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Julie Jacobson @DrJulieJ

Nov 18, 2020 These are challenging times, we all must work together to ensure no one is left behind. Thank you all for your trust as I step into the role of @ASTMH President.

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Daniel Bausch @DanielBausch2

Oct 24, 2020 Vaccines work and have made a huge difference in our world. Promote and defend them, speaking truthfully and transparently.

ASTMH @ASTMH Jun 4, 2020

ASTMH condemns racism. The role of structural racism as a determinant of health informs our views. Read our statement here: https://astmh.org/blog/june-2020/astmh-condemns-racism

2021 Annual Meeting

GAYLORD NATIONAL RESORT AND CONVENTION CENTER NATIONAL HARBOR, MARYLAND, USA







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ASTMH requests proposals for symposia to be presented at the Society's 70th Annual Meeting. The symposium format is intended to allow a broad and synthesized review of a given topic, with ample time for discussion. The ASTMH Scientific Program Committee evaluates all proposals and selects those for presentation according to defined selection criteria. Due to the large number of proposals, the selection process is competitive.

The ASTMH 70th Annual Meeting will be held on November 17-21, 2021 at the Gaylord National Resort and Convention Center in National Harbor, Maryland, adjacent to Washington, DC.



2020 President Joel G. Breman

Heather Ferguson @drheatherferg Inspiring words by Dr Fauci to kick off #TropMed20. 'Our responsibility to protect scientific integrity has never been more important. Can't loose sight of our mission as scientists to tell the truth and let data be the guide. Clear and concise communication is crucial' @ASTMH



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Overview of Symposium Format and Submission

(Detailed Guidelines on page 7) Organizer and Co-Chairs

- Priority will be given to proposals with a speaker panel that reflects the Society's diverse membership. Organizers should consider diversity with respect to gender, institutional background and country of origin when developing symposium proposals.
 - All symposia must include at least one speaker of each gender unless specific exception is granted by the ASTMH Scientific Program Chair. Proposals that do not meet this criterion will not be reviewed.
 - The Society highly encourages inclusion of speakers from low- and middle-income countries (LMICs). Proposals that do not include speakers from these countries must provide a rationale.
 - Symposia focusing on a single program or institution are discouraged, as are routine updates from groups of investigators who commonly present, regardless of expertise.
- Each symposium requires a primary organizer/chair who serves as the single point of contact for the submission process. While not required, the organizer may appoint a Co-Chair.
- Either the Symposium Organizer or the Co-Chair must be an ASTMH member at the time of submission. Click here to become a member. Please note that the ASTMH membership year is July 1 through June 30.
 - In order to encourage wider participation in the Annual Meeting and the Society, the following groups are exempt from the membership requirement for 2021: nurses, nurse practitioners, physician assistants, veterinary professionals and biomedical engineers.
- No ASTMH funding is available for speaker expenses.
 - Symposium Organizers and Co-Chairs pay the registration fee.
 - Speakers who are ASTMH members pay the registration fee.
 - To encourage wider participation in the Society, symposium speakers who are not ASTMH members receive complimentary Annual Meeting registration.
- As an ACCME-accredited provider of continuing medical education (CME), a representative of a commercial interest cannot have an organizational role in a symposium program as Symposium Organizer or Co-Chair.

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ASTMH Inclusion/Respect Statement

The ASTMH is an international society committed to equity and global impact through the treatment and prevention of tropical infectious diseases. Our diverse membership comes from more than 115 countries and engages with an enormous array of infectious diseases, cultures, ethnicities, and countries. We come from academia, research institutes, implementation programs, industry, multilateral organizations, foundations, and governments, gathering annually to exchange data, share learning, and honor contributions from the field and the lab.

