



Call for Abstracts and Case Reports

DEADLINE TO SUBMIT: JANUARY 12, 2026*

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 with colleagues!

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 and on social media.

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 and case reports from individuals practicing in the field of dental sleep medicine.

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

Abstract and Case Report Awards: Submitting an abstract is your first step towards consideration for a 2026 Annual Meeting award.



NEW for 2026: We are now offering an award for the top case report!

**Note about Late-Breaking Abstracts*

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Research Abstracts and Case Reports

Deadline: January 12, 2026

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 (Any funding or non-monetary support received for the study)

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 (Any funding or non-monetary support received for the study)

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 January 12, 2026.

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 abstract is written 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 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 is written 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 first author will receive notice of acceptance by March 2026. Accepted research abstracts will be published and copyrighted in an issue of the AADSM's *Journal of Dental Sleep Medicine*.

Presentations

Abstract presenters must register for the 2026 AADSM Annual Meeting. Registration for the meeting opens in mid-January 2026 at aadsm.org.

Submission of an abstract constitutes the commitment of at least one author to present the abstract as accepted, regardless of presentation type or day/time assigned. Expenses associated with the preparation, submission, and presentation of an abstract are the responsibility of the author/presenter.

Posters

All research abstracts are submitted for poster presentations. Posters should be clear and organized for viewing, measuring **no larger than 4' x 4'**. Presenters are encouraged to display posters for the

duration of the meeting as described in the abstract acceptance letter. Minimally, posters must be put up by 8:00am on the day of the presentation and remain on display until 6:00pm. The presenting author of the poster will be assigned a time slot during which he/she is expected to be physically present at the poster display to answer questions. Use of laptops or distribution of literature of any kind that promotes a commercial company or product during poster presentations are strictly prohibited. The AADSM reserves the right to prohibit distribution of any such handouts it deems to be inappropriate.

Awards for Abstracts/Case Reports



NEW for 2026: We are now offering an award for the top case report!

Awards for abstracts include up to three (3) Student Research Awards, up to three (3) Clinical Research Awards, and up to one (1) Case Report. The number of awards granted each year is at the discretion of the AADSM Board of Directors.

Authors of an abstract or case report selected to receive an award are invited to give an oral presentation in addition to their poster presentation. Oral presentations consist of an approximately 5-minute presentation followed by 2 minutes for questions and answers. The first author or any co-author may give the oral presentation. An in-person presentation is required to receive the award. In addition to those abstracts and case reports that receive awards, the Scientific Committee may identify other high scoring submissions for oral presentations.

A research abstract or case report will be considered for an award if the first (corresponding) author fulfills the eligibility criteria as outlined below and requests consideration on the submission form. ***As award funding is primarily to facilitate awardee travel to the annual meeting, those who are unable to attend the meeting in person will forfeit any award monies.***

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.
- Be an AADSM student member or must join at the time of submission (AADSM student membership is free).
- ***Not be employed by or owner of any industry or corporation relating to dental sleep medicine (excluding a dental practice).***

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);
- Not be eligible for a student award; and
- ***Not be employed by or owner of any industry or corporation relating to dental sleep medicine (excluding a dental practice).***

Case Report Award Eligibility

Qualified candidates must:

- Be a dentist, physician, healthcare professional or other professional/academic conducting research or practicing in dental sleep medicine, OR
- Be enrolled full-time in an accredited predoctoral program (DDS, DMD, MD, DO or PhD programs) or an accredited postdoctoral fellowship or residency and an AADSM student member or must join at the time of submission (AADSM student membership is free); and
- ***Not be employed by or owner of any industry or corporation relating to dental sleep medicine (excluding a dental practice).***

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