V PharmSci Poster Submission

The poster session at vPharmSci is intended to showcase up to date research and facilitate networking. In particular it offers an opportunity to present work as a means to extend your networks. Ensure that your poster is interesting and clear to maximise engagement with the vPharmSci audience. There is also an opportunity to add a short (<2 minutes) narration to the poster.

The posters will be available in advance of vPharmSci for the attendees to browse. There are also dedicated times for poster browsing within the conference agenda. The online platform will enable vPharmSci attendees to contact you directly about your poster and from there you can set up meetings if you want to have a further discussion.

The poster submission will occur in two phases:

- 1. Draft poster submission. In this phase the draft poster will be submitted. This will enable review by the conference organising committee together with a pool of experts to ensure that it meets the criteria for acceptance (see additional details below)
- 2. Final poster submission. In this phase the final poster will be submitted together with a short (< 2 minute) narration. Only the final poster will be visible to the attendees of vPharmSci.

There are prizes for the best posters. These prizes are sponsored by MDPI Pharmaceutics and are only available for posters where a student is listed as the presenter. See the details on the criteria for the awards.

Instruction for authors

A survey tool will be used for the poster submission. This ensures that the relevant information is captured for each poster such that the online system will display accurate information.

The link to the survey tool is here:

APS vPharmSci Draft Poster Submissions

The deadline for draft poster submissions is midnight on Monday 19th July 2021

It is recommended that you read these instructions in advance of your submission.

The Presenting Author must submit the draft poster. All communications will be sent to the individual who submits the draft poster.

The format of the draft and final poster are presented in the attached powerpoint slide. Note that the key factors are that the poster should be in landscape orientation to make reading on a screen easy; the font size should be easy to read on a standard screen (see further details within the template poster).

The submission will be made via the survey link above. The following information will be required to submit the poster

- 1. Presenting Author name
- 2. Presenting author's email (note that this email MUST be the same as the one used to register for the conference as the platform uses this information to connect the posters to the presenters and will enable interaction with others about your poster)

- 3. List of additional authors with their email addresses: this will allow co-authors to be linked to the poster
- 4. All of the author affiliations are requested as part of the submission
- 5. Poster title. The posters will be searchable via the titles; make sure that your title contains relevant key words to maximise exposure at vPharmSci
- 6. The focus group that aligns best to the poster. You will be asked to align your research to one of the APS Focus groups; the full list of focus groups can be found here:

 https://www.apsgb.co.uk/focus-groups/ If your work does not align to any of the focus groups please select the box "other" and provide 3 keywords to help us identify reviewers for your work.
- 7. Eligibility for the poster prize will be requested; note that only posters where a student is the presenting author are eligible for the prizes.
- 8. The organising committee are actively seeking oral talks on skin and digital pharmaceutics. If you posters relates to either topic and you would like to be considered for an oral talk there will be an option to declare this within your submission.

Note that the poster will be submitted as a pdf file where the maximum size is 10MB. Please name the file using your surname, for example Batchelor.pdf. If you are submitting multiple posters please use your surname and a number: Batchelor1.pdf; Batchelor2.pdf. This helps us to manage the posters and ensure that they are uploaded correctly into the virtual platform.

Formatting the draft poster:

Title: The title should succinctly and accurately describe the work undertaken. This title should match the title used in the draft poster

Authors: The main (presenting) author's name should be marked with an asterisk (*)

Affiliations: Authors and their corresponding affiliation should be indicated with numbers.

The body of the poster should include the following sections:

- Background
- Objectives
- Methods
- Results and Discussion
- Conclusions
- References

Note that due to the timelines there may be changes between the draft and final poster, however it should be noted that the change should enhance the details in results and discussion and the conclusions rather than major changes in the objectives and methods. Deletion of data from the draft to the final submission is considered to be unethical and may result in the poster being withdrawn from the event.

Review of the draft poster

The conference organising committee together with a pool of experts will review draft posters to ensure that these meet the criteria for the conference. The criteria are outlined below:

• The information must be relevant to the vPharmSci audience

- The draft poster MUST contain data that informs the conclusion
- The poster must not be commercial or sales orientated

When undertaking review particular attention will be paid to the following

- Inclusion of data
- Relevance to the vPharmSci audience
- Clarity of the overall message of the poster: The poster must clearly describe all the methods used and data generated by the research.

The decisions made by the conference organising committee will be final.

You will heave about any feedback or revisions required by the reviewers by the 31st July 2021

Instructions for final poster submission

The final poster should be uploaded by midnight **Friday 20**th **August** in the final formal as a pdf file. Note that the posters will be available in advance of the conference to enable delegates to interact with the work – there will also be networking time within the conference to discuss posters in more detail.

The final poster should be accompanied by an audio file to further explain the material presented.

The audio file is best created using https://online-voice-recorder.com. This is a free to use software and you do not need to create an account. Simply click the button to start your recording when you have finished press the stop button and you can directly save the file that you have created as an mp3 file. Note that the audio files should be <2 minutes to make file sizes manageable. Once you are happy with the recording save the updated file as an MPS file. Please name this as your poster with your surname (eg Batchelor.mp3) and upload together with the final version of your poster.

Poster prizes

There will be prizes for the best posters: these will be judged on clarity, novelty and relevance to the vPharmSci audience. The decisions made by the conference organising committee will be final. Note that only posters where a student is the presenting author are eligible for the prizes.

The poster prizes are sponsored by MDPI Pharmaceutics

The prizes will be awarded on the evening of the 7th September 2021 as part of the conference agenda.



All delegates registered at the conference will have the opportunity to vote for their favourite poster; there will be a prize for the poster that receives the most delegate votes as well as a prize for the poster(s) judged to be the best by a pool of experts nominated by the APS organising committee.

There are also options to be considered for an oral presentation. Firstly at vPharmSci; where specifically oral talks are being sought on the topics of skin and digital pharmaceutics. There is also an opportunity for oral presentations at an APS virtual event, "Crossing Biological Barriers with Nanomedicines" taking place on the 28th October 2021. If your poster is related to the use of nanomedicine(s) for the purpose of crossing biological barriers (e.g. cell membranes, mucosal barriers, blood-brain barrier, etc.) then please state whether you would like to be considered for an oral presentation at this event. The options appear in the submission process.

Any questions on the poster submission please contact info@apsgb.co.uk