As a Society, we are committed to the open exchange of ideas, freedom of thought and expression, and productive scientific debate that are central to our mission. These require an open and diverse environment that is built on dignity and mutual respect for all members, participants, and staff, free of discrimination based on personal attributes including but not limited to ethnicity, color, national origin, age, religion, socioeconomic status, disability, sexual orientation, gender, and gender identity or expression. We affirm the key principles of inclusion, diversity, and respect for all people. In a world of rich diversity, the advancement of science depends on the intellectual breadth and depth of a diverse ASTMH, one that informs and enriches the shape and content of scientific discourse. These principles guide the actions of ASTMH's leaders, members, and staff in advancing the goals of the Society.

Symposium Format

Each symposium is 105 minutes.

Annual Meeting

- The Program Committee highly recommends a four-talk format, with each speaker presenting for approximately 20 minutes followed by a brief period for questions.
- Alternative formats, such as a moderated debate or point-counterpoint style for controversial or debatable topics, may be proposed. Note that simply adding an additional speaker is generally not considered an acceptable alternative format unless a strong justification can be made.
- Regardless of format, ample time for questions and discussion must be included. Attendee evaluations of symposia consistently reflect this request.

Symposium Speakers

- Attendees are limited to a maximum of two symposia in which they serve as a Symposium Organizer, Co-Chair or speaker.
- Co-Chairs may also serve as speakers.
- Do not indicate a speaker name or presentation title as "To be determined." The Program Committee evaluates symposia based on both the quality of the content and proposed speakers.
- Precise times for all presentations must be specified since attendees depend on reliable start times for each speaker, as noted in the Program Book.

Guidance for Online Submission

- It is imperative that you provide the correct, preferred email address for all symposium participants. ASTMH staff will not follow up with individual symposium participants if emails are returned as undeliverable.
- If your proposal features an alternative format, please provide a justification and any additional speaker names in the Creative Format field on the submission site.
- Do not insert speaker names and presentation titles in the session description field. The session description should provide an overview/summary of the topic to be presented in the symposium.
- Do not insert a period at the end of a presentation title.
- Use upper and lower case letters; do not use all capital letters except for acronyms.

ASTMH Values and Promotes Diversity

Priority will be given to proposals with a speaker panel that reflects the Society's diverse membership.

Organizers should consider diversity with respect to gender, institutional background and country of origin when developing symposium proposals. All symposia must include at least one speaker of each gender unless specific exception is granted by the ASTMH Scientific Program Chair. Proposals that do not meet this criterion will not be reviewed.

The Society highly encourages inclusion of speakers from LMICs. Proposals that do not include speakers from a low- and middleincome country must provide a rationale. Symposia focusing on a single program or institution are discouraged, as are routine updates from groups of investigators who commonly present, regardless of expertise.

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Symposium Selection

The date and time of accepted symposia will be available in mid-September 2021.

Annual Meeting

- Please note that ASTMH cannot guarantee scheduling of a symposium on a specific date or time. Symposium speakers should maintain schedule availability throughout the timeframe of November 17-21, 2021.
- After a proposal is accepted, no substantial change can be made to the format, topics or total number of speakers without approval from the Program Committee.

Dissemination of Symposium Content

- ASTMH records the audio from symposia to produce digital on-demand webcast (MP4) recordings for educational purposes.
- ASTMH may contact selected Symposium Organizers and speakers in regards to interacting with the news media on topics of particular media interest.
- Presentation of data at scientific meetings, including the ASTMH Annual Meeting, generally does not preclude subsequent publication in scientific journals.

Multidisciplinary and Less Traditional Topics

Selecting the correct category is extremely important to ensure your symposium proposal is reviewed by the appropriate Scientific Program Committee. However, recognizing the diverse professional endeavors of ASTMH members and Annual Meeting attendees, the Society strongly encourages submissions on topics in tropical medicine and global health even if they do not fit neatly into the submission categories. For multidisciplinary or less traditional topics, follow these guidelines to select the most appropriate category:

Global Health: This broad category focuses on global public health topics related to globalization, health disparities and global health partnerships. Use this category for proposals related to global health education, measuring and modeling health outcomes, global workforce development and capacity strengthening, policy and advocacy to promote global health research and infrastructure development, improving health metrics for LMICs, promoting north/ south health and research partnerships, innovations in care delivery for low-resource settings, and health and human rights.

