

## Call for Abstracts Information and Guidelines

The Healthy Brain Aging and Dementia (HBAD) Program Committee is proud to host the Third International Symposium on *Promoting Healthy Brain Aging and Preventing Dementia: Research and Translation*. Join international experts in healthy brain aging and dementia as they share knowledge and contribute to the ongoing discussion on research and translational tools required to improve the prevention, detection, intervention and management of dementia.

You are invited to submit abstracts for presentation at the *virtual* 2021 International Dementia Symposium taking place May 18-19, 2021. The new virtual format will include opportunities to engage with speakers during discussions, networking, and abstract presentations.

Please read these guidelines carefully before accessing the abstract submission form.

### Important Dates

Abstract Submission Deadline:	<b>Tuesday, March 30, 2021 (2:59 PM MDT)</b>
Notification Date:	<b>Tuesday, April 13, 2021</b>
RSVP Date:	<b>Tuesday, April 20, 2021</b>
Deadline to Submit Presentation:	<b>Tuesday, May 4, 2021</b>

### Symposium / Abstract Themes

Abstracts should discuss and report on recent discoveries and innovations related to promoting healthy brain aging and delaying or preventing dementia, including research findings, technologies, and translational tools and services. We welcome submissions on the following topics:

- **Theme 1:** Applied Sciences and Interventions for Brain Health and Dementia
- **Theme 2:** COVID-19 Effects on the Brain: Direct, Indirect and Persisting Consequences
- **Theme 3:** Integrating Big Data, Neuroinformatics, and Precision Health Approaches
- **Theme 4:** Challenges of Animal Models and Clarifying the Science Surrounding the Amyloid Hypothesis
- **Theme 5:** Other - this includes an option for other work to be shared that is relevant to healthy brain aging and dementia but does not fit in the other theme categories

### Process

Abstracts will undergo a peer-review process. The Abstract Review Committee will assess each abstract based on its adherence to format, scientific merit, and alignment with the overall Symposium themes. Abstracts that are deemed to be unethical, incomplete, or contain insufficient data will not be accepted. All presented work should provide a positive learning experience for all attendees.

Authors of abstracts selected for presentation will be contacted via email by **April 13, 2021**. All selected abstracts will be made available to the Symposium participants.

## Abstract Format

Abstracts should follow a structured format, including sections for Introduction/Objective, Design and Methods, Results, Conclusions and Implications for Programs/Policy (where applicable). Abstracts should include relevant background, well-described methods, study results, and a clear statement about the novel findings that will be presented. Please include sufficient detail in your methods and results sections, including number of tested subjects and relevant statistics.

Abstract should be formatted to include the following:

- Title – 25 word maximum
- All authors and Affiliations
- Introduction, Methods, Results, Conclusions – 350 words maximum
- Do not include references

Please note:

- Please use standard abbreviations. Place special or unusual abbreviations in parentheses after the full word when it appears for the first time.
- Errors, misspellings and incorrect abbreviations will not be corrected.
- An individual may submit more than one abstract. One official online submission is required for each abstract.
- There is no fee to submit abstract(s).

**Abstracts must be submitted electronically using the official online submission form only found on the [event webpage](#)**

## Presentation at the Symposium

**Abstract presentation:** Due to the virtual format of the 2021 Symposium, abstract presentations will be given through short pre-recorded videos (maximum 5 minutes) instead of traditional poster presentations. Details regarding video formats and guidelines will be available with notification of abstract acceptance. Videos will be made available to Symposium attendees for viewing at least one day prior to the event and throughout the duration of the Symposium.

## Symposium Information

### Registration Details

Early Bird Registration:	\$20	(deadline: <b>March 15, 2021</b> )
Student Registration:	\$20	(deadline: <b>May 17, 2021</b> )
Regular Registration:	\$30	(deadline: <b>May 17, 2021</b> )

Please click [here](#) to register for the symposium and visit our [webpage](#) for more event information.

### **Copyright Permission**

By submitting abstracts to the Symposium, submitters authorize, upon acceptance, the permission to reproduce their abstract in the Symposium program and on the Symposium website.

### **For More Information**

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