Call for Late-Breaking Original Research Abstracts Submission Deadline: 11:59 PM CDT on May 22, 2015

Late-Breaking Abstracts will again be part of the Joint Annual Meeting (JAM) this year.

The 2015 JAM Program Committee is calling for late-breaking abstracts of original research that highlight a broad spectrum of work, including cutting-edge, high-tech research that was completed recently and is important to the species or discipline.

Up to eight abstracts will be accepted from those submitted for the session. The authors of these abstracts will present their data at the Late-Breaking Abstract Session from 3:00 to 5:00 pm on Sunday, July 12. Authors of accepted abstracts are required to prepare both an oral and a poster presentation for this session. Oral presentations will include the speaker introduction, presentation, and question time in the usual 15-minute time slot. Posters of these presentations must be posted by 2:00 pm on Sunday (before the start of the oral session) and will remain on display for the duration of the meeting. This session is scheduled early in the program to allow networking with the presenting scientists and to avoid subject-matter conflicts.

Late-Breaking Abstracts can be submitted between April 16 and midnight on May 22 at http://www.jtmtg.org/2015/call.asp. The submitter should follow the usual guidelines for style and form and must include a justification (<500 characters) of why the abstract is important and why it should be included in the late-breaking session. Preference will be given to material that could not have been submitted as a normal JAM abstract; for example, because the hypothesis is very new, the experiment had not been completed by the earlier deadline, or the technology was not available. Abstract authors will be notified of acceptance by June 12, 2015.

The abstracts (and justifications) will be evaluated by a program committee that includes ADSA and ASAS members. Quality of research methods, importance to the field, and uniqueness and timeliness of the research are essential attributes of a late-breaking abstract. Progress reports of incomplete research or abstracts with incomplete analysis will not be considered. All abstracts are required to conform to the <u>JAM Abstract Quality Standards</u>. The decisions of the Late-Breaking Abstract Committee are final.