR Board and ASMR membership list, sourced from a diverse range of research areas. Abstracts will be scored out of 30 according to the following criteria:

| CRITERIA:  | Total Marks | SCORE |
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| <b>Background and Aims:</b><br>Is a clear and concise background provided? Is it sufficient to understand the research?<br>Is the knowledge gap and rationale for the research contextualised?<br>Are the aims of the research clear, concise and appropriate?   | 5           |       |
| <b>Methods</b><br>Is the experimental approach appropriate for addressing the Aims, and clearly summarised?<br>Are appropriate controls included?<br>Where possible, were the study groups outlined and appropriate statistical tests utilised?  | 5           |       |
| <b>Results</b><br>Are the data presented appropriately (units, statistics, descriptive context)?<br>Are the data appropriately analysed and critically considered?<br>Do the results support the Aims?   | 5           |       |
| <b>Conclusions and Impact</b><br>Is there a clear conclusion derived from the results?<br>What is the significance of the research to their field but, also to the broader Australia health or medical research community?<br>Is the research new/original or being done to gain a new perspective?  | 5           |       |
| <b>General</b><br>Does the abstract meet the formatting requirements and word count (300 words)?<br>Is the title informative and appropriate for the content presented?<br>Is the abstract written clearly with minimal jargon?<br>Is the scientific abstract written for a multidisciplinary scientific audience?<br>Is the abstract cohesive through the different sections? | 5           |       |
| <b>Lay Summary</b><br>Is the lay summary within the word limit (100 words)?<br>Can the abstract be understood by a lay audience? (1 mark)<br>Do they provide a simplified background, aims, methods, results and conclusions?<br>Importantly, does the abstract cover the significance and impact of the research to the health and medical community?                         | 5           |       |
| <b>TOTAL SCORE</b>   | 30          |       |