

Call for Papers – Joint Meeting of Western Society of Weed Science and Western Aquatic Plant Management Society

A joint meeting of the 70th annual conference of the Western Society of Weed Science (WSWS) and the 36th annual conference of the Western Aquatic Plant Management Society (WAPMS) will be held March 13-16, 2017 at the Coeur d'Alene Resort in Coeur d'Alene, ID. This Call for Papers invites and encourages all members of both organizations to participate in the program by presenting a paper as an oral presentation or display in the poster session. Oral presentations are strictly limited to fifteen (15) minutes, and that includes a 2 to 3 minute period to respond to questions from the audience. Multiple presentations by an author can be accommodated if the program schedule allows. If an author submits multiple presentations but the program does not allow time for them, the author will be contacted to determine priority of inclusion. All abstracts of the presentations will be published in Volume 70 of the Proceedings of the Western Society of Weed Science and made available to members of both organizations.

PRESENTATION SUBMISSION DETAILS

Abstracts are required for both oral and poster presentations. All titles, authors, abstracts, and indexing information must be submitted online through the WSSA Title and Abstract Submission System (<http://wssaabstracts.com>). Submissions will be accepted beginning October 3, 2016 and end December 1, 2016. Upon title submission, both WSWS and WAPMS members will have the choice which organization they wish to have their presentation associated with. Graduate students will also have the choice of whether to participate in student contests.

New users of the abstract site must follow the "Setup New Account" link to the right side of the WSSA Abstracts page to declare login information for use of the site. This is different from your WSWS login information. Once logged into the site, click the button to "Join a Conference" at the right side of the page and select the 2017 WSWS conference from the pulldown box. This allows entry of title and related information but **does not** complete registration for the meeting with the society. Registration for meeting attendance must be completed through directions available at the WSWS website (<http://www.wsweedscience.org>).

Once you have "Joined" the conference, the 2017 joint WSWS/WAPMS meeting will have an associated button to allow entry and editing of titles and related information. Please **carefully read and follow directions** for the submission of paper and poster titles, authors, abstracts, and keywords under the WSWS section.

Thursday, December 1, 2016 is the deadline for submitting **title and author** information.

Tuesday, February 28, 2017 is the deadline for submitting the body of the **abstract and keywords** for indexing information. Revised abstracts will not be accepted after that date.

Friday, March 3, 2017 is the deadline for submitting the **presentation slides** for oral papers.

Corresponding authors may complete the entire process in a single session (before the title/author deadline) or they may choose to enter the title and authors before the December 1, 2016 deadline and return before the February 28, 2017 deadline to complete entering the abstract/keyword indexing information. Please note that because of the three-month difference in the title deadline and the abstract deadline, corresponding authors must be able to identify themselves for the online applications when they return; therefore, **be sure to remember your login and password to re-enter the site.**

Please check the online meeting program posted to the WSWs website in mid-January for information regarding scheduling of your presentation day and time. Postcards or other communications indicating the date and time of your accepted presentation will not be sent.

GUIDELINES FOR PROCEEDINGS ABSTRACTS

Abstracts for the student competition must be no longer than 250 words. Abstracts for other presentations are limited to one page.

WSWS will **NOT** retype or make typographical corrections on abstracts submitted for the WSWs Proceedings. Each author is responsible to submit the abstract ready for publication following the guidelines printed below and on the website. Please refer to and follow instructions on the WSSA Abstract site for the most current content and style guidelines. See recent WSWs Proceedings Volumes for examples of abstracts (<http://www.wsweedscience.org/publications/proceedings/>).

CAREFULLY READ AND FOLLOW ALL DIRECTIONS ON THE WEBSITE.

Title: Submit your title text exactly as you want it to appear in the program. Use **title capitalization**, i.e., capitalize the first letter only of all main words. Use only **common or coded names of herbicides** (not trade names) and **common names of weeds and other plants**.

Authors: Use the dropdown feature to search for authors to be included. Authors who have previously submitted through the website may appear in the dropdown menu listing. If an author is not found, enter author information as directed on the website. The site will format the author list for you.

Body of the Abstract: The abstract should be written as a single paragraph and contain brief descriptions of the research and the methods used as well as a descriptive summary of the results obtained. **The abstract should contain meaningful information on completed research.** Abstracts containing statements such as “results will be presented” may result in rejection of the paper. Abstracts can be entered by using common toolbar menus on the website or pasting text constructed in common word processing packages. Specialized symbols might not view correctly in the abstract system but some may be entered using the toolbars on the abstract website.

Abbreviations: Use abbreviations as shown in the *CBE Style Manual*, 6th Edition, American Institute of Biological Sciences, Washington D.C., and as commonly used in the *Journal of Weed Science*. Abbreviations for weeds cannot be used. View a recent volume of the proceedings for accepted

abbreviations. Do not place a period after the abbreviation unless omission would cause confusion. Abbreviations not shown in the *Style Manual* should be introduced in parentheses immediately after the first use in the text.

Numbers: Use Arabic numerals for numbers with two or more digits and for measurements of time, weight, and degrees, except when the number is the first word of a sentence. Spell out numbers less than 10 or when they are the first word of a sentence, except when they constitute a series in which one number has two or more digits. Write 10 by 20 rather than 10 x 20 and 1 to 5 rather than 1-5.

