



Abstract Submissions

Abstract Submissions for USICONs - Annual Conference of USI

Abstracts are invited for presentation during the annual conference in one of the following formats:

- USI Best Paper Prize
- USI Best Poster prize
- USI Best Video Prize
- USI Best prize for Innovations in Urology
- Podium Session
- Video Session
- Moderated Poster Session
- Unmoderated Poster Session
- Unmoderated Video Station

General Instructions:

- All abstracts must be the original, unpublished work of the authors, with all listed authors (maximum six) having significant contribution to the completion of the work.
- The paper should not have been presented in any conference earlier.
- All abstracts for any form of presentation must follow the prescribed guidelines and the paper must be submitted in the prescribed format only.
- All Submission will be made electronically only through the Abstract Submission Portal of USI Website
- The videos for the Prize Video Category and for free video session category have to be sent to the Central Office. Instructions and guidelines for the same can be viewed on the online Abstract Submission Page
- Submission of an abstract constitutes the author's commitment to present the abstract if accepted and in the session as assigned by the office of the Honorary Secretary
- All expenses associated with the preparation and presentation of the abstracts is the responsibility of the author/presenter.
- All presenters must register for the conference.
- Abstracts of the accepted papers will be printed in the abstract book as it is. Hence authors must ensure error free text.
- Abstracts not following these guidelines will be rejected.
- The presenting author for any prize paper / video / poster should be a member of the USI.
- For USI Best Prize Paper and USI Best Prize for Innovations / New Technologies in Urology, apart from online abstract submission, copy of the full paper has to be submitted to the Hon. Secretary at usisecretary@gmail.com with a copy to centraloffice.usi1@gmail.com latest by the last date of abstract submission by email.
- Kindly follow all the USI guidelines for prize papers.
- Each presenter will be allowed to present a maximum of only two papers in any format.
- Members who fail to present a paper after acceptance will be debarred from presentation in the national conference for one year.
- Paper should not be repeated in different formats like Podium / Poster / Video.
- All papers will be sent to five referees for evaluation. After peer review the paper may be shifted from one presentation type to another.



Category of Paper:

ONE category from the following that most closely describes the material of the presentation must be selected and its serial number entered at the appropriate spot in the abstracts form.

01. Andrology
02. Bladder Dysfunction
03. Endourology - Lower Tract - Bladder, Prostate, Urethra
04. Endourology - Upper Tract - Kidney, Ureter
05. Female Urology
06. Laparoscopy - Non Oncology
07. Miscellaneous
08. Pediatric Urology
09. Reconstructive Surgery - Others
10. Reconstructive Surgery - Urethra
11. Renal Tx & Vascular Access Surgery
12. Urooncology - General
13. Urooncology - Laparoscopy
14. Urooncology - Robotic

Abstract:

Abstracts for all types of presentation must follow the common pattern as given below:

A. Size:

Body of the Abstract should not exceed more than 250 words.

The title, authors, institution, city and state should be mentioned in upper box provided on the abstract form.

Abstract that do not adhere to this format will be rejected.

B. Title:

Type entire title in capital letters. Do not use abbreviation in the title.

C. Authors:

List each authors as Surname followed by Initials

Do not use titles, degrees or position

Use comma between authors name

Do not use all capital letters for author's names

D. Institution and City/ State/Country

List the main institution where the work has been conducted. In case of multi center involvement, name the primary institution.

E. Body of text:

Abstract should be informative and specific. The body must contain four separate paragraphs; each preceded by the heading (a) Introduction and Objective (b) Methods (c) Results (d) Conclusions.

Standard abbreviations may be used but must be written in full at first use. Propriety names of drugs are not allowed.

Electronic Submission:

All the Abstracts must be submitted online. (Chrome Browser or with Microsoft Internet Explorer 5.0 or higher).

Visit the USI Website www.usi.org.in for electronic submission.

Last date for electronic submission is 31 August or as specified in the newsletter. Confirmation will be sent by email to the e-mail address supplied by the author in the electronic submission.

Electronic submission should reach the central office before 31st August.

No abstract will be considered for peer evaluation unless submitted in the electronic submission format.



