



6TH INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM
on Non-Surgical Contraceptive
Methods of Pet Population Control

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Call for Abstracts Instructions

ACC&D invites submissions for oral presentations and a poster session at our 6th International Symposium. Oral presentations will be on Monday, July 23rd or Tuesday, July 24th, 2018. The poster session will be held Monday evening and posters will be on display Monday through Tuesday. Assistance with travel expenses for oral presentations may be available. Symposium information is available [HERE](#). Address questions and comments to symposium@acc-d.org.

Abstracts must be received by January 15, 2018 in order to be considered. (Update: Extension granted till January 31st). Applicants will be notified about acceptance by March 30, 2018. Please consider indicating your interest and or intention (at no obligation) to submit an abstract as soon as possible by pre-registering at this [LINK](#).

Submission Guidelines

E-mail your abstract as a Microsoft Word attachment. Email address: symposium@acc-d.org
A submission form (on page three of this document) may be signed, scanned and attached to the e-mail (preferred - electronic signatures will be accepted) or sent by mail to ACC&D Symposium, 11145 NW Old Cornelius Pass Rd., Portland, OR 97231, U.S.

Abstract Guidelines

Abstracts are sought for two symposium tracks:

The Sterilant Development Track: This track will focus on development of new contraceptive or sterilant technologies for cats and dogs. We seek abstracts that present research progress in the following areas:

- Implants releasing GnRH agonists – potential for long term release
- Viral vectors delivering genes coding for proteins with the potential to inhibit reproduction
 - Vector characteristics
 - Genes to suppress reproduction
- Immunocontraception
- siRNA to suppress reproductive targets
- New approaches and/or targets
- Safety evaluation of long term contraceptive treatments

The Field Science Track: This track will explore how we can best use existing contraceptives and sterilants as well as how to pave the way for effective implementation of future products. There is an array of topics appropriate for posters and presentations. To be considered, abstracts must describe work dealing with dogs or cats directly, or have clear relevance to dogs or cats. Below are some areas to consider:

- Case studies, consumer or clinical research using products for dogs and cats (for example, hormonal products, intratesticular injection, deslorelin implants)
- Case studies, consumer or clinical research using contraceptives developed for other species, like deer, birds and horses with applicable lessons for field use in dogs and/or cats.
- New learning about surgical sterilization that contributes to better understanding of the comparative risks or benefits of alternate choices available for population control.
- Behavior impacts of contraception or sterilization (non-surgical or surgical)
- Dynamics of cat/dog populations; including computer models for interventions

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- Marking/identification of animals with humane, non-invasive methods
- The ethics surrounding the variable risk-benefit analysis of product use in different communities, cultures, and populations
- Legal and regulatory implications for product development and use
- Roles of different stakeholders in introduction and use of new products
- Business model, marketing ideas or examples of non-surgical sterilants or contraceptives in development or on the market

Creating your abstract

The abstract should be a maximum of 400 words not including title, authors or affiliations. Text should be left justified on a single page with one inch (25.4mm) margins. Type should be 12 pt. Times New Roman. The title should be brief, clearly indicating the nature of the investigation or topic. The title should be CAPITALIZED, bold and centered using 14 pt type. Underline the name of the author presenting the abstract. State each author's name and institutional affiliation (including city, state and country). If no institution is involved, give the city, state and country. Omit degrees, titles, institution appointments, street addresses and zip code.

If you are presenting research, organize the body of the abstract as follows:

- Statement of the purpose of the study
- Brief description of methods used
- Summary of the results presented in sufficient detail to support the conclusions, including statistical analysis if relevant
- Statement of the conclusions reached

If you propose a review of a topic or program or other type of presentation please include:

- Objectives
- Overview of the topic or program
- Conclusions

Indent the first line only. Do not use subtitles (e.g. methods, results). Abbreviations should be defined by placing them in parenthesis after the full word the first time they appear. Abbreviations should be avoided in titles. If a drug is mentioned, at the first mention, the generic name should be given followed by the brand name in parenthesis. Subsequently, the generic name should be used.

Conflicts of Interest:

Authors must disclose and explain any potential conflicts of interest in a separate form (on page 4 of this document). If accepted for an oral presentation, the potential conflict/s should be given on one slide of the presentation, if a poster, a footnote should explain any conflict.

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