

Instructions For CSCC Abstracts / Submission Deadline: February 28, 2012

1. Abstracts submitted for the 2012 CSCC Conference will be evaluated for acceptance by peer review. Please be sure to follow the format instructions below carefully – failure to do so may result in rejection or delay in acceptance. Accepted abstracts will be published in *Clinical Biochemistry*.
2. Abstract data must not have been previously published in a copyrighted journal. Technical information pertaining to observations and conclusions cannot be withheld for proprietary reasons.
3. Abstracts must be received by **February 28, 2012**. Confirmation will be sent on receipt of abstract. Notification of acceptance will be returned by March 31, 2012.
4. Use a Times New Roman 10 point font or similar common font. Save word processing file as a Corel WordPerfect or Microsoft Word file.
5. Please ensure that you comply with the following format in your abstract:
 - a) Title – capital letters throughout.
 - b) Authors – on the next line from the title start with a capital letter in the following style: surname followed by comma, followed by two spaces, followed by author's initials with periods, followed by comma, followed by two spaces, and then the name of the next author in the same format. The word "and" should precede the surname of the final author. The name of the presenting author should be underlined.
 - c) Text – **must not exceed 250 words. For each table or figure deduct 50 words from the maximum. A maximum of 2 tables and/or figures will be accepted.** Leave one line space between address and the beginning of text that should follow in a single space format. The abstract must be presented in a structured format containing the following headings in Italics: Objectives: / Design: (where pertinent) / Methods: (where pertinent) / Results: / Conclusions: Objectives should be relevant to the field of laboratory medicine. Results should be expressed in SI units. All abbreviations should be defined when first used. A summary or conclusion of results must be included, either in text or table form. It is not acceptable to state that "results will be discussed". If used, references should be given in parentheses without authors or title by provided Index-Medicus-listed Journal abbreviations without punctuation followed by year, volume number and inclusive page numbers. (Example: Clin Biochem 2002;35:151-169).
6. There is a no limit on the number of abstracts registrants may submit. However, multiple abstracts must differ sufficiently to warrant separate presentations.
7. All presenting authors must register for the conference in order to qualify for presentation and abstract publication. If registration information has not been sent to you and is required please contact the address below.
8. Abstract submissions will be peer reviewed before acceptance.
9. **Poster Awards** There will be six awards given for poster presentations based on merit, evaluated by an adjudication committee of the Society.
10. **Students** currently in an (CSCC/CACB) approved Canadian training program in Clinical Chemistry and who will be presenting a poster at this meeting are eligible for one of three **Travel Trainee Awards**. This will be adjudicated by the CSCC Travel Awards Committee. If you wish to be considered for one of these awards please check off the appropriate box on this Form.
11. **Oral Presentations** The qualified trainees who submitted the best three abstracts will be invited to present an Oral Presentation. Trainees enrolled in a recognized Clinical Chemistry Postdoctoral training Program in Canada will need to identify themselves on the abstract application form in order to be considered for the best oral presentation award.
12. **Questions** regarding abstract submission can be directed to the Conference Office. Examples of abstracts in required format can be viewed in Clin Biochem 2002;35:151-169.