



You're Invited

The AADSM Annual Meeting highlights advances in clinical practice and scientific research for those who treat sleep-disordered breathing, including obstructive sleep apnea and snoring. Submit an abstract or case report to share your knowledge and address the latest research, challenges, practices and trends in the dental sleep medicine profession directly!

This year, the annual meeting will be offered virtually **and** in-person. Hosting a hybrid event allows us to accommodate a larger and more diverse community during this unique time. Those who are unable to travel for any reason will have the opportunity to participate and engage in the annual meeting virtually and those ready to travel have the opportunity to join us in Chicago.

The AADSM will continue to monitor the COVID-19 pandemic to ensure the safety of those who attend in person. State and local guidance in place in April 2021 will dictate how many attendees we can welcome in Chicago. For now, be sure to mark your calendars for the 2021 meeting!

Why Submit?

Network: Discuss your findings and practice methods with expert dental sleep medicine clinicians and researchers from around the globe.

Exposure: Research presented will be considered for ongoing public relations initiatives and, if selected, could be touted to top influential media across the country, leading dentistry and sleep-related journals and magazines, and on Facebook and Twitter.

Influence: The success of this meeting is attributed to its blend of best clinical practices and most current research. This unique meeting is only possible with the submission of high-quality abstracts from individuals practicing in the field of dental sleep medicine.

Publish: Accepted abstracts and case reports will be published in an issue of the AADSM's official publication, *Journal of Dental Sleep Medicine*.

Abstract Awards: There are several awards provided for the 2021 AADSM Annual Meeting – submitting an abstract is your first step towards consideration for one of these prestigious awards.

NEW Virtual Poster Hall: Virtual attendees will have the opportunity to share their research in an online poster hall. Poster presentations will be pre-recorded ahead of the conference.

Research Abstracts and Case Reports

Deadline: December 1, 2020

The AADSM solicits research abstracts and case reports dedicated to enhancing dental sleep medicine. Topics may include, but are not limited to: clinical practice related to oral appliance therapy in adults and children, maxillomandibular advancement and upper airway surgeries, analysis of the upper airway, craniofacial and developmental characteristics related to sleep disorders, sleep bruxism, gastroesophageal reflux, oral dryness/xerostomia, hypersalivation and orofacial pain associated with sleep disorders.

Eligibility

All healthcare professionals and others conducting research in dental sleep medicine may submit research abstracts/case reports. An individual may be the first author on a maximum of two research abstracts /case reports; there is no limit on co-authorship. To comply with ADA CERP guidelines, each author will be required to disclose any significant relationships with commercial interests by completing a conflict of interest disclosure form that can be found on the AADSM website at aadsm.org/abstracts. By submitting a research abstract/case report, all authors attest that the abstract has not been previously submitted or published elsewhere (with the exception of abstracts for articles that are under review with JDSM at the time of submission) and transfers, assigns, or otherwise conveys all copyright ownership, including all rights incidental thereto, exclusively to the American Academy of Dental Sleep Medicine.

Format

Abstracts

Research abstracts may not exceed 500 words and are limited to ten authors per abstract. Abstracts must be formatted in Microsoft Word and conform to the following outline:

- Title
- Authors and Institutions
- Introduction
- Methods
- Results
- Conclusions
- Support

Case Reports

Case reports may not exceed 500 words and are limited to ten authors per submission. Case reports must be formatted in Microsoft Word and conform to the following outline:

- Title
- Authors and Institutions
- Introduction
- Report of case
- Discussion
- Support

References, tables, figures or any other graphics are not permitted. Brand names may not be used in titles and are limited to two references within the submission body.

*Abstracts and case reports will be reviewed for completeness. Any missing or erroneous elements must be submitted **within 24 hours** of request by AADSM staff – otherwise, the abstract will be marked as incomplete and rejected.*

Download Forms

To submit an abstract or case report, visit aadsm.org/abstracts by no later than December 1, 2020.

Review

All submissions are blind peer-reviewed for acceptance by the AADSM Scientific Committee. Research abstracts will not be accepted if they fail to reflect acceptable scientific methodology such as: ethical approval (if appropriate), the data or statistical analyses do not justify the conclusions, the abstract lacks sufficient scientific or clinical merit, or no data are included.