Integrated Control Measures for Neglected Tropical Diseases: Use this category for topics involving control efforts for multiple NTDs. For proposals on diseases classified as NTDs that lack a focus on integrated control, use the appropriate organism category: e.g., Chagas disease belongs with Kinetoplastida and Onchocerciasis with Filariasis.

Nursing: For proposals focused on clinical aspects of nursing care, use the Clinical Tropical Medicine category. If a proposal deals more with public health aspects and/or operations in nursing care delivery, use the Global Health category.

One Health: Use this category for proposals dealing with zoonotic disease transmission in humans, animal/human ecology and veterinary aspects of human diseases.

Water, Sanitation, Hygiene and Environmental Health (WaSH-E): Use this category for proposals dealing with health effects of water pollution and environmental toxins in addition to traditional WaSH-E topics. A proposal dealing with health effects of air pollution, for example, could be submitted here or alternatively to the Pneumonia, Respiratory Infections and Tuberculosis category, depending on the content.



Submission Categories

The Scientific Program Committee welcomes symposium proposals on a wide range of topics:

- Clinical Tropical Medicine
- Diarrhea and Bacterial Illness
- Ectoparasite-Borne Diseases
- Entomology
- Filariasis
- Global Health
- HIV and Tropical Co-Infections
- Integrated Control Measures for Neglected Tropical Diseases (NTDs)
- Intestinal and Tissue Helminths, Cestodes
- Kinetoplastida
- Malaria
- Molecular Parasitology
- One Health: The Interface of Human Health and Animal Diseases
- Opportunistic and Anaerobic Protozoa
- Pneumonia, Respiratory Infections and Tuberculosis
- Schistosomiasis-Helminths
- Virology
- Water, Sanitation, Hygiene and Environmental Health (WaSH-E)
- Other

Suggested Topics For 2021

The topics below are intended to promote diversity in the program and highlight new topics of interest for the 2021 Annual Meeting. Symposium proposals should be submitted to the category that best fits depending upon the specific content. Symposia that cut across individual pathogens are of particular interest.

