

AACD Poster Competition Grading Criteria

Grading Criteria for Clinical Cases

- A) General neatness and flow of information
- B) Abstract and/or Introduction explain chief complaint and problem
- C) Clear presentation of Treatment Plan and Materials used
- D) Degree of difficulty of case
- E) Esthetic outcome of case

Grading Criteria for Material Science

- A) General neatness and flow of information
- B) Abstract and/or Introduction Explain Hypothesis and Problem
- C) Clear presentation of Methods and Materials
- D) Relevance to clinical dentistry, proper references
- E) Overall knowledge of the field and presentation

Specifications for Poster Competition Presentations

1. Posters should be 4 ft./48 inches (width) and 3 ft./36 inches (height)
2. Be sure to include the abstract title, author name(s), and the institution where the work was completed in large letters centered at the top of the poster.
3. Abstracts should include a brief description of the methods, results, and conclusions that define the purpose of the poster.
4. The poster is a graphic presentation of an author's work using graphs, photographs, diagrams, and any sample educational materials developed.
5. You will be responsible for mounting your own poster prior to the poster session and removing your display materials after the session.
6. AACD is offering all presenters FedEx Office Scientific Poster Service located in Marriott Marquis Chicago, 2121 South Prairie Avenue, Chicago, Illinois. Save the hassle of traveling with a cumbersome poster by using FedEx for hi-quality, full color scientific posters. A 48" x 36" full-color poster will cost approximately \$96 plus applicable taxes. To take advantage of the FedEx offer please complete this form.

7. It is recommended to use tubular packaging or a portfolio case for presenters who decide to hand-carry their poster to the scientific session.
8. Handouts are encouraged to supplement your poster.
9. Presenters are highly encouraged to be near their displays to discuss their work with attendees throughout the scientific session. They must however be present during the 2 hours that the posters will be judged. The timing for the viewing of posters and actual judging will be provided before the AACD Annual Scientific Session.

Tips for Poster Competition Displays

- Poster presenters should allow for a short presentation and stimulate discussion. Therefore, keep text to a minimum, emphasize graphics and photos, and make sure every item in your poster is necessary.
- Draw a rough sketch of your poster first. You may find it helpful to use graph paper and post-it notes to better visualize where the components of your presentation will go.
- The poster must easily be read from a 4-foot distance. Ordinary type or carelessly prepared handwritten copy is unacceptable, and will not be displayed. Use a font size of at least 26 point and double space.
- Space your information proportionally by dividing your poster either horizontally or vertically into three or four sections. Then place related materials (e.g. photograph with accompanying text) close together and highlight it by framing with blank space.