

SUBMITTING YOUR LATE BREAKING ABSTRACT: FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

When can I submit my late breaking abstract for presentation at the Gerontological Society of America (GSA) 2025 Annual Scientific Meeting?

The [submission site](#) for late breaking abstracts opens July 11, 2025, and closes August 21, 2025, at 11:59 PM EDT. GSA does not accept abstracts via email. It is highly recommended that you log in well before the submission deadline to ensure your GSA Account is complete and you are familiar with all abstract submission requirements.

Please refer to the [Late Breaking Abstract Submission Planning Guide](#) for full submission criteria and details.

What are the criteria for a late breaking abstract submission?

The late breaking abstract sessions are an opportunity to present your most compelling research results that were previously not available at the time of the first abstract submission deadline. You will be required to include a statement about why your abstract is late breaking (statement of timeliness).

What types of abstracts can I submit during the late breaking abstract submission period?

Late breaking poster and paper submissions are welcome. Session topics can be found in Appendix D in the [Late Breaking Abstract Submission Planning Guide](#).

Any late breaking paper abstract submission **must** relate to one of the ten themes listed here. Refer to the [Late Breaking Abstract Submission Planning Guide](#) for full descriptions of these themes:

- **Alzheimer's Disease, Including Alzheimer's Disease–Related Dementias**
- **Applying Principles to Reframe Aging in Your Work**
- **Artificial Intelligence and Emerging Technologies**
- **Climate and Aging**
- **Clinical Practice Innovations**
- **Community-Engaged Research Approaches**
- **Effective Science Communication**
- **Motivating Patients for Health Behavior Change**
- **Quality Improvement Innovations in Health Care**
- **Translational Geroscience**

Does my late breaking poster abstract have to relate to one of the ten paper themes?

No. These themes only apply to papers.

Is there a limit to the number of late breaking poster abstracts that I can submit?

The first author can be listed as first author on a maximum of two late breaking poster abstracts. Posters will not be accepted if they were previously submitted to the GSA 2025 Annual Scientific Meeting.

Is there a limit to the number of late breaking paper abstracts that I can submit?

The first author can be listed as first author on a maximum of two late breaking paper abstracts. Papers will not be accepted if they were previously submitted to the GSA 2025 Annual Scientific Meeting.

Can my late breaking paper abstract submission be accepted as a late breaking poster presentation?

Yes. During the review process, the committee will sometimes determine that a late breaking paper can be accepted as a poster. Please note that in these circumstances, the decision of the Annual Scientific Meeting Workgroup regarding the accepted presentation type is final.

What is the abstract submission fee?

The submission fee is for processing the abstract submission; it is nonrefundable (regardless of acceptance). This fee must be paid via credit card at the time of abstract submission. The fees are:

- **Professional Late Breaking Poster/Paper:** \$50
- **Student Late Breaking Poster/Paper:** \$30

May I get a refund for my abstract submission fee?

No. The abstract submission fee is a nonrefundable processing fee. Once the abstract has been submitted, it is considered processed.

I am having trouble signing in—why doesn't my password work?

Passwords are case-sensitive. To reset your password, go to [Forgot Password](#).

What are the browser requirements for the submission site?

The submission site works best using the browsers Chrome, Firefox, Safari, and Edge.

Can I be a first author/speaker on an abstract if I am not a member of GSA?

Yes. You may participate as a non-member of GSA.

What is the difference between the abstract submitter, first author, and co-authors?

- The abstract submitter is the individual who logs in to submit the abstract. This is the individual who will receive the decision notification for the late breaking abstract. **You cannot change this after the submission has been started!** Submission status notifications will be sent only to the individual who submitted the abstract, and they will be responsible for sending this information to all co-authors.
- After an abstract has been accepted and the initial decision notification has been received, the person listed as the first author of the submission will receive all further communication, including scheduling information for their accepted abstract and instructions on completing the required speaker tasks, such as submitting files for presentation. The first author is expected to present the abstract at the Annual Scientific Meeting. Should the first author not be able to attend and present, a co-author may present the abstract in their place. However, any changes to the presenter of the abstract must be communicated to the Abstract Manager at abstracts@geron.org. The first author will be responsible for disseminating communications to all co-authors.