- Clinical Tropical Medicine: Comorbidities (e.g., multimorbidity, especially involving malaria, HIV, COVID-19, tuberculosis, helminths, protists, anemia, diabetes); Cancer, heart disease, malnutrition and other non-communicable diseases in LMICs, and interaction with communicable diseases; Trauma, emergency, surgical, nursing, and intensive care medicine in LMICs; Maternal and neonatal health; Novel therapeutics, including immunotherapeutics; Human challenge infection models; Clinical toxicology in LMICs; Integrated Community Case Management (iCCM); Dental conditions and oral tropical diseases; Precision tropical medicine
- 2. Diarrhea and Bacterial Illness: Diarrheal burden in adults; Control of cholera and noroviruses, including through novel vaccines, neglected and emerging bacterial diseases (e.g. Hansen's disease, Buruli ulcer)
- 3. Entomology and Ectoparasite-Borne Diseases: Tick-borne diseases, including geographical distribution, disease burden, epizootiology, ecology and One Health approaches to control; Novel vector control strategies, including *Wolbachia*-based strategies and other biocontrol; Measurement of vector anthropophily; Socioeconomic determinants of risk of mosquito-borne infection (e.g., air conditioning and window screens); *Aedes* surveillance, control, and insecticide resistance with a focus on LMICs; Non-pyrethroid-based vector control strategies; insecticide resistance surveillance and management; GIS-based surveillance of vectors, infection, disease and insecticide resistance, including remote sensing and transmission modeling
- 4. Global Health: Planetary health (climate change and tropical medicine, migration, urbanization); Human rights, social justice, equity and ethical issues pertinent to tropical and travel medicine with particular interest in impact of COVID-19 in different global settings; Vaccine acceptance and resurgence of vaccine preventable diseases in the tropics; Updates and challenges in achieving Sustainable Development Goals; Refugee health and immigration policy; Health economics and health program payment models; Translation of research to policy; Information/communication/ technology solutions in global health, including statistical/mathematical modeling; Global Health-oriented Science Diplomacy; Implementation science; Democratization and decolonization of Global Health
- 5. HIV and Tropical Co-Infections: HIV co-infection and pathogenesis with other tropical diseases, including SARS CoV2; Pre- and post-travel assessment of persons with HIV/AIDS, including vaccines; Impact of HIV prevention therapies in global settings and on NTD incidence
- 6. Intestinal and Tissue Helminths: Applied helminth genomics, including for development of diagnostics and intervention strategies; Foodborne helminthiasis; TH1 viral/SARS CoV2 immune responses and impact on helminth infection and disease and vice versa
- 7. Integrated Control Measures for Neglected Tropical Diseases: Preventive chemotherapy and antimicrobial resistance; Strategies to increase adherence to mass drug administration and other interventions, especially in hard-to-reach communities
- 8. Protozoal diseases (non-malaria): Pathogenesis, diagnostics, drug discovery and novel vaccines and protective immunity; Therapeutic targets including immunotherapy; Drug resistance; New strategies to optimize disease control through vector or reservoir targeted measures; transmission modeling
- 9. Malaria: Parasite genetic diversity driven by mass drug administration; Expanding drug-based interventions; Transformation of surveillance into core interventions; Vector surveillance and risk of reintroduction after elimination; Challenge studies in endemic settings; Elimination progress in high-burden countries; Next-generation sequencing technology to inform control and elimination strategies; Expanding access to diagnosis and treatment opportunities through integrated Community Case Management (iCCM)

- 10. One Health: The Interface of Human, Environmental Health and Animal Health: Emerging zoonotic diseases at the wildlife-human or domestic animal-human interface (*Bacillus anthracis; Brucella* spp., Yersinia pestis); Ecology of rodent-borne viruses (e.g., Lassa, hantaviruses) and bat-borne viruses (e.g., Ebola, Marburg, coronaviruses including SARS-CoV2); Ecology of vector-borne and/or zoonotic diseases that bridge host species, evaluation and prediction of "spillover" events of animal viruses, LMIC community approaches to study of zoonotic transmission and antimicrobial resistance of microbes
- **11. Pneumonia, Respiratory Infections and Tuberculosis:** Influenza in the developing world; New respiratory viral threats (e.g., SARS CoV2, also MERS CoV, novel influenza viruses) and their impact(s) on other respiratory diseases; Influence of household and/or industrial air pollution; Respiratory diseases of childhood; Novel TB diagnostics, therapeutic regimens, long-term complications of respiratory infections (SARS CoV2, TB, others); Multi-drug resistant tuberculosis
- 12. Virology: Arbovirus evolution and emergence; Development, efficacy, and safety of vaccines for emerging viruses, including for dengue, chikungunya, Zika, Ebola, Lassa, Nipah and SARS CoV2 and other coronaviruses; Poxviruses, including smallpox and monkeypox vaccines; Viral hepatitis, including global burden and prospects for control and elimination; Acute flaccid paralysis/myelitis and enteroviruses (both polio and nonpolio); Yellow fever; Patterns of viral genetic diversity within versus between hosts; Global transmission patterns of divergent viral strains of SARS CoV2; Vaccine escape variants
- 13. Water, Sanitation, Hygiene and Environmental Health (WaSH-E): Mitigating indoor and outdoor air pollution; WaSH-E in the Sustainable Development Goal era, including addressing gaps and equity issues; WaSH-E in healthcare facilities; WaSH-E effects on maternal and neonatal health; Multi-sectoral integration (e.g. WaSH-E + nutrition, WASH-E and NTDs, WASH-E and vaccination); Planetary Health and WASH-related diseases; Environmental surveillance for waterborne transmission of pathogens and antibiotic resistant microbes; Environmental toxicology
- 14. Biomedical Engineering and Information Technology point of care Advances to Confront Disease in LMICs: Genetic and genomic methods applicable in field settings; Novel diagnostic approaches, including multiplex, real-time, rapid tests; Novel data collection/analysis and big data platforms in tropical medicine, including integrated analytics to create meaningful visualizations of routine health data and use of routine data to drive decision making across health systems; Artificial intelligence and machine learning; Telemedicine in LMICs/for travelers' health
- **15.** All Hazard Planning, Mitigation and Response in LMIC: Global Health security and emerging infection preparedness and response(s) with 2021 focus on COVID-19; Assessment of infectious disease burden in conflict, refugee and natural or other man-made disaster settings; New approaches and tools to optimize responses, especially in conflict zones; Modeling and prediction of potential hotspots, including techniques such as weather mapping, and integrated human and animal surveillance; Successes and challenges in disease eradication; Sampling strategies, in particular depth versus breadth; Challenges in timely data sharing
- 16. Basic Science Advances in Tropical Medicine: Single cell biology; Protective Immunity and control through vaccination or immunotherapy; Metabolic regulation; Novel vaccine platforms; Model systems for study of human tropical infectious disease (including humanized mice, organs on a chip, "dirty" mice); Gene editing and CRISPR-Cas9; Microbiomes; Novel molecular methods to predict drug efficacy

