

INSTRUCTIONS FOR PREPARATION OF ABSTRACTS

1. Abstracts must be submitted through the meeting's web page (<http://congresorickettsiales2013.weebly.com/inscripcionacuten.html>). Download the Word document (template), which will serve as a guide to prepare the abstract.
2. The Scientific Committee will evaluate each abstract and only those suitable for this meeting will be accepted (for example: originality, structure, scientific quality and impact, etc).
3. The author's preference will be considered to determine the mode of presentation (oral or poster). However, the Scientific Committee will select the best abstracts for oral presentations if there are more abstracts than what the program can include. Those not selected can still be presented as posters.
4. Of those that meet the requirements and request support for registration fees (only students or Central Americans), the Scientific Committee will select the best abstracts to receive the waiver.
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Title: Spanish and English, concise but informative. It must include information necessary to allow for efficient electronic retrieval, should not contain abbreviations. In case of animal studies, the species should be included.

Autores: first name and surname of all authors and their institutional affiliations. Authors should have contributed substantially in study design, acquisition of information or analysis of this, writing and critical revision and approval of the final version.

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Abstract: Maximum 400 words, Spanish and English, structured using the following headings: “**Background and aim**”, “**Methods**”, “**Results**” and “**Conclusion**”. Should not be used abbreviations, references or footnotes.

Keywords: 3 to 5 keywords included in the list of descriptors of Health Sciences (<http://decs.bvs.br>).

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