Call for abstracts
Poster session at the SCTO Symposium 2016

The SCTO Symposium 2016 is dedicated to the future generation of clinical researchers. We invite all researchers to present their clinical research projects with a poster during the event.

The three best projects and posters will be awarded with CHF 1'500, CHF 1'000 and CHF 500.

Submission requirements

**Applicant:** Clinical researcher within a Swiss institution performing or coordinating IITs

**Project:** Clinical research project that falls under the scope of the Human Research Act

**Abstract submission to:** event@scto.ch, subject line: Poster Session SYM2016 / Name of applicant

**Deadline:** Sunday, 1 May 2016

**Abstract acceptance:** First authors can expect to receive notification via e-mail by 17 May 2016.

The first author is physically present during the event.

**General abstract guidelines**

The following must be completed during the submission process in order for your submission to be considered complete:

- Provide your full name, degree, institution, address and e-mail address
- Your project must report on original research, i.e. a summary or review of prior knowledge would not be considered as original research.
- Abstracts must be no longer than 300 words (excluding title and authorship)
- Ideally, the abstract contains the following information: (1) Background, (2) Design, (3) Results and (4) Discussion/Conclusion
- The title should be descriptive identifying the study design, population (if relevant), phase (if applicable), target disease(s)/condition/question
- Applications and posters must be written in English.

**Abstract selection and notification**

Abstracts will be reviewed by a Scientific Committee based on the following criteria:

1. Scientific value
2. Topic relevance
3. Methodological rigor / design
4. Overall quality and clarity of abstract

All accepted posters will be presented at the symposium. Ideally, they should be of A1 or A0 size. The first author is physically present during the event (and invited to attend the SCTO Symposium free of charge). The winners will be announced at the symposium.

**Scientific committee**

The scientific committee is composed of experienced clinical researchers and methodology experts and the abstracts will be anonymised prior to the evaluation. The evaluation process will be done based on the abstracts and completed before the symposium.