



National Societies Best Paper submission guidelines:

We are pleased to invite you to submit your National Societies Best Paper to the SECEC Annual Congress 2026, that will be held in Barcelona, Spain. Abstracts must be submitted exclusively via [the online platform](#) available.

National Societies Best Paper Submission:

The abstract should:

- Be an original abstract
- Have been recognised at the national level (as "best paper" for example)
- Not have otherwise been accepted for oral presentation at the secec congress
- Be presented in english
- Be no more than 400 words
- Not reveal the institutional affiliation or any of researchers since the national societies best paper will be judged anonymously
- Not be written not be written in capital letters
- Be free from abbreviations, except those commonly used. It should concisely address the problem and purpose of study

Title of presentation: Please choose a brief title that clearly indicates the content of the contribution. Please avoid abbreviations in the title. Abbreviations may be used in the text if they are defined when first used.

Principal author: Name, email, institution, business affiliation (department, school, agency, company, etc.), city and country. In instances of multiple authorship, the person whose name is listed first is expected to deliver the presentation.

Co-authors: their names, email, institution/business information, country

To provide a consistent format for reviewers and attendees, the abstract must be structured into the following five distinct paragraphs:

- Aim
- Background
- Methods
- Results
- Conclusion

To ensure a fair and unbiased review process, abstracts will be evaluated anonymously. Therefore, the abstract text must not include any information that could reveal the identity of the authors or their institutional affiliation. This includes avoiding mentions of specific universities, hospitals, research centers, or geographic locations that could be used to identify the researchers.

The text and the title of the abstract should be free from abbreviations, except for those that are widely recognized and commonly used in the field. This ensures clarity and avoids confusion for reviewers who may not be familiar with specific abbreviations.

Each abstract will be reviewed by three independent reviewers to ensure a thorough and unbiased evaluation. The review process aims to assess the quality, relevance, and scientific merit of each submission.

Themes: Select one the proposed thematic for:

Shoulder:

- Rotator Cuff
- Instability
- Arthroplasty
- Fracture
- Basic Science
- Miscellaneous

Elbow:

- Fracture
- Arthroplasty
- Soft tissue
- Basic Science

Contact:

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