



## A Call for Free Papers and Posters

**SUBMISSION DEADLINE 14 OCTOBER 2011**

### Topic Areas

*Abstracts are encouraged from, but not restricted to, the following topic areas:*

- ▶ Basic Sciences

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- ▶ **Cerebral Palsy**

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- ▶ Gait

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- ▶ **Imaging**

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- ▶ Innovations in Neuro-rehabilitation

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- ▶ **Movement Disorders**

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- ▶ Multiple Sclerosis

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- ▶ **Neurodegenerative Disorders**

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- ▶ Neuro-oncology

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- ▶ **Neuropathic Pain**

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- ▶ Neuroplasticity

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- ▶ **Paediatrics**

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- ▶ Service Delivery in Neuro-rehabilitation

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- ▶ **Spasticity**

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- ▶ Spinal Cord Injury

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- ▶ **Stroke**

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- ▶ Traumatic Brain Injury

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- ▶ **Upper Limb Rehabilitation**

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- ▶ Research Methodology and Population Health

The WCNR Program sub-committee will be responsible for peer-reviewing submitted abstracts and responses will be sent by December 3rd 2011. The abstracts of selected free papers are eligible for publication in the *Journal of Neurorehabilitation and Neural Repair*.

The WCNR Program sub-committee therefore must ensure that abstracts are compatible with publication. Some abstracts may need to be amended and you may be contacted by the Reviewer to discuss these changes.

Selected poster presenters will be asked to join a Rapid Communication Session where they will have approximately 90 seconds to speak about their poster. Please indicate on the application form if you are willing to participate in this session.

*Please note: If your abstract is accepted, presenters will be expected to register for a minimum of one day for the Congress by the Early Bird Registration Deadline 15 February 2012 or the presentation will be withdrawn from the program.*

### IMPORTANT DATES:

**14 October 2011**

**Symposia & Papers Submission Deadline**

**November 2011** | Online registration opens

**15 February 2012** | Earlybird deadline

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## Free Papers and Posters | Submission instructions

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Submit your abstract online at

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Only online submissions will be accepted

**Abstract title** should be in BLOCK CAPITALS. The abstract title should be short, informative and contain the major key words. It should be Times New Roman, uppercase, bold, 12 points font size, and justified.

**Authors' names** should be on the next line with authors' last name and first initial (with presenting author in bold). Superscript numbers must be used to indicate the author's institution, followed by city and state (in this order). Do not include degrees or professional titles (eg Dr, Prof., etc). *See example below:*

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**Authors' organisations / institutions** should appear on the next line and should include the city, state and country of the organizations/institutions.

### Abstract Text

- ▶ Abstract text must be in 10 point Times New Roman, single-spaced and justified.
- ▶ Abstracts are to be a maximum of 300 words, including references.
- ▶ There is to be a maximum of 2 references.
- ▶ Abstract should address:
  1. Background and aim(s)
  2. Method,
  3. Result(s)
  4. Conclusion(s)
- ▶ Use standard abbreviations only, within the body of the abstract
- ▶ When using abbreviations spell out the name in full at the first mention and follow with the abbreviation in parenthesis. Abbreviations may be used in the title, provided the name in full is outlined in the body of the abstract.
- ▶ Capitalise the first letter of trade names.

Care should be taken to ensure high quality English expression and grammar and contents should include the following sections:

### Background and Aims

Include one or two sentences to introduce the broad topic area and provide a reason for the study, then a clear statement of the study aims. A hypothesis could be included in this section. Reference word counts are included in the word limit and authors are advised to keep references to a minimum by using an abbreviated referencing system, ie *First author et al., no title, year of publication, abbreviated journal title, volume, pages.*

### Methods

In this section information on participants (and /or subjects) should be provided. Data may include the number of participants, demographic information such as age and gender as well as the method of recruitment. (ie a random sample or a convenient sample). Relevant inclusion and exclusion criteria, sample size calculation (if presenting a randomised clinical trial), measures and procedures used in the study are to be described in this section along with descriptions of analyses.

### Results

The purpose of the result section is to provide a description of the study's main findings. Submitted abstracts must include actual results. Reference to inferred results that were unavailable at the time of submission is not acceptable, however, reporting data from additional recruitment or updated analyses after abstract submission, is allowed. Results should be expressed as means or medians and the spread of the results indicated as ranges, standard deviations or 95% confidence intervals, as appropriate. Probability values must be included, but are not sufficient of themselves without descriptive statistics (means, etc).

### Conclusions

In this section authors should provide statements of interpretation and implication of findings, as well as comparison with previous literature. The conclusion should not be a simple restatement of the results.