**INSTRUCTIONS FOR AUTHORS**

**ASMR NSW Annual Scientific Meeting 2025**

**Abstract Guidelines**

**PLEASE NOTE: only one abstract can be submitted per registration Presentations Available**

Please indicate presentation preference in the application form below. Presentation preference will be accommodated where possible. However, in lodging an abstract submission the author accepts the presentation style allocated by the Programming Committee.

Presentation types:

* ***Alan Skyring Memorial Award Presentation****: 8-minute presentation + 2-minute discussion.*
* ***Oral presentation****: 8-minute presentation + 2-minute discussion or 3-minute presentation + 1-minute discussion*
* ***Poster presentation****: Posters must be standard A0 size in portrait orientation, including title, authors, institute, text and data. Posters must be readable from a distance of 1.5 metres. Presenters are expected to stand by their posters and answer questions during the allocated times.*

Authors will be notified by email of abstract acceptance and type of presentation.

**ELIGIBILITY FOR DISCOUNTED REGISTRATION**

**You must be an ASMR member or have applied for membership prior to registration to be eligible for discounted registration at this event (join online** [here](https://asmr.org.au/membership-application/)).

**ELIGIBILITY AND VALUE OF AWARDS**

Awards will be judged by a panel of Senior Scientists for the clarity of presentation, the quality of data, relevance to hypothesis and demonstration of understanding of the importance to health.

1. **Alan Skyring Memorial Award:** Finalists will be expected to give an **ORAL** presentation. You must be a Mid-Career Researcher (5-12 years post-PhD, [career disruptions as per NHMRC guidelines taken into consideration](https://www.nhmrc.gov.au/about-us/resources/nhmrc-relative-opportunity-policy)). A **TWO**-page CV, including publications, awards received and contributions to the community as well as a supporting statement should be provided on abstract submission. Applicants not adhering to these guidelines will NOT be considered for this award. Winner will receive a $1000 prize. **Abstract Submissions for this Award close at 9am on Monday, 21 July 2025.**
2. **ASMR has introduced two prizes in 2025**, they are designed to enhance the recipients’ communications and skills development and will be awarded to the top two oral presentations at this Annual Scientific Meeting. All oral presentations by RAs, Students (Hons to PhDs) and ECRs up to 3 years post-PhD are eligible:
   1. **The ASMR Communication Excellence Award -** $2,000 cash prize, a free ticket to the NSW Gala Dinner on 21 October 2025, a personal communications workshop, and a video of your presentation featured on the ASMR’s website and social media;
   2. **The Instats Skills Development Prize** – a 12-month membership of the [Instats](https://instats.org/) global education platform valued at $1,500**.**
3. **Early Career Researcher 8 min Presentation Award:** Open to Early Career Researchers (within 5 years of receiving their PhD). Winner will receive a $250 prize.
4. **Early Career Researcher 3 min Presentation Award:** Open to Early Career Researchers (within 5 years of receiving their PhD). Winner will receive a $200 prize.
5. **Early Career Researcher Poster Presentation Award:** Open to Early Career Researchers (within 5 years of receiving their PhD). Winner will receive a $150 prize.
6. **PhD 8 min presentation award:** Open to PhD students. Winner will receive a $250 prize.
7. **PhD 3 min presentation award:** Open to PhD students. Winner will receive a $200 prize.
8. **PhD Poster Presentation Award:** Open to PhD students. Winner will receive a $150 prize.
9. **Best Presentation by an Honours Student or Research Assistant:** $100 prize for a poster or oral presentation by an Honours student or Research Assistant.

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All abstracts are to be uploaded online at time of Registration, using the document template on page 5. **PLEASE NOTE: only one abstract can be submitted per registration**

Abstract submissions extended to **5pm on Friday, 11 July 2025**

All registration details, including online registration are available online through the website <https://asmr.org.au/asmr-mrw/nsw/>

To submit an abstract please indicate the relevant categories for your abstract on page 4 and complete the abstract template on page 5. Please **DO NOT change margins or text formatting in any way.**

**Abstract preparation:**

* Please use the abstract template below. **DO NOT** **CHANGE** margins, spacing or text formatting.
* Font to be used is Arial 11 pt, with 1.15 line spacing.
* The **title** of the abstract is **limited to 20 words**.
* Author names should be under the title, with the name of the presenting author underlined
* Affiliations should be under the author names and listed in the order of “Department, Institute, City, State and Country
* **Abstract is limited to 300 words** (not including title, authors, affiliations and keywords). Please also include 5 keywords describing your research
* Files should be saved as a Word document with the **first author’s last name, first initial and presentation preference separated by underscores**as the file name, e.g. Smith\_J\_Poster.doc

**If applying for the Alan Skyring Memorial Award you must email the separate application to katriona@asmr.org.au**

All enquiries regarding abstract submission should be emailed to [Andie Thorpe](mailto:Andrew.e.thorpe@student.uts.edu.au).

**PLEASE INDICATE:**

1. **Your preferred presentation format:**

8-minute presentation + Q&A

3-minute presentation + Q&A

Poster presentation

1. **Whether you wish to be considered for awards**

**Please select any awards you wish your abstract to be considered for**

Alan Skyring Memorial Award (5-12 years post-doctoral).

***Please complete the separate application and email to katriona@asmr.org.au to be considered for the Alan Skyring Memorial Award.***

Most outstanding Early Career Researcher Award (≤ 5 years post-doctoral)

8 min presentation

3 min presentation

Poster presentation

PhD Student Award

8 min presentation

3 min presentation

Poster presentation

1. **1-2 subject areas relevant to your abstract:**

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| Physiology  Reproductive and developmental biology  Cell biology  Biotechnology  Molecular biology  Psychology  Animal models  Nutrition | Biochemistry  Immunology  Clinical research  Genetic, epigenetic or small RNAs  Pathology  Dentistry  Other (please specify): |

**ABSTRACT TEMPLATE**

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