SPONSORED SYMPOSIA FOR COMMERCIAL INTERESTS

If you are interested in proposing a symposium that is organized or co-organized by a commercial interest, please consider organizing a Sponsored Symposium. The Sponsored Symposium Proposal Form will be available in late February at astmh.org. The ACCME defines a commercial interest as any entity producing, marketing, reselling or distributing healthcare goods or services consumed by or used on patients. Contact Rebecca Hamel, Manager, Development at rhamel@astmh.org.

Sponsored Symposia held in 2020:

 Observational Study to Evaluate the Value Added for High Sensitive RDT (HS-RDTs) and Ease of Use for Smartphone Reporting in Uganda

Sponsored by Abbott

Food for Thought: 'Food Evolution'- Narrated by Neil DeGrasse Tyson, Featuring Bill Nye, Mark Lynas & Michael Pollan

Sponsored by Bayer

Re-starting Malaria R&D in the Face of COVID-19

> Sponsored by The RBM Partnership to End Malaria, the European Developing Countries Clinical Trials Partnership and Medicines for Malaria Ventures

Selection Criteria

Quality of Symposium Submission

Proposals should include original data and/or concepts that promote broad debate and synthesis presented by experts in the field. They should have a cohesive theme, clear objectives and a detailed description of content. All talks should have a descriptive title. Priority will be given to proposals in which presentations and speakers are identified and described in sufficient detail. Provide a brief background and areas of expertise for all speakers.

Speaker and Content Diversity

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Timeliness of Topic

Priority will be given to proposals that focus on emerging concepts and timely topics. If your topic was presented at a recent Annual Meeting, focus on novel aspects to avoid redundancy and indicate why you believe your proposal provides important follow-up.

Important Dates

February 3, 2021: Online submission site opens

February 24, 2021: Submission deadline

February 25, 2021: \$75 non-refundable fee due

Early June 2021: Acceptance notifications sent

Late June 2021: Finalized information for accepted symposia due

Mid-September 2021: Symposium schedule sent to Symposium Organizers

Questions? Contact Judy DeAcetis at j.deacetis@astmh.org

FEE

All symposium proposal submitters pay a \$75 nonrefundable processing fee, due by February 25, 2021. Approximately 24 hours after the symposium proposal is submitted, an invoice will be sent to the email address provided by the Symposium Organizer for the fee of \$75 United States dollars. Please check your spam/junk folder if the invoice does not appear in your email Inbox within 24 hours after submission.

