Fertility 2027

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Global Fertility: Science, Access and Equity

12 - 15 JANUARY

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Abstract Submission Guidelines

We are delighted to be returning to the historical city of Belfast for the 20th Annual Fertility Conference hosted by the Association of Reproductive & Clinical Scientists, the British Fertility Society and the Society for Reproduction and Fertility.

This year's conference will offer an engaging and thought-provoking programme centred around *Global Fertility: Science, Access and Equity*.

Abstracts form a crucial part of the Fertility conference, providing engaging and up-to-date research to our delegates. We want to help you maximise the prospect of your abstract being accepted for inclusion in the conference programme, so please read our guidance carefully and make sure you've completed the required information.

We look forward to receiving your abstract submission.

Conference Date

13-15 January 2027

Conference Location

ICC Belfast
2 Lanyon Pl
Belfast
BT1 3WH

Conference Theme

Global Fertility: Science, Access and Equity.

Where to submit your abstract

All abstracts must be submitted via the Fertility 2027 Abstract Portal (Oxford Abstracts). Abstracts will not be accepted in any other format.

To submit your abstract, please click the button below to be directed to the abstract portal.

ARCS Association of Reproductive and Clinical Scientists

BFS

SRF Society for Reproduction and Fertility

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Submit Abstract

Already have an account

If you already have an account with Oxford Abstracts, please log in using your credentials.

Create a new account

If you do not have an account, please select the 'Create New Account' link, and enter your full name and email address. You will also be asked to set a password and verify your email address.

Multiple abstracts can be submitted under the same account. Please note that all correspondence relating to the submission(s) will be sent to the abstract submitter only. It is the responsibility of this person to pass on any relevant information regarding the submitted abstract to the other authors.

Abstract Deadline

To be considered for Fertility 2027, abstracts must be submitted by **midnight 28th August 2026.**

Submission Process

The information required during the submission process is detailed below.

Presentation Format

There are four presentation formats available at the conference, listed below:

- **Oral presentation** – a 10-minute talk, followed by a 5-minute Q&A, delivered during a scheduled session
- **Rapid Fire presentation + Poster** – a 3-minute oral presentation delivered during a break, accompanied by a poster for further discussion during the following break
- **Poster presentation only** – a visual presentation displayed during a dedicated poster session
- **Mini-poster presentation only** – a mini-poster displayed in the Poster Village for informal interaction; no scheduled presentation

The Scientific Committee will review all submissions and allocate the most appropriate presentation format. **Oral presentation slots are limited**, so if your abstract is not selected for an oral presentation, it may be considered for other formats in the order listed above.

Submission Categories

You will need to choose the most appropriate category for your abstract during submission. The options are listed below.

- Assisted conception
- Endocrinology
- Fertilisation and embryo
- Nursing
- Oocytes and ovary
- Other
- Pregnancy outcomes
- Psychosocial
- Sperm and testes
- Uterus

The programme committee will re-categorise your submission if they consider it has been incorrectly assigned.

Title

The full title of your submission should be provided on the submission form. It should be entered exactly as it should appear in the final programme.

Please do not use upper case characters. Sentence case should be used (capitalise the first letter of the sentence, with the rest being lower case except for proper nouns and acronyms).

Abstract

Please enter your abstract below and ensure it meets the following requirements:

- The maximum word count is 300 words.
- Abstracts must be submitted in English.
- Use clear headings to structure your abstract (e.g. Objectives, Methods, Results, Conclusions).
- Do not include tables or images.
- Use standard abbreviations. Any non-standard abbreviations should be written in full the first time, followed by the abbreviation in parentheses.
- Use generic (non-proprietary) names for drugs.
- If referring to proprietary products or equipment, include the manufacturer's name and location in parentheses.
- Do not include any identifying information, such as names of authors, institutions, hospitals, schools, clinics, or cities.
- Abstracts must be print-ready. Please check spelling and grammar carefully before submission.

References

Vancouver format should be used for references. References should be kept to a minimum and accurately presented. Only sources referenced in the abstract text should be included.

References should be numbered in the order in which the citations appear in the text.

Authors

All authors details should be added to the submission (including yourself) and entered in the order in which they should appear in the programme.

Please do not include your title (e.g., Dr, Prof) or any post-nominals when adding authors.

You will be asked to indicate which author is presenting during your submission. The person listed as the presenting author must register and attend the conference. Due to the full nature of the conference programme, presenting authors cannot be changed once the abstract has been allocated.