Units: Either English or SI (metric) units are acceptable. However, do not mix English and SI units in the abstract or presentation.

Plant names: The Proceedings will contain a subject index; therefore, authors must identify the plants in their abstracts on the abstract submission form so the proceedings index can be compiled accordingly. Weeds can be appropriately identified in the abstract by using only the WSSA-accepted common names (<http://wssa.net/weed/composite-list-of-weeds/>). Listing the Latin binomial for these plants is not necessary. If a plant name is not in the Composite List of Weeds, include the Latin binomial plus authority in parentheses after the common name at the first mention.

Herbicide names: The proceedings will contain a subject index that includes common and coded herbicide names with corresponding chemical names. Authors must identify the herbicides mentioned in the abstract on the on-line form to be indexed correctly. Usually, only common names or code numbers will appear in the printed abstract, but the authors must communicate to the Editor on the abstract submission form the identity of the herbicides. **Herbicide names with WSSA-approved common names are to be identified by common name** (<http://wssa.net/weed/herbicides/>). Other herbicides must be identified by giving the code number followed by the chemical name in parentheses, if the chemical name is known. Do not use abbreviations for common names or code numbers of herbicides.

Herbicide rates: Express rates as ai (active ingredient) or ae (acid equivalent), whichever applies, not as formulated material. It is appropriate to mention the specific ester or salt of an herbicide utilized in the research for clarity purposes. **Express rates as a decimal;** do not use fractions (0.5, not 1/2). **Place a zero to the left of the decimal** (0.5, not .5) and do not add terminal zeros (0.5, not 0.50; 1, not 1.0).

Approval: If your agency or institution requires official approval for this type of publication, you are responsible for obtaining such approval. Remember, to maintain the quality of the Proceedings that has been established over the years, all authors must follow these guidelines. Submitted abstracts that do not conform to this format requirement will not be published.

ABSTRACT EXAMPLE

Seedling alfalfa requires effective broad-spectrum weed control for successful establishment; however, few herbicides are registered for postemergence broadleaf weed control. Since bromoxynil was recently

labeled for broadleaf weed control in seedling alfalfa, field trials were conducted at the Research and Extension Center, Torrington, Wyoming for 2 yr to evaluate weed control and alfalfa tolerance with bromoxynil, alone and in combination with other herbicides. Common lambsquarters, kochia, wild buckwheat and Russian thistle weed control was excellent (>95%) at the 0.38 lb ai/A rate. Growth chamber experiments were initiated in 1988 and 1989 to evaluate the influence of temperature on bromoxynil phytotoxicity to seedling alfalfa. Two alfalfa varieties (Apollo II and Ranger) were treated with five rates of bromoxynil (0.25 to 2 lb ai/A) at three temperatures (50, 70, and 90 F). Alfalfa injury with bromoxynil increased as temperature increased, regardless of variety or rate. The greatest phytotoxicity occurred at 90 F, with injury ranging from 15 to 67% at the 0.25 and 2 lb ai/A rates, respectively. Alfalfa dry weight reductions (as a percentage of the untreated check) showed similar trends. (Published with the approval of the Wyoming Agricultural Experiment Station).

GUIDELINES FOR THE PREPARATION OF POSTERS

Each poster must fit within **48 inches by 48 inches** of display board space utilizing our traditional easels and boards. There will be no exception to this rule as display board surface must be shared with another poster. Authors should use their imagination and initiative in preparing components of the poster for ease of transport, assembly, and presentation. Text, graphs, and tables contained on the poster should be easily read from a distance of 6 feet. Titles and headings should be large and readable from a greater distance. Electrical connections, telephone lines, computer connections, video equipment (VCR and video monitor), or other special equipment for posters will not be provided or supported. **All posters must be set up on Monday evening prior to the Tuesday morning poster session, and remain on display until after the end of sessions on Wednesday afternoon. Posters must be removed from display by Wednesday evening.**

GUIDELINES FOR PREPARATION OF ORAL PRESENTATIONS

Viewing media: All oral presentations for the 2017 meeting will be made by using LCD projection equipment.

Presentations must be created in PowerPoint for MS Windows for optimum compatibility with session computers. Computers and projectors will be provided by the project chairs. Specific versions of PowerPoint on each session's computer will be distributed so that files can be saved to appropriate version. This is intended to limit incompatibilities. The presentation should be saved as a PowerPoint Show file (.PPS file). Limit the size of your presentation to less than 10 MB. No audio clips or sounds will be allowed and all pictures must be compressed. Video clips and animation are discouraged. Inform the project chair at the time the presentation is submitted if you need to use a video clip. Limit fonts used in presentations to basic fonts such as Times, Arial, Courier, or Tahoma. Project chairs and computer operators are not responsible for changes in fonts, bullets, and other formatting at the time of presentation. Last minute editing is strongly discouraged. Use up-to-date virus protection software to avoid infecting the computers provided by the project chairs.

Submission of Presentations: All presentations are to be uploaded to the Title/Abstract website by March 3, 2017. If submission by this time is not possible, it is the responsibility of the author/presenter to contact the project chair and make arrangements to have the presentation uploaded onto the session computer. Only as a last resort are they to be submitted directly to the Project Chair.