Núria Balanza @nuria_balanza

The Opening Plenary Session of @ASTMH has just finished. Excited to cover the next sessions as a @MESAmalaria correspondent! #TropMed20

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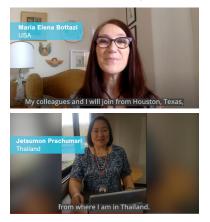
Soumya Swaminathan, 2020 Vincenzo Marcolongo Memorial Lecture

Dr. Anne Rimoin @arimoin

It was my great honor and pleasure to introduce a true #globalhealth hero, Dr. Joel Breman, for his @ASTMH presidential address this morning. #tropmed20



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Detailed Guidelines for Submission and Processing — Deadline: February 24, 2021

- Symposium submissions Submit proposals by February 24. Submitted symposia may be edited through February 24. To access an existing submission, log in to the submission site, go to Sessions List and click on Symposium. The symposium title, description and topic category, three learning objectives, name of Symposium Organizer, Co-Chair and the names of speakers with organizational affiliations (including mailing address, phone number and email) and presentation titles, and a brief description of each speaker's background are due by February 24. The speaker disclosure fields are not required at this stage of the process. However, if you have this information, please enter it in the submission site.
- Call for Abstracts In early March, the Society issues a Call for Abstracts. The Call for Abstracts is distinct from the symposium process. Abstracts are not collected for symposium presentations. As the Symposium Organizer, please advise your speakers that they should NOT submit abstracts duplicating the content to be presented in the symposium. If your symposium proposal is declined, you and your speakers will be given an opportunity to submit abstracts for the proposed presentations. Symposium speakers may submit abstracts in response to the Call for Abstracts for any topic not duplicated in the proposed symposium. The Program Committee works to ensure that symposium presentations are not repeated as oral abstract sessions (i.e., scientific sessions) or poster presentations.
- Accepted symposia Acceptance notices will be sent to Symposium Organizers in early June 2021. By late June, organizers must finalize the symposium title, presenter names and organizations, titles of talks, learning objectives and financial disclosure information for the final roster of speakers. Organizers should not plan to add speakers or substantially alter the symposium content during the finalization process. The Program Committee understands that substitution of symposium speakers will occasionally be necessary. Changes should be communicated to Judy DeAcetis in a timely manner.
- Financial disclosure All Annual Meeting speakers, including symposium speakers, are required by ASTMH policy and the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) to provide pertinent financial disclosures (if any exist) so that meeting attendees are aware of such relationships. If your proposal is accepted, organizers are asked to forward the financial disclosure form (see page 12) to each proposed speaker. Organizers will enter each speaker's disclosure data into the site. Speaker disclosure information for accepted symposia must be entered into the online submission site by late June. This information will be published exactly as entered and will be distributed to Annual Meeting attendees.
- Final acceptance Final acceptance of symposia for presentation is contingent upon completion of the required session and speaker disclosure information by late June. Accepted symposia without complete information may be removed from the program.
- Symposium edits Symposia text cannot be edited after finalization of proposals in late June. The Program Book provided to attendees for the Annual Meeting will include the symposium data as it appears in the submission site as of late June. Speaker substitutions made after late June will be updated in the Program Planner and Meeting App by November 17, 2021.
- Symposium schedule Final schedule information for symposium sessions, including date and time of presentation, will be sent in mid-September 2021. Until then, organizers and speakers should expect to be available to make their presentations anytime on November 17-21, 2021.
- Editorial changes ASTMH reserves the right to make editorial changes to descriptions, presentation titles and speaker affiliations for the purpose of clarification and brevity, as well as adhering to CME guidelines.





