



# SHSA 2019

Symposium on Hidradenitis  
Suppurativa Advances

## CALL FOR ABSTRACTS



**November 1 – 3, 2019**

Westin Book Cadillac Hotel

Detroit, MI

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## INVITATION FROM THE ORGANIZING COMMITTEE

Please join us for the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual **Symposium on Hidradenitis Suppurativa Advances (SHSA)** to be held from November 1 to 3, 2019. Over the past three years, we've seen an exponential growth in the interest of HS and are pleased to have secured a larger venue - the Westin Book Cadillac Hotel in Detroit, Michigan – to accommodate this expanding and evolving conference.

Co-hosted by the Hidradenitis Suppurativa Foundation (USA) and the Canadian Hidradenitis Suppurativa Foundation (Canada), the SHSA provides an interdisciplinary forum for researchers, scholars and clinicians from different disciplines to present the most recent innovations and practical challenges encountered and solutions adapted in the fields of HS.

SHSA is for specialists and primary care physicians, and provides a range of interactive educational sessions in the format of plenary sessions, workshops and panel discussions on HS related topics.

We invite your abstract submission for inclusion as an oral or poster presentation. The deadline for submission is July 5, 2019. We look forward to welcoming you to Detroit in November.

Dr. Iltefat Hamzavi  
President, HSF

Dr. Michelle Lowes  
CO-CHAIR

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## Highlights of Attending SHSA

- Present the latest research, innovations and clinical challenges related to HS
- Discuss the current research ranging from the burden of the disease to the new treatment modalities
- Multiple debates and panel discussion on hot topics and controversies in HS
- Conference Workshops
- Provide an HS course for patients and providers



## IMPORTANT DATES

Abstract Submission Deadline.....	Friday, July 5, 2019
Notice of Abstract Adjudication.....	Monday, July 22, 2019
Registration Deadline (for presenting authors) .....	Friday, August 30, 2019
Early Registration deadline .....	Friday, August 30, 2019
Hotel Booking deadline (based on availability) .....	Tuesday, October 1, 2019

## Abstract Submission Information

### Abstract Format

The Symposium on Hidradenitis Suppurativa Advances is inviting abstract submissions for presentation as oral or poster.

Please indicate your preference for oral or poster presentation in the online submission. Due to the limited number of oral presentations available in the SHSA program, meritorious abstracts not assigned to oral presentation, will be accepted for posters. Please indicate in the online submission system if you do not wish to accept a poster presentation in this instance.

An acknowledgement of your abstract submission(s) will be sent via email.

Abstracts will be peer reviewed, following the submission deadline on **Friday, July 5, 2019**. Notifications will be sent to the accepted abstract submitters by **Monday, July 22, 2019**. Correspondence will be directed to the submitting author.

### Topics

Please submit your abstract by selecting one category out of the following that best describes its scientific content. Categories will be used for reviewing and indexing purposes.

- Epidemiology and Health Services Research
- Clinical Research including Quality of Life
- Comorbidities and complications
- Clinical trial research & innovation
- Basic & Translational research
- Medical treatments and wound care
- Surgical and interventional treatments

### Abstract Submission Process

Abstracts submissions will be accepted via the online submission system at [www.shsaabstracts.com](http://www.shsaabstracts.com) beginning March 2019. The deadline for submissions is **Friday, July 5, 2019**. Abstracts sent by email or mail will not be accepted. Presenting authors will be required to submit a conflict of interest disclosure statement with the online submission system for inclusion in the final program.

All abstracts submitted must address one of the conference topics for inclusion in the program. Abstracts should present new information, and not have been submitted or published elsewhere (at the time of submission). When submitting an abstract, please select the topic that best applies to your abstract. Topics can be selected from the drop-down menu of the online submission system.

Submitting authors and/or presenters may modify their submission(s) until the closing date of **July 5, 2019 at 5:00pm PST**.

Abstracts selected for poster or oral presentations in the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Symposium on HS Advances will be reproduced exactly as submitted and substitutions will not be permitted. **Be sure to proofread your abstract very carefully before submitting.** Abstracts will be published as a proceeding report in the Journal of Experimental Dermatology.

## Abstract Guidelines

- Prepare your abstract in MS Word
- Do not use presentation software, such as PowerPoint
- Limit your abstract (body) to no more than 300 words
- Refer to generic names, rather than brand names
- It is suggested, other than case presentations, to separate your abstract into three (3) paragraphs:
  - ❖ Introduction
  - ❖ Methods, Results
  - ❖ Conclusions
- Include learning objectives and a takeaway message.

## Disclosure of Conflict

Authors are required to complete a Disclosure of Conflict form as part of the abstract submission. These will be included in the Final Program. Do not send your presentation in PDF or PowerPoint format. Abstracts must be free of commercial bias and should only identify drug products by their generic names.

## Condition of Acceptance

A condition of acceptance is that you must register for the conference. Conference registration must be received by **Friday, August 30, 2019** in order for the abstract to be included in the program.

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**Submit your abstract now at: <http://www.shsaabstracts.com>**

## SHSA Travel Grants

The Organizing Committee of the Symposium on HS Advances anticipates a limited number of travel grants will be available. The awards are for **junior investigators** (within 10 years of completion of training), **residents, fellows, post-docs, professional and graduate students** with a demonstrated interest in HS.

Candidates from all countries will be considered. To be eligible, applicants must be the presenter of an accepted abstract. In planning travel that is eligible for travel grant reimbursement, travel expenses that will qualify for reimbursement by the grant include: (a) Coach airfare travel on a U. S. flag air carrier; or (b) driving a personal vehicle [must be less than 750 miles roundtrip]; or (c) train or bus travel. Hotel can be booked and will be reimbursed up to the travel award amount after the conference.

Travel Grant recipients must pay the SHSA Registration Fee. Registration costs are not covered by the travel award.

To apply, please select the **Travel Grant tick box** in the online abstract submission.

## CHSF Trainee Scholarships

In addition to the SHSA Travel Grants, the Canadian HS Foundation is pleased to announce that three trainee scholarships (\$1,000 CAD each) are available to Canadian dermatology residents or fellows who are the presenters of an accepted abstract at the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Symposium on Hidradenitis Suppurativa Advances.

*Please note, the CHSF Trainee Scholarships are managed directly by the CHSF.*

For more information or to apply for the scholarship, please contact [pbelfer@dermatology.ca](mailto:pbelfer@dermatology.ca)

**Deadline for applying – August 23, 2019**

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