

Judging Criteria and Valuation for Initial E-Poster Evaluation and Live E-Poster Judging

Initial E-Poster Evaluation

Overview: The Initial E-Poster will be evaluated, in the order of;

1. Meeting submission criteria (**E-Poster Submission Form, ASA Disclosure Form, Identified E-Poster, and De-identified E-Poster**; all sent in one email from the PD or Delegated Program Representative),
2. Correct and appropriate chosen Poster Category (**Original Scientific Research, Medically Challenging Anesthesia Case Study, or Current Anesthesia Topic Analysis**),
3. E-Poster Initial Evaluation by the Poster Presentation Subcommittee Judging Panel. The Judging Panel consists of the Chairperson, the Judging Officers, and the Judging Members).

Initial Evaluation: The E-Poster is completely de-identified by the Poster Submission Officer who does not partake in the evaluation. The de-identified E-Poster is evaluated by the Judging Panel independently from each other.

The Judges Panel will first assess the chosen Category for the E-Poster is appropriate. If the chosen Category is appropriate, then the Judging Panel will evaluate and score the E-Poster. Scores are independently sent to the Poster Submission Officer who ensures the scores are reliable/no outliers (s.d. = +/- 2 points). Any unreliably scored E-Posters are re-evaluated by the Judging Panel. If the situation reoccurs for the E-Poster, a formal meeting with the Chair and all Officers would occur to assess and analyze the E-Poster.

The highest-scoring E-Posters (Top 4-6) will be honored at the AAAA Annual Conference by being offered the opportunity to present their E-Poster at the Live Poster Presentations for the Hopkins Excellence Award.

The Judging Panel utilizes a rubric based on several criteria each with a valuation.

Valuation: Each criterion is valued on a score from 0 to 10 with a discretionary range, as follows;

- Substandard: 0 – 1
- Good/Average: 2 – 4
- Very Good: 5 – 7
- Exceptional: 8 – 10

Criteria: Each criterion is based on researching current rubrics used in other professional healthcare organizations. The criteria used for Judging Panel, without specifically naming each criterion, consist of the following;

- Goal and Purpose
- Organization
- References and Citations
- Grammar
- Content
- Relevance to anesthesia practice
- Methodology/Study design
- Data
- Conclusions

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Live E-Poster Judging

Overview: The Live E-Poster will be judged by a judging panel at the AAAA Annual Conference Poster Presentation. The judging panel at the Live session will consist of guest judges and Poster Presentation Subcommittee members. The E-Poster with the highest overall score based on the initial evaluation score and the Live E-Poster score will be awarded the Hopkins Excellence Award. The overall score is based on the following calculation:

$(\text{Initial Evaluation Score} \times 0.75) + (\text{Live E-Poster Score} \times 0.25) = \text{Overall Score.}$

The Judging Panel utilizes a rubric based on several criteria each with a valuation.

Valuation: Each criterion is valued on a score from 0 to 4 without a discretionary range, as follows;

- Substandard: 1
- Good/Average: 2
- Very Good: 3
- Exceptional: 4

Criteria: Each criterion is based on researching current rubrics used in other professional healthcare organizations. The criteria used for Judging Panel, without specifically naming each criterion, consist of the following;

- Objectives/Goals
- Organization
- Knowledge of the Subject
- Conclusions
- Presentation skills
- Relevance to anesthesia practice
- Conclusions
- Visual clarity

NOTE: The Poster Presentation Subcommittee meets annually to discuss any improvements for each rubric. Any changes to a rubric that would affect the submission process, evaluation process, scoring process, valuations, or criteria will be disclosed in an appropriate time frame.