

2020

ACMG Annual Clinical Genetics Meeting

MARCH 17–21 | EXHIBIT DATES: MARCH 18–20

HENRY B. GONZÁLEZ CONVENTION CENTER | SAN ANTONIO, TX

Proposal Formats:

- Scientific Plenary Session
- Short Course
- Trainee and Non-Trainee Workshops
- Debate/Point-Counterpoint
- Ask the Experts
- Design Thinking/Hackathons Session – Problem solving session by small groups
- Case Studies (Diagnostic Challenges, Small Group Problem Solving/Discussion)
- Scientific Concurrent Session
- Hands-on Workshops
- Ted-Style Talks
- Case Vignettes/Role Play
- Ignite Talks
- R. Rodney Howell Symposium

Proposal Format Descriptions:

- **Scientific Sessions - Scientific Plenary Session- Scientific Concurrent Sessions**

Focus on a specific scientific or clinically relevant topic (Plenary or Concurrent) – 1.5 or 2 hours

Special Sessions:

You will be able to indicate if you would like for your proposal to be considered for one of the following special scientific sessions:

- March of Dimes Clinical Genetics Conference/Plenary Session: The Annual March of Dimes Clinical Genetics Conference - topic is specifically related to birth defects. The March of Dimes defines a birth defect as any abnormality of structure or function, whether inherited or acquired in utero and presenting in infancy or early childhood. (2 hours)
- R. Rodney Howell Symposium: The Foundation's R. Rodney Howell Annual Symposium on Public Health Genetics and Genomics is designed to elevate the visibility of public health genetics and genomics and emphasize its relevance to the work of the medical geneticists; as such, it features invited national and international thought leaders in public health genetics and genomics who will address cutting edge issues, programs, policies and controversies.
- **Short Courses**
A 4.5-hour course that focus on one topic. They are held the day before the official start of the Annual Meeting typically from 12:30 pm - 5:30 pm.
- **Hands-on Workshops**
Workshop where the attendees will take part in an activity, as opposed to a workshop where they will passively listen to a presenter.

- **Trainee and Non-Trainee Workshops**
Intensive educational program for a relatively small group of genetic trainees or non-genetic healthcare professionals.
- **Ted-Style Talks**
(Technology, Entertainment, Design): TED-Style talks are delivered without notes and are from memory. They are scripted and carefully rehearsed and are limited to a maximum length of 18 minutes.
- **Debate/Point-Counterpoint**
The structure of a debate follows a point/counterpoint format, where one side provides an argument, followed by a rebuttal from the other side.
- **Case Vignettes/Role Play**
Clinical vignettes are patient-related cases and scenarios that may use role-play to present challenging situations and difficult conversations.
- **Ask the Experts**
A panel comprised of several experts that will address questions submitted by participants prior to the meeting. The topic can be specific or broad with respect as to the target audience.
- **Ignite Talks**
Ignite talks are a series of 5-minute presentations, where each presenter must use 20 slides, which auto-advance every 15 seconds.
- **Design Thinking/Hackathons Session**
Design thinking is a user-centered rapid prototyping approach to innovation. It focuses on creating empathy for users in order to define a design problem, proposing multiple solutions that can address the situation, while rapidly prototyping and testing ideas for further improvement. A problem is presented to the learners, they break into small groups and answer specific questions designed to solve it or address the problem. The talk will be both theoretical and practical, introducing learners to the design thinking process and equipping them with tools and strategies to create solutions and approaches to problems.
- **Case Studies (Diagnostic Challenges, Small Group Problem Solving/Discussion)**
Presentation of Diagnostic Challenges (case studies) in Prenatal, Adult and Cancer, and the Laboratory have been highly successful at the annual meeting. Participants have sent the session leaders cases for brief presentation and the discussion is open to the audience. Additional case study formats are also welcome for workshops and small classrooms.