Declarations

You will be asked to confirm the following information:

- Any conflicts of interest.
- Whether the abstract has been approved for submission by all authors.
- That the presenting author will register in full to attend the conference.
- To give permission for the abstract to be published on the conference website and in the conference abstract book.

Society Membership

You will be asked whether you hold a valid membership with ARCS, BFS or SRF. You can select multiple societies if you hold memberships with more than one.

Prizes

The prizes listed below are awarded at the Fertility Conference for outstanding work as judged by a panel during the conference. If you are a member of ARCS, BFS or SRF, you will be given the opportunity to nominate your abstract for one of the societies' prizes on the submission form. The prizes are awarded to the presenting author only. The presenting author must fit the criteria for consideration including active membership of the relevant society.

- ARCS Pre-Registration – *presenting author must be a trainee (non-HCPC registered reproductive scientist)*
- ARCS Post-Registration – *presenting author must be qualified (HCPC registered reproductive scientist)*
- ARCS Iwan Lewis Jones Prize – *presenting author must work in an andrology specialism*

- BFS Early Career Science Award* – *Awarded for discovery science undertaken within the 5 years preceding the conference and given as an oral presentation. Awarded to the presenting first author. The recipient must be a registered clinical scientist, academic or clinical member of the BFS. Academic members must be within 5 years of higher degree. Previous recipients of this award are not eligible.*
- BFS Early Career Clinical Award* - *Awarded for clinical science undertaken within the 5 years preceding the conference and given as an oral presentation. Awarded to the presenting first author. The recipient must be a registered clinician, clinical scientist, or academic member of the BFS. For clinicians, eligibility is restricted to those where the first author/presenter is a doctor in training or equivalent at the time of submission. Academic members must be within 5 years of higher degree. Previous recipients of this award are not eligible.*
- BFS Best Nurse Award** – *Eligibility is restricted to nurses who are registered as Nurse members of the BFS and will be awarded to the presenting first author for work undertaken within the 5 years preceding the conference and given as an oral presentation. Previous recipients of this award are not eligible*
- *BFS Counselling Award**** - *Eligibility is restricted to BFS members who are registered as Counsellor members of the BFS and will be awarded to the presenting first author for work undertaken within the 5 years preceding the conference and given as an oral OR poster presentation. Previous recipients of this award are not eligible.*
- BFS Bowen-Simpkins Prize – *Awarded for work published within the 12–18 months preceding the conference. The first author is an early career researcher and/or below consultant level (or equivalent). Eligible publications must relate to fertility and reproductive medicine.*
- SRF Post-Doctoral Scientist Prize – *previous recipients of this award who have won in the last two years are not eligible.*
- SRF PhD Student Prize - *previous recipients of this award who have won in the last two years are not eligible.*

**The recipient may be asked to attend the Indian Fertility Society annual conference or the Fertility Society of Australia and New Zealand annual conference on a rotational basis, with the costs of registration, travel and accommodation (up to a maximum of £2000) covered. The recipient will present the paper at that international conference. As above, if there is no presentation suitable to be awarded the prize then at their discretion, the BFS reserves the right to award it to an alternative presentation or not to award it at all.*

***The recipient of this award may be asked to attend that year's Canadian Fertility and Andrology Society conference with the costs of registration, travel and accommodation (up to a maximum of £2000) covered. The recipient of this award will present the award-winning paper at the FASC conference. As above, if there is no presentation suitable to be*

awarded the prize then at their discretion, the BFS reserves the right to award it to an alternative presentation or not to award it at all.

****The recipient of this award will receive complimentary registration to the following year's Fertility Conference. As above, if there is no presentation suitable to be awarded the prize then at their discretion, the BFS reserves the right to award it to an alternative presentation or not to award it at all.*

Decision Date

All abstract submissions are peer reviewed by a minimum of 2 reviewers and a final decision is made by the Fertility 2027 Programme Committee based on the reviewers scores and comments.

Notifications of the decision will be sent to all submitters on **Monday 28th September 2026.**

Amending an Abstract

You can log back into your Oxford Abstract account to amend your submissions up until the submission deadline date. After this time, no amendments can be made.

After logging into the system, you will see a list of submissions on your dashboard. Click the edit button next to the abstract to make amendments. The process of amending an abstract is the same as the original submission process. Click the submit button at the bottom of the page to save the changes.

Once your abstract is submitted the presenting author cannot be changed due to programme allocation.

Withdrawing an abstract

If you would like to withdraw an abstract, please contact the conference organisers Seren Events Ltd by email fertility-speakers@serenevents.com or by telephoning +44 (0)1745 776 505.