Elizabeth Winzeler, 2020 Charles Franklin Craig Lecture

Dr. Rebecca Christofferson @RC_Epi @ACAV_ASTMH Symposia happening now - possibly my favorite one so far! @DanielBausch2 @akrystosik1 @LaBeaud Lab





Linnie Golightly, 2020 Plenary Session "Race and Social Justice: Tropical Medicine's Troubled Past and Future Challenge"

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Symposium Content

As specified by the Society's CME accreditation by the ACCME, ASTMH maintains responsibility for and controls all symposium content. Symposia must promote improvements or quality in healthcare and science and not a specific proprietary interest of a commercial interest. Presentations must give a balanced view of therapeutic options and reference the best available evidence. Use of generic names will contribute to this impartiality. Presentation of data at scientific meetings, including the ASTMH Annual Meeting, generally does NOT preclude publication in scientific journals.

Symposium Submission Site Helpful Hints

- Internet Browsers. Windows: use Internet Explorer version 8.0 9.0. MAC: use Safari version 3.2 5.0.
- Username and Password. The username and password for the submission site is NOT the same as your login for the ASTMH website. Use the links in the LOGIN box of the submission site to create a new account or retrieve your password if you have previously submitted a proposal or abstract.
- Co-Chair Screen. The submission site features a Co-Chair page that requires you to identify a session Co-Chair. If your symposium does not feature a Co-Chair, click on People Lookup and search for the last name = NotApplicable. Note: Do not insert a space between words. Simply type NotApplicable. In the financial disclosure form that follows at the end of this document, click the box that reads "I have nothing to disclose."
- Creative Format Screen. If your proposal follows the standard four-speaker format (with or without a panel discussion at the end) you may leave the Creative Format field blank or simply insert "Not Applicable."
- Presentation Length. Enter the presentation length for each speaker using time increments in multiples of 5 minutes. If you plan to allocate time for speakers to address questions immediately following their individual presentations, the presentation length you provide for each speaker should include the time allotted for questions. For example, if you plan to allocate 20 minutes for a speaker's presentation, immediately followed by 5 minutes of questions and answers, the presentation length for this speaker should be entered as 25 minutes.
- Character Lengths for Data Fields. When entering your session and participant information, note the character limits, which include spaces. If you exceed the character limits, an error message will appear.

Character Limit

Field Name	Character Limit (includes spaces)	
Symposium Description	2,800	
Creative Format Description	1,300	
Rationale for Topic Description	1,000	
Media Interest	650	
Organization Information section – Organization field	255	
Organization Information section – Department field	100	
Contact Information section – Contact Address	1 field 50	
Contact Information section – Contact Address	2 field 50	
Background Information	1,000	

Use the SUMMARY page to view your data. The system captures your data as it is entered. There is no SUBMIT button. To view what you have entered, use the SUMMARY link on the left side of the screen.



Symposium Submission Site Checklist

- The email provided for the Symposium Organizer is the email that will be used for all communication about the symposium.
- All symposia must include at least one speaker of each gender.
 Proposals that do not meet this criterion will not be reviewed.
- The Society highly encourages inclusion of speakers from low- and middle-income countries. Proposals that do not feature speakers from these countries must provide a rationale.
- ✓ Use upper- and lower-case letters; do not use all capital letters.
- ✓ Do not include speaker names in the session description.

- Have you provided accurate responses for each speaker's gender and country in the submission site? Inaccurate responses could affect the review status of the proposal if criteria for gender and LMIC balance are not met.
- Advise your speakers NOT to submit abstracts to the Call for Abstracts that duplicate the content to be presented in the symposium. If your symposium proposal is declined, you and your speakers will be given an opportunity to submit abstracts for the proposed presentations.
- It is imperative that you provide the correct, preferred e-mail address for all symposium participants. ASTMH staff will not follow up with individual symposium participants if emails are returned as undeliverable.

