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8TH ANNUAL SYMPOSIUM ON GLOBAL CANCER RESEARCH @ THE 2020 CONSORTIUM OF UNIVERSITIES FOR GLOBAL HEALTH ANNUAL CONFERENCE Theme: **Creative approaches to global cancer research and control**

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

Notifications will be sent January 2020

To submit an abstract proposal, [click here](#)

For event information, please visit the [Symposium website](#)

For all questions regarding abstracts, please contact Farrah Denis: Farrah.Denis@nih.gov

The 8th Annual Symposium on Global Cancer Research will be held on April 17, 2020, prior to the 11th Annual Consortium of Universities for Global Health (CUGH) Global Health Conference (April 18-20, 2020). The Symposium is organized through a collaboration with the National Cancer Institute Center for Global Health, CUGH, the Georgetown Lombardi Comprehensive Cancer Center, the Sidney Kimmel Comprehensive Cancer Center at Johns Hopkins University, the University of Maryland Marlene and Stewart Greenebaum Comprehensive Cancer Center, the American Society of Clinical Oncology, and the American Association for Cancer Research. The objectives of this full-day Symposium are to: (1) provide a venue for the global oncology research community to exchange information to identify potential areas for collaboration; (2) engage in interactive discussion about the findings and potential implications of the [2018-2019 Global Oncology Survey of NCI-Designated Cancer Centers](#) for the global oncology community; (3) develop a set of strategic priorities for advancing the field of global oncology in both low and high resource settings - with a focus on topics such as research priorities to address the full spectrum of cancer disparities, training needs, mentorship and capacity building, institutional leadership, and access to resources (infrastructure, human, financial); and (4) share initiatives that are reducing the burden of cancer in low resource settings.

Abstracts: Presentations on research and programs that address the global burden of cancer are at the heart of the Symposium. We encourage abstracts that support the Symposium theme: Creative approaches to global cancer research and control. The organizers invite all persons wishing to report original research, projects, or programs related to global cancer research and control to submit abstracts. Submissions that offer unique insights into global cancer control strategies are encouraged.

Evaluation Criteria: Abstracts will be reviewed based on the following criteria:

- Public health significance: addresses relevant public health question
- Methodology: methods chosen are appropriate for research, project, or program
- Overall impact: enhances understanding of global cancer burden/aims to improve global cancer control
- Clarity of ideas

Abstracts must include the following sections with the headlines:

- Purpose
- Methods
- Results
- Conclusion

Guidelines:

- All abstracts must be submitted in English.
- Only one abstract per person as presenting author may be submitted. (Note: There is a maximum of three abstracts total per author).
- Abstract maximum word count is 300.
- Abstract titles must be 250 characters or less and should *not* be submitted in all caps.
- Abstracts should not contain figures or tables.
- **Abstracts must be submitted [online](#) at by November 22nd, 2019 at 11:59pm EST.**

Only abstracts that comply with all the above guidelines will be considered for presentation and publication. Authors will receive decisions via email mid-January 2020. Accepted abstracts will be selected for posters or presentations and will be published in the Journal of Global Oncology (JGO).

Travel Awards: With support from Johns Hopkins Sidney Kimmel Comprehensive Cancer Center, travel awards will be competitively awarded to authors of outstanding abstracts from low- and middle-income countries (as defined by the World Bank for 2018), who have submitted a statement of need for financial support. Travel awards can be used for airfare, lodging and a per diem for meals and incidentals for up to two nights. Travel award decisions will be made by the Scientific Steering Committee and will be based on reviewer rankings of the abstracts and alignment with the Symposium objectives. Participants who accept a travel award will be required to attend and present their work at the Symposium. Please click [here](#) to apply for a travel award. You will be required to provide up to 200 words on why you should be considered for an abstract travel award. Applications for travel awards must be received along with an online abstract submission by the closing date, November 22nd, 2019.

Important Dates:

November 22, 2019, 11:59PM U.S. Eastern Standard Time – Online abstract submission and travel award deadline.

January 2020– Notification of abstract acceptance/rejection and travel awards.

January 30, 2020 - Deadline to confirm abstract presentation and/or a travel award.

February 14, 2020 – Deadline for submission of accepted abstracts to Journal of Global Oncology (JGO) (note: submission to JGO is the authors' responsibility and instructions will be provided at the time acceptance notifications are sent).