

“One Cancer”  
1<sup>st</sup> Veterinary Society of Surgical Oncology (VSSO) Scientific  
Meeting  
**Call for Abstracts**



Dear Colleagues,

On behalf of the Veterinary Surgical Oncology Society (VSSO), we are delighted to announce that the 1<sup>st</sup> VSSO Scientific Meeting will take place on Thursday, **May 24, 2012** and Friday **May 25, 2012** at the Hilton Hotel in Fort Collins, CO, USA.

The theme of the meeting is ‘**One Cancer**’ and will emphasize the translational nature of clinical research in oncology. The meeting has 4 main session themes:

**Osteosarcoma**

**Cancer Management**

**Gamma vs. Surgery**

**Targeted Cancer Therapy**

Each session will have a keynote speaker that has made a significant contribution to the field. State of the art lectures and shorter podium abstract presentations will also be presented for each session theme.

This event is timed to coincide with retirement celebrations for Dr. Stephen Withrow to be held at the Colorado State University main campus on Saturday, May 26, 2012, so be sure to attend both events.

**ABSTRACT SUBMISSION NOW OPEN!**

Abstract submission is open to everyone involved in clinical or basic cancer research in veterinary or human oncology. Abstracts will be considered for either short podium presentations or poster presentation. Podium presentation abstracts will ideally be related to the session theme. Please indicate if you prefer to be considered for only a podium or only a poster presentation on the abstract submission form.

ABSTRACTS MUST BE SUBMITTED ACCORDING TO THE FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Abstracts should be prepared using **MS Word** using the following page and font parameters:  
**1” margins** (top, bottom, left and right), **Time New Roman 12 pt. font.**
2. The abstract should include the following sections:
  - I. Page One
    - a. Title
    - b. Authors – underline presenting author name
    - c. Author Affiliations
    - d. Contact email address for corresponding / presenting author
    - e. Preferred abstract format –Poster, Podium, Either
  - II. Page Two (for blinded review)
    - a. Title
    - b. Introduction
    - c. Materials and methods
    - d. Results
    - e. Conclusions
    - f. References – only if required (maximum 3 references)

The body of the abstract must be no longer than **300 words** (does not include the title, all authors, affiliations and references, if any).

Abstracts can include one figure or table.

Maximum abstract is length 1 page

Any abstract with “data to be presented” or some iteration of this will be refused unless circumstances have been discussed with the scientific abstract committee.

Each author is fully responsible for the content of the abstract.

All abstracts will be submitted by email to both of the VSSO Scientific Meeting Program coordinators, Stewart Ryan and Sarah Boston at [stewart.ryan@colostate.edu](mailto:stewart.ryan@colostate.edu) and [sboston@uoguelph.ca](mailto:sboston@uoguelph.ca).

Abstract submissions will be reviewed by the VSSO Scientific Meeting Program committee and successful applicants will be notified by email.

The deadline for abstract submission is midnight (EST), **January 16, 2012.**

The corresponding presenting author for all abstract submissions will be informed by e-mail of whether the abstract has been accepted for presentation at the meeting and whether the abstract will be a podium oral or poster presentation on or before **February 10, 2012.**

## **REGISTER NOW**

Please visit the VSSO Scientific meeting website where you can register and book accommodation at: <http://www.cymbbs.colostate.edu/clinsci/ce/products/41-vssso-scientific-meeting-2012.aspx>.

Thank you for your interest in attending and contributing this meeting. We look forward to seeing you at the VSSO Scientific meeting.

The VSSO Scientific Program Committee