

IMI 10th Anniversary Scientific Symposium: Questions & Answers

What are we looking for?

We are especially interested in abstracts that provide a response to two questions:

- How has the project advanced the field of research both, in broader terms, referring to one or more of the four scientific symposium tracks and, more concretely, taking into account specific project results.
- Why was a public-private partnership model needed to address the particular research challenge targeted by the project, demonstrating the collaborative nature of the project.

Will only young researchers be called to provide abstract presentations? What is the maximum number of junior researchers for each project's presentation?

Together with the excellent research carried out by IMI projects, we want to highlight IMI's contribution to the next generation of researchers by giving them a prominent voice in the symposium. That is the reason why we have reserved the abstract presentations for young researchers from both the public and the private sector.

IMI will fund one young researcher per abstract.

What is the definition of a young researcher?

The definition of a young researcher in this context is anyone preparing a PhD and who is enrolled in their first PhD studies at the time of the application deadline, or researchers working either in the public or the private sector having successfully defended their first PhD with up to 10 years of experience post-PhD.

What are the limits of co-authorship?

The abstracts can be co-authored by more than one researcher, and any additional author does not need to be a young researcher.

Will abstracts submitted by researchers be grouped together in the programme?

Given their wide scope, many IMI projects could target more than one of the four programme tracks and, in fact, IMI welcomes multiple submissions per project. However, abstracts will be grouped thematically following the four tracks, regardless of the submitting project/author.

Could other members of the consortium (coordinator, EFPIA lead, etc.) attend the symposium or is it only intended for the junior researchers that will present the posters?

The event is open to everyone. We know projects are a huge common effort and we would really encourage all interested members in the consortium to join the event. We are working to make this scientific symposium a valuable networking event for all IMI researchers and a good dissemination opportunity for our projects.

Regarding oral vs. poster presentation how is that determined and can we suggest which of our submissions we think would be best suited for an oral format?

The choice lays entirely on the author/s and needs to be specified in the electronic submission form.

IMI thanks you in advance for putting your energy, thoughts and creativity into writing a high-quality proposal, and wishes all submitters the best of luck. Whether your submission is successful or not, we hope to see you in Brussels in October 2018!