



Sri Lankan Association of Geriatric Medicine 9th Scientific Session | June 2023

Instructions to Authors of Free Papers

The Sri Lankan Association of Geriatric Medicine invites applications for free papers to be presented during the 9th Scientific Session to be held at the Waters Edge, Colombo on the 16th and 17th June 2023.

Preparing the Abstract

- The abstract should be structured as following:
Structure: **Title, Objectives, Method, Results, Conclusions**
- The title of the abstract – should be brief but adequately descriptive. Lower case letters should be used except at the beginning of the title and unless indicated.
- Author's surname should be given only as surnames followed by the initial(s). Prefixes such as Mr, Dr or Professor should not be mentioned. The names of all authors and the places of work (one place of affiliation per person only) should be given.
- **The text of the abstract** (excluding the title, author names and affiliations) – **should not exceed 250 words.**
- **Use font type – Times New Roman size 12.**
- The language of the submission should be set to **English (UK).**
- The author/s should take full public responsibility for the research work and the contents reported in the abstract.
- If the work has been previously presented or published, in whole or in part, this should be stated clearly in the attached form. This does not disqualify a paper but must be stated when submitting the paper.

Abstract Submission

- The abstract should be submitted as an editable Word document.
- **Ethical approval** –A copy of ethical approval should be submitted where relevant.
- **Submit the abstract via email to slagm2014@gmail.com**
Please note that **there is no facility to submit hard copies** directly to the SLAGM office.
- Abstract **submission deadline**: All abstracts should reach the Honorary Secretary, Sri Lankan Association of Geriatric Medicine before **12midnight on the 31st of March 2023**. Late entries will not be accepted.

Informing the authors

- Abstracts not conforming to the above instructions will be rejected.
- The corresponding author of each successful paper provisionally selected will be informed by email during the month of May 2023. Please note that no amendments to the submitted abstract (including the authors) would be entertained thereafter.

Registering for the 9th Scientific Sessions of SLAGM

- The **presenting author** of the selected papers **must obtain prior registration** for the **9th Scientific Sessions of SLAGM** for the final acceptance of the paper.

Abstract book

- Accepted abstracts will be published in the Conference Book (Proceedings of the Scientific Sessions).
- The SLAGM reserves the right to make alterations and to edit the title and / or the text to improve the quality.

Inability to present an accepted paper

- Inability to present a paper accepted for presentation should be communicated by email to Honorary Secretary/SLAGM (Email: slagm2014@gmail.com).
- Failure to present an accepted paper at the SLAGM sessions will be considered an episode of academic and scientific misconduct and make the authors liable for punitive action.

Queries

Please contact the Secretary, SLAGM by email (slagm2014@gmail.com) for further details/clarifications if required.