The following criteria will be used to score **research abstracts**:

- The research project is applicable to dental sleep medicine.
- The research project is innovative and novel.
- The submission is not closely related to another submission with the same authors.
- The abstracts must be in English with proper grammar.
- The abstract is organized using the headings **introduction, methods, results, conclusions and support**.
- The research problem is well-defined, and its scientific importance is clear.
- The research methods are clearly outlined.
- The data and analysis are adequate to evaluate the objectives. The results are adequate and coherent.
- The conclusions are well-founded based on the methods used, the results of the study, and previously published literature.
- The conclusions are adequately qualified (i.e. the conclusions have appropriate limitations as implied by author).
- The creativity and originality of the paper.

The following criteria will be used to score **case reports**:

- The topic is applicable to dental sleep medicine.
- The research project is innovative and novel.
- The submission is not closely related to another submission with the same authors.
- The submission must be in English with proper grammar.
- The submission is organized using the headings: **introduction, report of case, discussion and support**.
- The discussion is adequately qualified and well-founded based on the report of the case and previously published literature.
- The creativity and originality of the case.

The first author will receive notice of acceptance by mid-February 2021. Accepted research abstracts will be published and copyrighted in an issue of the AADSM's *Journal of Dental Sleep Medicine*.

Virtual Poster Hall and Presentations

All abstracts/case reports are submitted for virtual poster hall presentations. Attendees will be able to indicate whether they wish to *additionally* present their poster in person. In-person presenters must register for the in-person 2021 AADSM Annual Meeting. Those presenting only virtually must register for the virtual meeting. Registration for the meeting opens in January 2021 at aadsm.org.

**Note that in-person attendance will be subject to state and federal guidelines on gatherings. The AADSM reserves the right to cancel/limit any in-person activities in compliance with these guidelines and/or to protect the safety of attendees.*

Submission of an abstract/case report constitutes the commitment of at least one author to present the submission as accepted, regardless of presentation type or day/time assigned at the virtual poster hall and optional in-person meeting. Those whose abstracts are accepted will be required to send in their digital poster ahead of the conference and a recording of a 5-minute PowerPoint presentation (**deadline March 23, 2021**). Additionally, at least one author must be available to attend a virtual Q&A session (time TBD).

Those who choose to attend the in-person meeting will be required to present a physical poster and have at least one author available during the in-person poster hall (this is in addition to the mandatory attendance at the virtual poster hall). Details regarding formatting will be sent to those whose posters are accepted.

Expenses associated with the preparation, submission, and presentation are the responsibility of the author/presenter.

Awards for Abstracts

Awards for abstracts include up to three (3) Student Research Awards and up to three (3) Clinical Research Awards. The number of awards granted each year is at the discretion of the AADSM Board of Directors. The Student Research Awards are designated for trainees conducting research in dental sleep medicine. The Clinical Research Awards will be presented to clinicians, researchers or academicians who do research in dental sleep medicine.

Authors of an abstract selected to receive an award are invited to give an oral presentation in addition to their poster presentation. Oral presentations consist of a 6-minute presentation followed by 2 minutes for questions and answers. The first author or any co-author may give the oral presentation. A presentation is required to receive the award. In addition to those abstracts that receive awards, the Scientific Committee may identify other high scoring submissions for oral presentations.

A research abstract will be considered for an award if the first (corresponding) author fulfills the eligibility criteria as outlined below and requests consideration on the abstract application form. **As award funding is primarily to facilitate awardee travel to the annual meeting, those who are unable to attend the in-person meeting will forfeit any award monies. Case Report submissions will not be considered for awards.**

Student Research Award Eligibility

Qualified candidates must:

- Be enrolled full-time in an accredited predoctoral program (DDS, DMD, MD, DO or PhD programs) or an accredited postdoctoral fellowship or residency.
- To be eligible for a student award, the applicant must be an AADSM student member or must join at the time of submission (AADSM student membership is free).

Entries will not be accepted from individuals who have previously received this award more than twice as a student. Submissions must not be closely related to another submission with the same co-authors.

Clinical Research Award Eligibility

Qualified candidates must:

- Be a dentist, physician, healthcare professional or other professional/academic conducting research in dental sleep medicine (e.g. academic researcher, professor); and
- Not be eligible for a student award.