

Dear Colleagues

United European Gastroenterology (UEG) Week in Barcelona from October 28 – November 1, 2017 will be the largest and most prestigious meeting of its kind in Europe and the world-leading Gastroenterology event in 2017. Leading scientists and clinicians will come together to discuss the latest advances in our field, from new digestive health research to developments in clinical practice. Therefore, submitting your abstract to UEG Week is a unique opportunity to make your scientific achievements visible for a large audience who shares your interest in gastroenterology and hepatology.

Undoubtedly, UEG Week is THE place for clinicians and scientists to present their best work. Submitting your scientific work to UEG Week will give you the possibility to present your research at one of the best attended gastroenterology meetings in the world – we expect 14,000 attendees from more than 120 countries. We truly believe that we offer more to researchers in terms of rewards and exposure than any other meeting of its kind, and so attract the best of the best. For everyone interested in any aspect of digestive health and disease there is a comprehensive programme organised in innovative, interactive and exciting formats. As in previous years we will have a large number of sessions dedicated to oral presentations of original research, and printed posters will also be presented as E-Posters on E-Poster Terminals all over the congress centre. Moreover, small group sessions, entitled “Posters in the Spotlight” will give the poster presenters possibilities to discuss their scientific findings in depth with experts in the field. Finally, the UEG Week Hotspot will represent a most interactive format of fast-paced oral presentations where best scoring abstracts or most controversial research data will be presented. This also includes the ‘Abstracts on FIRE’ series, where UEG Week’s leading abstracts are examined, explored and clinically reviewed by experts.

In addition to that, all abstracts are permanently featured in UEG’s Education Library (<https://www.ueg.eu/education/library>), the biggest resource for gastroenterologists in the world. Abstracts, Clinical and Video Cases for UEG Week 2017 may be submitted until April 27, 2017. Note that abstracts presented previously at national or international meetings may be submitted providing this is declared but that we particularly welcome work not previously presented at international meetings.

We set up various attractive incentives especially for younger delegates to make it as convenient and cost effective as possible to come to UEG Week:

- Registration fee for a fellow in training¹ if registered until May 18 is **€ 200**
- Registration fee for a fellow in training¹ for the Postgraduate Teaching Programme is **€ 100**
- The best 340 abstracts receive a **Travel Grant of € 1,000**
- The best 5 abstracts receive the **Top Abstract Prize in form of € 10,000**

Note further prizes and grants that are offered to support abstract submitters to present their research on the international stage:

- **Poster Champ Award** for best daily posters: free registration for the Postgraduate Teaching Programme at the upcoming UEG Week
- **National Scholar Award: recognition** for the best abstract from your country, presented by a colleague below the age of 35
- **Oral Free Paper Prize** in each Free Paper - and Posters-in-the-Spotlight Session.

This year marks the 25th anniversary for our congress and we hope we have convinced you that UEG Week Barcelona has to be part of your congress calendar 2017 and look forward to receiving your scientific work. Visit the UEG website for details on why you should not miss UEG Week Barcelona 2017 and for guidelines on abstract submission: www.ueg.eu/week/



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¹ The fellow in training fee is only applicable for master and PhD Students as well as for residents in training under 40 years of age. A certificate confirming the 'in training' status from the supervisor or head of department must be forwarded together with the registration.