Key Facts for Symposium Organizers

- > Organizer or Co-Chair must be an ASTMH member
- Gender, institutional background and country of origin are important factors for consideration
- Organizers are responsible for informing speakers about the session recording (MP4)
- All proposals pay \$75 non-refundable submission fee
- No ASTMH funding available for speaker expenses
- Symposium Organizers and Co-Chairs pay the registration fee
- Speakers who are ASTMH members pay the registration fee
- Speakers who are not members of ASTMH receive a complimentary registration

Symposium Policies – Updated this Year

savannah boerger, mph will get vaccinated @savboerger

> Excited to share my poster virtually this morning on our urbanicity + dengue work at @ASTMH #TropMed20 as a first time attendee and "presenter" from my little home office nook!



By submitting a symposium proposal, the organizer agrees to the symposium policies on behalf of the symposium participants: Symposium Organizer, Co-Chair and speakers.

As the Symposium Organizer:

- All communication for this symposium will be conducted with the email provided for the Symposium Organizer. The Symposium Organizer is responsible for advising participants of all symposium policies.
- It is imperative that you provide the correct, preferred email address for all symposium participants. ASTMH staff will not follow up with individual symposium participants if emails are returned as undeliverable.

Speaker Disclosure Information:

I understand that speaker disclosure information for accepted symposia will be published and distributed to Annual Meeting attendees.

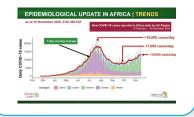




Anthony Fauci, 2020 Special Award for Outstanding Service to the Global Public as a Trusted Voice in Science

John Nkengasong @JNkengasong

While AU Member States did well early on to slow #COVID19 transmission, we are seeing a worrying uptick in reported cases (~10,000 cases/day), across the continent. @AfricaCDC continues to urge countries to remain vigilant to contain a potential 2nd wave. #astmh2020 #TropMed20.



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Symposium Organization:

I confirm that no commercial interest has an organizational role in this symposium program. The ACCME defines a commercial interest as any entity producing, marketing, re-selling or distributing healthcare goods or services consumed by or used on patients.

Symposium Organizer Responsibility:

As the organizer of this symposium, I agree to the symposium policies on behalf of all participants: Symposium Organizer, Co-Chair and speakers. I affirm that I am responsible for advising the Co-Chair and speakers of all symposium policies.

Membership Requirement for Symposium Organizer/Symposium Co-Chair:

I understand that either the Symposium Organizer or the symposium Co-Chair must be an ASTMH member by the submission deadline of February 24, 2021. I understand that if neither the Symposium Organizer nor the symposium Co-Chair indicated in the proposal are ASTMH members on February 24, the proposal will not be considered for review. To encourage wider participation in the Annual Meeting and the Society, exceptions include nurses, nurse practitioners, physician assistants, veterinarians and biomedical engineers.

Submission Fee for Symposium Proposals by February 25:

I understand that all symposium proposals require a non-refundable processing fee of \$75 USD payable by February 25.

Organizer Gives Permission for Recording of Speakers' Presentations:

On behalf of my symposium speakers, I hereby give permission for ASTMH, its agents and representatives to audio and/or video record and produce digital on-demand webcasts (MP4) of all presentations in this symposium and grant ASTMH a nonexclusive, royalty-free license to distribute those electronic media, and to use the material they contain, including materials the Symposium Organizer, Co-Chairs and speakers choose to provide, for any lawful purpose, including publication in the conference proceedings, sales to members and the general public and/or distribution to attendees or via the Internet. I confirm that the symposium speakers understand that they will receive no remuneration for such usage. I confirm that I have received permission from all speakers in this symposium to audio record the session. If a speaker for this symposium is replaced for any reason, I confirm that I give permission on behalf of the replacement speaker to audio record his/her presentation.

No Funding Provided for Speakers:

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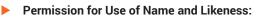


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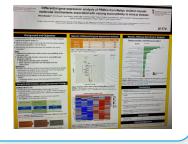
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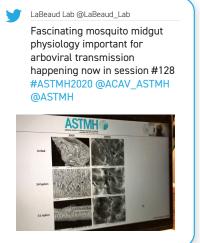
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