

# **Autumn conference Clinical Rheumatology - State of the Art**

3-4 October 2013  
Edinburgh ICC

## **Case report submission guidelines**

### **About the event**

This British Society for Rheumatology event will bring together consultants and next generation rheumatologists to share and exchange clinical best practice through expert panel sessions, high-level round-table discussion groups and interactive debate.

Featuring world experts in the field, the event will focus on four key topic areas:

- Systemic lupus erythematosus
- Scleroderma
- Rheumatoid arthritis
- Ankylosing spondylitis

The case reports submitted by delegates, both as presentation and posters will form a key part of the event by provoking debate and discussion on the management of complex cases. You can discuss your practice and take away ideas to implement immediately in a clinical setting.

We invite the submission of the case reports within the four topic areas to contribute to this world-class event.

### **Key dates**

Case report submission closes (oral presentations): 31 July 2013

Case report submission closes (posters): 30 August 2013

### **Case report structure**

Our online submission form has six sections.

#### **Title**

Try to make the title a summary of the case - descriptive enough to show that the case is relevant, interesting and worth discussing at the event.

#### **Author information**

The person who will present the report at the conference should be listed first. Other people involved in the case or who have contributed to the case report should be listed, along with their full affiliations (details of their units)

#### **Introduction**

A short introduction should put the case report into context, and briefly explain its significance.

## **Case description**

Try to cover:

- Details of the patient, including medical history
- How/why the patient presented
- Diagnostic evaluation (examination, investigations carried out)
- Treatment given (thus far)
- Progress and outcomes (thus far - as applicable).

## **Discussion**

Use this section to discuss why you made your clinical decisions, what you have learned so far, and why you think this is an interesting case. You should raise any outstanding questions or issues for discussion if your case report is presented at the event.

## **Key learning points**

Please pick out the main learning points for you so far, and the learning objectives you'd like to gain from the conference.

## **Contribution to the event and interactivity**

Say briefly why you feel this particular case report would be valuable for presentation at the conference and how it would benefit delegates to discuss the issues raised.

We are keen to make the event as interactive as possible, e.g. if you have any images or video recordings that you think will be useful, you can either upload them, indicate a link or note that you will be bringing video when you present.

If you want to include figures and diagrams, please make sure you reference them in the text, and number them; if they have already been published, please note that we will have to have a copy of permission from the copyright holder.

## **Conditions of submission**

- You can submit up to three case reports
- Please do not make your report longer than 4,000 characters. Bullet points are acceptable.
- Patient consent
- A signed statement of informed consent is required for each patient. Their personal details in the report must be rendered anonymous, so as not to reveal their identities.

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