Frequently Asked Questions for Speakers

Please see Speaker Procedures at gsa2021.org/speakers
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NEW! Live Video Conference Presentation FAQs

Now that the meeting has shifted to fully online, what does that mean for my presentation?

• All speakers should continue to complete all of their assigned Speaker Tasks.
  • On Demand Upload/audio recording of presentations will be available for registrant access through December 31, 2021.
  • Thank you for your patience as we move forward in finalizing the many aspects of the new online-only Annual Scientific Meeting. Please note that with the transition some presentation times have slightly changed. In addition, your presentation times have been changed from Mountain Time to Eastern Time. Further information about the GSA 2021 ASM schedule can be viewed at www.gsa2021.org/Program/Daily-Schedule.
  • 90-minute paper/symposia sessions
• In-person presentations are converted to Live Video Presentations:
  • Each in-person session room becomes a video conference room.
  • Speakers present via live video as they would in-person in Phoenix (not recorded).
  • Symposia Chairs/Paper Session Chairs continue to be responsible for timing of presentations: length, start time, and end time.
  • Discussants/Paper Session Chairs: Facilitate discussion among speakers and audience participants in video conference room.
• Posters do not have live presentations:
  • On Demand access; poster gallery; live online on digital discussion board during scheduled poster session.

Additional speaker details and instructions for live video conference presentations are forthcoming.

I have questions about registration, who do I contact?
Please visit gsa2021.org/Registration or contact membership@geron.org for specific questions.

I am a Discussant, do I need to follow these Speaker Procedures?
Symposium discussants who facilitate the live discussion between the speakers and the audience must also log in and complete specific Speaker Profile tasks. Please see the Speaker Procedures at gsa2021.org/speakers for more information about Speaker Profile tasks.

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Where can I see the Schedule-at-a-Glance?
The daily program schedule can be viewed at GSA2021.org.

What is the difference between uploading my presentation to the Cadmium Harvester system and the live video presentation?
• Cadmium Harvester Site is for speakers to upload their presentations for on-demand access to meeting registrants. Speakers will upload and prerecord their abstract presentations (slides and audio) within the CadmiumCD platform. These on-demand presentations will be available to all registrants in the GSA 2021 Program Portal from the date of the scheduled live presentation through December 31, 2021.
• The live presentations for papers and symposia are scheduled presentation times where speakers and attendees meet in a video conference room to hear live presentations from speakers. The session held on video conference will include a live question and answer period, moderated by the paper session chair/symposium discussants.

Why do I have to submit my presentation in advance of the meeting?
• For the On-demand Access: This year, all speakers will upload and prerecord their abstract presentations (slides and audio) for on-demand asynchronous access by registrants.
• Accreditation Purposes: CME Outfitters is required by the accrediting agencies to review all in-person paper and symposium presentations in advance of the meeting. For additional information about continuing education credits, visit gsa2021.org/Registration/Continuing-Education-Credits.

What is the timeline to submit my presentation?
• Cadmium Harvester Site upload presentation task (for on-demand access): The speaker presentations must be submitted by October 25, 2021 at 11:59 PM EDT. Draft presentations are accepted, and you may upload the final version of your presentation prior to the start of the meeting.

What is my login to the speaker system?
Your login credentials to access your assigned speaker tasks in the Cadmium Harvester Sites are your personalized Access Key. Each chair/co-chair, discussant, and first authors received an email on August 20, 2021 that contained Access Key details. If you did not receive this email, check your spam folder or your institution’s IT department for any quarantined messages and confirm you are listed as a speaker role on the submission. If you need your unique login provided again, please contact abstracts@geron.org.

To ensure that all communications are received, we strongly encourage you to add the following email addresses to your safe senders list and check with your institution’s IT department for any quarantined messages from these senders:
• abstracts@geron.org
• donotreply@conferenceabstracts.com
• donotreply@CadmiumCD.com

I have several presentations scheduled for the program. Will they all appear in one place in my speaker system? Or are there unique Access Keys for each presentation?
Speakers will use their unique Access Key as their login credentials to view all their presentations. Poster Access Keys are different than paper/symposia Access Keys and they were sent in two different emails on August 20, 2021.

How long is the turnaround for any edits that need to be made to my presentation for accreditation? How will I be notified?
Presentations will be reviewed within three business days of submission. We highly encourage draft presentations to be submitted as early as possible. As we approach the meeting, the review time may increase due to the volume of presentations. You will be notified via email if your presentation has changes to be made. If changes are requested, you should make those changes and upload your final presentation.

Can my presentation be denied during CE/CME accreditation review? It has already been submitted and accepted through the abstract process.
Based on the GSA review and selection process, your presentation will not be denied at this stage of review. CME Outfitters may request edits to the content within your presentation to bring it into compliance with the accreditation guidelines. If you follow the guidelines in this Speaker Procedures document, your presentation should receive final approval.

On-Demand and Live Speaker FAQs

How does the on-demand and live presentations work?
GSA is providing two mechanisms for speakers to share their scholarship with registrants – Live video presentations during the scheduled meeting time, and pre-recorded audio/slide presentations uploaded in advance to the on-demand asynchronous viewing platform. The live presentations will only be available to all individuals that join the video conference on the scheduled date and time. The pre-recorded presentations uploaded in advance to the on-demand viewing platform will be available for viewing by all meeting registrants through December 31, 2021.

Speakers have been scheduled to present live and they will upload their slides and complete an audio recording (no video) of the presentation within the CadmiumCD online platform where presentations will be available on-demand on the GSA 2021 Meeting Program Portal through the end of the year. Individuals viewing the on-demand content will be able to communicate asynchronously with speakers who have uploaded audio/slide presentations to the on-demand platform.

What if I would like my co-author to present in my place?
Co-authors are welcome to present on behalf of the designated speaker (first author). Email abstracts@geron.org to make this adjustment in the system. The co-author’s role will be changed to first author in the system providing access to assigned speaker tasks. These tasks include uploading the PowerPoint file and completing the audio recording. The co-author’s new role as first author will be reflected in meeting materials. We ask that you also indicate the new role of the original first author.
On-Demand Speaker FAQs

On-demand: What if I need to make changes to my on-demand presentation after it has been submitted within Cadmium Conference Harvester sites?
You may revise your presentation as desired up until the October 25, 2021 deadline. PLEASE NOTE: when you update a new slide deck/poster PDF, it will automatically REPLACE your previous PowerPoint/poster PDF version and your audio recording will automatically be removed/erased within Cadmium. You will need to record your audio presentation again in CadmiumCD. Please be mindful of uploading and processing time in the system when replacing your presentation files. There is not an option to revert or modify your original version without re-recording your presentation in the CadmiumCD platform.

On-demand: What Files Types Can I Upload for On-demand Access Within the Cadmium Conference Harvester sites?
The system can accept symposium and paper presentation files in the following formats: .ppt, .pptx, .pps, .ppsx, .key, .pdf. Poster files must be in .pdf format.