

Abstract Submission Guidelines

Abstract Submission Deadline – 11pm on Friday 13th January 2023

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GUIDELINES FOR ABSTRACT SUBMISSION:

By submitting an abstract, you agree to the following:

- a. The abstract is scientifically sound and ethically approved.
- b. The abstract is not an advertisement, nor contains anything obscene, defamatory, libelous, unlawful or in any way actionable.
- c. The abstract will be included in the programme book and will be made available on the Society's website.
- d. All authors have seen and approved the abstract as submitted.
- e. The work has not previously been accepted for publication.
- f. If your abstract is accepted, you must agree to register for BTS Congress 2023 and present your research as a poster or oral presentation.

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<https://execbs.eventsair.com/bts-annual-congress-2023/btsabssub2023>

You are allowed a maximum number of 250 words in the abstract body. This does not include the title which can be up to 50 words (including spaces and punctuation).

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It is best to type your abstract straight into the online submission form, or alternatively paste the text from a word-processed document. Please use the symbol font for special characters. You can use the buttons to add formatting.

The 'Full title' should be presented sentence case (**not in title case or block capitals**), i.e. only the first letter of the title or appropriate terms such as abbreviations or proper nouns should be upper case.

Once you click the 'submit' button, the online submission page will change to a submission confirmation page and you will immediately receive a confirmation email and log in details. If you do not receive this, please email meetings@thebts.org

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Category:

You will be asked to choose the relevant category for your abstract.

Authors and Affiliations:

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Tables, Figures and References:

Tables, figures and references can be included with your abstract and should be uploaded as an attachment to the submission. A maximum of one file for each can be uploaded. Please do not include these within the abstract body.

Submitting your Abstract:

If all required abstract submission fields have been completed, you will have the option to submit your abstract at the bottom of the page. If there are any remaining fields or sections to complete you will only have the option to save your submission as a draft until they are completed.

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Instructions on the timings and duration of oral presentations and the format of posters will be given in the result correspondence which will be issued following review by the HCC-UK Committee. If an abstract cannot be presented at the Meeting, the secretariat must be notified in writing ahead of the Meeting to avoid compromise to the professionalism of the meeting.

Abstract selection will be the responsibility of the Scientific Sub-Committee and the submitting author of each abstract will be contacted week commencing **28th February 2023** to the email address given on the submission (unless a different email address is provided).

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[BTS Abstract Selection Policy](#)

A sample abstract is given below:

Investigation of the effect of a panel of model hepatotoxins on the Nrf2-Keap1 defense response pathway in CD-1 mice.

The Keap1-Nrf2-ARE signaling pathway is an important regulator of the mammalian defense system to enable detoxification of foreign chemicals. We have investigated, *in vivo*, the ability of four murine hepatotoxins, paracetamol (APAP), bromobenzene (BB), carbon tetrachloride (CCl₄) and furosemide (FS) to deplete hepatic glutathione (GSH) and related this to induction of hepatic Nrf2 protein nuclear translocation. Additionally, we studied whether hepatic Nrf2 nuclear translocation is a general response during early acute hepatic chemical stress *in vivo*.

Male CD-1 mice were administered APAP (3.5mmol/kg), FS (1.21mmol/kg), BB (4.8mmol/kg) and CCl₄ (1mmol/kg) for 1, 5 and 24h, via intraperitoneal dosing in saline or corn oil vehicle. Each compound elicited significant serum alanine aminotransferase (ALT) increases after 24h (ALT U/L: APAP, 3036+/-1462; BB, 5308+/-2210; CCl₄, 5089+/-1665; FS, 2301+/-1053), accompanied by centrilobular damage assessed by histopathology. Significant GSH depletion was seen with APAP (9.6+/-1.7% of control levels) and BB (52.8+/-6.2% of control levels) 1h after administration, but not with FS and CCl₄. Western Blot analysis revealed increases in nuclear Nrf2, 1h after administration of BB (209+/-10% control), CCl₄ (146+/-3% control) and FS (254+/-41% control), however this was significantly lower than the levels observed in the APAP- treated mice (462+/-36% control).

We have demonstrated that the hepatotoxins BB, CCl₄ and FS can induce a significant increase in Nrf2 accumulation in hepatic nuclei. This was associated with modest changes in hepatic GSH and delayed development of toxicity.