

Canadian Sleep Society

Student and Technologist Abstract Competition, 2012

(en Français)

Competition Rules

- The competition is open to students (pre-doctoral only) and technologists who are members of the CSS at the time of submission. The deadline for submission is **February 24th, 2012**.
- A candidate must be first author on the submitted abstract. See abstract submission guidelines below.
- One student abstract and one technologist abstract will be selected by the Selection Committee. In case of a tie in either category, two prizes may be awarded. If no scientifically acceptable entries are received in one category (Student or Technologist), a second prize will be given in the other category, if appropriate.
- EACH RECIPIENT WILL RECEIVE \$300 AND A TWO-YEAR MEMBERSHIP TO THE CSS.
- Winners will be notified by April 16th, 2012. Awards will be presented at the CSS Annual General Meeting which will be held during the conference.

Good luck to all!

Submission Guidelines

- **Deadline: February 24th, 2012**. See the competition rules above.
- Files should be sent as MS Word compatible files (i.e., saved in DOC, RTF, or TXT format) attached to an email message.
- Maximum size: 1 portrait-oriented page (21.59 cm x 27.74 cm [8 1/2 x 11 inches]), 2.5 cm (1 inch) margins, 12-point character set. The abstract body (introduction, methods, results, conclusions) is limited to 300 words (same as APSS abstract submissions). The remainder of a single page should include the Title, Authors and Institutions and can include references, figures or tables. Do not use headers or footnotes. Abstracts must be in English.
- Entries should include **two files**:
 - one with the full copy of the abstract as indicated above;
 - the second file “anonymized” should include only the title, text and

figures/tables/references (if included), but be stripped of authors' names, affiliations, and acknowledgments.

• Anonymized abstracts will be evaluated by a Selection Committee based on the following features:

- 1) Originality and creativity of the study.
- 2) Adequacy of the literature review or background.
- 3) Clarity of the description of the methods.
- 4) Appropriateness of experimental design and analysis.
- 5) Quality of the discussion and conclusions.

IMPORTANT

To be considered for an award, two abstracts (the complete and anonymized version) should be submitted by email, along with the first author's contact information, no later than midnight, **February 24th, 2012**. Send submissions by email to Dr. Célyne Bastien (vpresearch@canadiansleepsociety.com) with "CSS Abstract Contest 2012" in the subject heading line.
