

Judging Criteria and Valuation for Initial E-Poster Evaluation and Live E-Poster Judging

Initial E-Poster Evaluation

Overview: The Initial E-Poster will be evaluated, in the order of:

1. Meeting submission criteria (**E-Poster Submission Form, Identified E-Poster, and De-identified E-Poster**; all sent in one email from the PD or Delegated Program Representative),
2. Correct and appropriate chosen Poster Category (**Original Scientific Research, Medically Challenging Anesthesia Case Study, or Current Anesthesia Topic Analysis**),
3. E-Poster Initial Evaluation by the Poster Presentation Subcommittee Judging Panel. The Judging Panel consists of the Chairperson, the Judging Officers, and the Judging Members).

Initial Evaluation: The E-Poster is completely de-identified by the Poster Submission Officer who does not partake in the evaluation. The de-identified E-Poster is evaluated by the Judging Panel independently from each other.

First, the Judges Panel will assess whether the chosen Category for the E-Poster is appropriate. If the chosen Category is appropriate, then the Judging Panel will evaluate and score the E-Poster. The scores are sent independently to the Poster Submission Officer who ensures the scores are reliable/no outliers (s.d. = +/- 2 points). Any unreliably scored E-Posters are re-evaluated by the Judging Panel. If the situation reoccurs for the E-Poster, a formal meeting with the Chair and all Officers would occur to assess and analyze the E-Poster.

The highest-scoring E-Posters (Top 4-6) will be honored at the AAAA Annual Conference by presenting their E-Poster at the Live Poster Presentations for the Hopkins Poster Award.

The Judging Panel initially evaluates an E-Poster utilizing a rubric based on several criteria, each with a valuation.

Valuation: Each criterion is valued on a score from 0 to 10 with a discretionary range, as follows:

- Substandard: 0 – 1
- Good/Average: 2 – 4
- Very Good: 5 – 7
- Exceptional: 8 – 10

Criteria: Each criterion is based on researching current rubrics used in other professional healthcare organizations. The criteria used for Judging Panel, without specifically naming each criterion, consist of the following;

- Goal and Purpose
- Organization
- References and Citations
- Grammar
- Content
- Relevance to anesthesia practice
- Methodology/Study design
- Data
- Conclusions

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Live E-Poster Judging

Overview: A judging panel at the AAAA Annual Conference Poster Presentation will judge the Live poster presentations. The judging panel at the Live session will consist of guest judges and Poster Presentation Committee members. Judges will score the presenter independently. A judge may ask the Chair or Co-Chair of the Presentation Committee for clarity on specific meaning for a score range and/or criteria.

At the conclusion of the Live Poster Presentations, the Chair or Co-Chair will collect the judges score sheets. Scores for the Live Poster Presentation will be tabulated and added to the initial evaluation score of the presenter to determine their total score. The E-Poster with the highest overall score based on the initial evaluation score and the Live E-Poster score will be awarded the Hopkins Poster Award. Results will be known only to the Chair and Co-Chair until the announcement of the winner is made at the Poster Presentation Awards Ceremony by a AAAEP Member.

The overall score is based on the following calculation:

$(\text{Initial Evaluation Score} \times 0.75) + (\text{Live E-Poster Score} \times 0.25) = \text{Overall Score.}$

The Judging Panel judges live poster presentations utilizing a rubric based on several criteria, each with a valuation.

Valuation: Each criterion is valued on a score from 0 to 4 without a discretionary range as follows:

- Substandard: 1
- Good/Average: 2
- Very Good: 3
- Exceptional: 4

NOTE: This year a time limit score was adopted by the Poster Presentation Committee as follows:

Presentation Time exceeds the time limit = a 5% deduction from the Live E-Poster Score.

Criteria: Each criterion is based on researching current rubrics used in other professional healthcare organizations. The criteria used for Judging Panel, without specifically naming each criterion, consist of the following;

- Objectives/Goals
- Organization
- Knowledge of the Subject
- Conclusions
- Presentation skills
- Relevance to anesthesia practice
- Conclusions
- Visual clarity

NOTE: The Poster Presentation Committee meets annually to discuss any improvements for each rubric. Any changes to a rubric that would affect the submission process, evaluation process, scoring process, valuations, or criteria will be disclosed in an appropriate period.