

## Call for Abstracts for the Poster session at the 9<sup>th</sup> AMS Annual Research Meeting

You are cordially invited to submit an abstract for presentation at the 9<sup>th</sup> AMS Annual Research Meeting, to be held on April 2, 2026.

### What's in it for you?

1. You can submit an abstract, that, if selected, will be part of the poster session at the 9<sup>th</sup> AMS Annual Research Meeting, and will be in the running for one of the 'Best Poster Award 2026'. There are in total 3 awards, one in each of the categories *Clinical Science / Fundamental Science / Sports and Health Science*.
2. In addition to the poster session, your abstract will be reviewed as a possible topic either at the *plenary session* to the whole AMS community, or as part of one of the three *break-out sessions*. If your abstract is selected for one of these, you will be invited to prepare a 7-minute presentation. In total 12 presenters will be selected based on their submitted abstracts.
3. You will find the instructions for your abstract below. All abstracts selected for the poster session and / or the presentations will be included in a 'Book of Abstracts' that will be presented to the AMS community and be available ahead of the meeting.
4. The call is open to (R)MA students, PhD candidates, and PD/ ECRs.

### Points of attention for the Poster session

The poster session is open to MA students and AMS registered PhD candidates who have conducted their presented work during their MA or PhD track. The award is based on the quality of the abstract and the physical poster. In addition there is an 'Audience award' that will be chosen through participant voting. Each presenting author may participate with one abstract / poster only. You are expected to present your poster during the poster session of the AMS Annual Research Meeting.

Winners will receive a certificate and €250 to cover research-related costs of choice. AMS welcomes new research results as well as posters that recently have been presented at another meeting.

Judging criteria:

- Scientific quality;
- Scientific and/or societal relevance;
- Originality.

The winner of the best poster award has the highest scores on the abstract, and the physical poster. The jury's decision is final.

Finally, an 'Audience award', will be selected by the meeting participants. All participants will be asked to vote for the poster of their choice; the instructions for the voting procedure for the audience award will follow in due course.

## Questions?

Get in touch via [ams@vu.nl](mailto:ams@vu.nl)

*We highly recommend you consult the links below before making your poster, they offer great tips and tricks for making a #betterposter*

*Please note: these links are meant for inspiration and are NOT compulsory.*

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1RwJbhkCA58>
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SYk29tnxASs&t=832s>

## Abstract Guidelines

Abstracts that do NOT follow the guidelines below will NOT be considered for participation in the Poster session nor for the 'Best Poster Award' competition or presentations.

### Abstract format

**THIS IS THE TITLE OF YOUR ABSTRACT, USE CAPITALS AND IN BOLD Use Arial 12 font**

**Name presenting author in bold**, other authors in normal text.

#### Affiliations:

1. University, Department, University (Hospital) / Research institute / Research programme(s);
2. University, Department, University (Hospital) / Research institute / Research programme(s);
3. University, Department, University (Hospital) / Research institute / Research programme(s);

The abstract must be in English. The text of the abstract can have headings (introduction, methods, results, discussion) or be written in one piece. Please do not adjust the margins or line spacing. You can include preliminary data. The maximal limit of the abstract is **strictly 1 page**. You can include tables and figures. Please use Arial 10 for the text, and 12 for the title.

Save your abstract as a **word-file** using the format below<sup>1</sup>, use the **presenting author**<sup>2</sup> in the file name.

Submission deadline: **February 1, 2026, 23:59hrs.** Submit your abstract via [THIS](#) link.

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<sup>1</sup> Surname, I.N.I.T.I.A.L.\_prefix\_First\_four\_words\_abstract (omit prepositions, conjunctions etc). E.g.: Bloggs, J\_van Validity\_maximal\_exercise\_testing

<sup>2</sup> You can only submit one abstract as presenting author.