Video Submission:

- Only one video per abstract must be sent to the central office (in the format mentioned on the abstract submission page online).
- All videos must contain the final edited version.
- Videos should not contain any title; authors' names as in the abstract and place of work should also not be mentioned.
This is to enable blinding of the material before being sent for peer review. Any submission not following the guideline will automatically be rejected.
- The running time for Prize session is 8 minutes and 6 minutes for video session with 2 minutes for discussion.

USI Best Paper Prize

- This competition is open to any member of the USI, full or trainee, who is either in Urology residency training or has been in practice for less than five years from the date of completion of his/her Urology training.
- The paper must be in the field of Urology or ancillary discipline contributing to Urology.
- The paper should be written by one author and the material presented must be significant work of the author carried out in India. In case the work has been done in collaboration, a certificate from the collaborators stating that the author has done the major part of the work must accompany the paper.
- The material being presented in the paper must not have appeared elsewhere in any form viz.: publication or presentation, lecture, etc.
- A soft copy of the full text of the paper must reach the office of the Secretary, USI before the last date specified for submission of paper during each annual conference. The author should inform the Secretary, USI that the paper is for USI Best Paper Prize Competition.
- The papers will have to be presented by the author during the annual conference of USI. The time for presentation will be 8 (eight) minutes.
- The papers will be adjudged independently by three /five judges appointed by the USI through the Secretary.
- The prize winning paper may be submitted for publication in the Indian Journal of Urology.
- The winner will be announced in the valedictory function and will be expected to receive the award in person during the next inaugural function of the USI conference. If the quality of the paper is not to the standard or if no papers are submitted, the prize will not be granted.

Presentation: *Memento & Certificate*

USI Best Paper Prize for Young Urologists

- This annual competition is open to any young full member of the Urological Society of India, below the age of 45, who is a practicing urologist in India. The paper must be written by one author and should be the work done in India.
- The material being presented in the paper must be original research work of the author or the author should have actively participated in the research work. The material must not have appeared elsewhere in any form viz: publication, presentation, lecture or video etc. A letter to that effect has to be submitted along with the paper.
- The paper should be sent latest by the stipulated date of abstract submission and should be marked for the prize.
- The paper will have to be presented by the author during the annual conference of USI.
- The papers will be adjudged independently by two or more judges appointed by the USI through the



Secretary. The judges will submit their assessment independently to the Secretary or his nominee. The prize winning paper may be submitted for publication in the Indian Journal of Urology.

- The winner will be announced in the general body meeting and will be expected to receive the award in person during the next inaugural function of the USI conference.
- If the quality of the papers presented are not to the standard or if no papers are submitted, the prize will not be granted

Presentation: *Certificate & Memento*

USI Best Poster Prize

- This prize competition is open to any member of the USI full or trainee.
- The posters should not have been presented elsewhere in any format and the contents should not have been published by the authors.
- The USI through the Honorary Secretary will appoint 3 judges for judging the posters in the USI meeting. The judges should mark their scores independently. The judges should submit the mark sheet to the USI Secretary or his nominee at the end of poster discussion each day. The final tabulation is done by the Secretary or his nominee and the result announced in the valedictory function.
- The Best two Posters will receive the Prizes

Presentation: *Certificate & Memento*

USI Best Video Prize

- This competition is open to any member of USI full or trainee
- Two best video presentations presented during prize session during the Annual Conference of USI will be selected for the award.
- Online link for the video uploaded should be sent during the online abstract submission.
- Only one video must be included in one abstract.
- The running time is 8 Minutes with 2 minutes for discussion.
- All videos must contain the final edited form.
- The edited form should not have the name of the author or institution as the content since the videos will be sent for peer review

Presentation: *Memento & Certificate*

USI Best Prize for Innovations in Urology

- This category is for papers presented by full members of USI for their INNOVATIONS IN UROLOGY. It could be an "INSTRUMENT" OR "A NEW CONCEPT IN UROLOGY"
- The abstract should be submitted under this category before the scheduled last date for submission notified by the Secretary, USI
- The abstracts will be peer reviewed and the accepted abstracts will be selected for presentation
- A soft copy of the full text of the innovative work addressed as "Innovation in Urology" should be sent to the Honorary Secretary, USI before the stipulated date.

Presentation: *Memento & Certificate*