Can I request a presentation date/time? Is it possible for my presentation to be scheduled sequentially with those of my coworkers?

Unfortunately, we are not able to honor requests for specific presentation dates, times, or groupings.

Am I automatically registered for the GSA 2025 Annual Scientific Meeting by submitting an abstract?

No. You must register for GSA's meeting separately at gsa2025.org/Registration.

When will I receive confirmation of receipt of my completed submission?

The submitter and co-authors will receive an email confirmation from abstracts@geron.org upon submission of the abstract. If you do not receive the email confirmation, be sure to check your spam and junk folders. We strongly encourage you to add the following email addresses to your safe senders list and to check with your institution's IT department for any quarantined messages from these senders:

- abstracts@geron.org
- donotreply@conferenceabstracts.com
- donotreply@CadmiumCD.com

In addition, the submitter can check the submission status. The submitter should log in to the abstract submission site and look at the submission listed under "ABSTRACTS." If the abstract has been successfully submitted, a green check mark will appear to the left of the abstract title. Any drafts you have been working on, but have yet to be submitted, will state "INCOMPLETE."

How can I get a receipt for my abstract submission?

To print a receipt for your submission, the person who submitted the abstract can log in to the abstract submission site. Under the "ABSTRACTS" heading, your completed submission will be listed with an option to "View Abstract Receipt." Click on "View Abstract Receipt" and you can print a copy of your receipt.

Can I edit my abstract after it has been submitted?

Your abstract can be edited up until 11:59 PM EDT on August 21, 2025, but **not** after the deadline. To edit your abstract, log in to the abstract submission site and then click on your submitted abstract listed under "ABSTRACTS." You **must** click the "SAVE SUBMISSION" button after making edits for it to be considered during the review process. You will not have to pay the submission fee again. **GSA will not make any edits after the submission deadline.**

Can I withdraw my late breaking abstract after the submission deadline of August 21, 2025?

Yes. To withdraw a late breaking abstract submission, email abstracts@geron.org. However, please note that the submission fee is nonrefundable, and the accepted late breaking abstract may not be removed from any meeting materials.

I am the first author of an abstract, and I am unable to attend the meeting—what should I do?

If you are unable to attend the Annual Scientific Meeting to present your abstract, please notify the Abstracts Manager at abstracts@geron.org. If there is a co-author who is able to present in your place, the Abstracts Manager will assist you with changing the presenter for your abstract. If none of the



authors are able to attend the meeting to present the abstract, the first author must withdraw the abstract in writing as soon as possible.

When can I find out if my late breaking abstract was accepted?

Abstract notifications are scheduled to be sent on October 6, 2025. The decision of the Annual Scientific Meeting Program Workgroup is final and changes to abstracts will not be accepted after the submission deadline: August 21, 2025, at 11:59 PM EDT.

Where will the abstracts be published?

All accepted abstracts will be published in a supplement issue of *Innovation in Aging*. Visit geron.org/journals or academic.oup.com/gsa for more information and to access *Innovation in Aging*.

Are there guidelines for submitting slides and/or distributing handouts related to my presentation at the Annual Scientific Meeting?

Instructions for submitting any presentation slides or handouts will be emailed to first authors closer to the time of the meeting. To make sure you receive all GSA correspondence, add abstracts@geron.org, donotreply@conferenceabstracts.com, and donotreply@CadmiumCD.com to your safe senders list of email addresses, and check with your institution's IT department for any quarantined messages.

When and where is the GSA 2025 Annual Scientific Meeting?

The meeting will be held November 12–15, 2025, in Boston, Massachusetts. You can find more information at gsa2025.org

How can I get assistance with my abstract submission?

- Refer to the Late Breaking Abstract Submission Planning Guide at gsa2025.org/Abstracts.
- For technical support, available Monday–Friday, 9:00 AM–9:00 PM EDT:
 - Email: support@cadmiumcd.com
 - Phone: 877-426-6323 (toll free) or 410-638-9239 (direct)
- For policy and procedure questions: abstracts@geron.org

Any other questions? Please email: abstracts@geron.org.