Dear Young Researcher/Investigator,

Dear colleague,

We would like to invite you to submit an abstract for the **ECMT 2023 - *European Congress Manual Therapy***.

The 10ᵗʰ edition of this congress will take place **September 15-16, 2023** at the University of Ghent, UFO, Belgium.

The authors of the best 5 abstracts will be offered an oral forum during the 'Young investigator session' on Friday. This oral presentation will last 5 minutes and will be followed immediately by questions from the audience. The other authors will be given the chance to host their poster during lunchtime and the coffeebreaks (on Friday in the afternoon and on Saturday in the morning). Posters can be shown on posterstands during the whole congress.

Since this congress will be **'a window to the world of manual therapy'**, the topic of the presentations/posters should at least be **related to the domain of manual therapy** (*detailed guideline below*).

Your abstract must be send to matheracongres@gmail.com by **Monday July 31, 2023** to enable the Scientific Program Committee and reviewers to inform you on acceptance, at last during the second half of August 2023.

Submission of your poster acknowledges your acceptance for the abstract to be published in the digital abstract book. Upon submitting your poster abstract, you will receive a "Confirmation of submission", indicating that your abstract has successfully been submitted.

The Scientific Program Committee of **ECMT 2023 - *European Congress Manual Therapy*** will review the poster abstracts and information regarding acceptance, and scheduling will be sent to the corresponding author.

Only accepted abstracts of authors who have paid their registration fees by **Thursday August 31, 2023** will be scheduled for presentation and included in the official program.

The best abstract/poster will be rewarded: **1ᵗʰ price (1250€) |2ⁿᵈ price (1000€) | 3ʳᵈ price (750€)**.

Prerequisite to compete: you are a (PhD-) student or max 3 years postdoc.

Follow the website, ECMT 2023 – willbethere.be, for updates in the program.

On behalf of the Scientific Program Committee and the organization of ECMT 2023 - European Congress Manual Therapy

Abstract Submission Guidelines

INTRODUCTION

The Scientific Program Committee is pleased to invite you to submit abstracts for Poster presentation at the ECMT 2023 - European Congress Manual Therapy.

Topic of the posters should at least be affiliated to the domain of manual therapy in the first place.

Deadline for the submission of abstracts is **Monday July 31, 2023**. Abstracts received after the deadline will not be accepted.

Poster presentation is in A0-format

Posterstands are 1 meter by 1 meter. You bring your own material to fasten your poster (adhesive tape, pushpin, …).

The presenting author is required to ensure that all co-authors are aware of the content of the abstract before submission. Submission implies that the corresponding author has received the consent from co-authors.

Presenting authors of accepted abstracts must be registered participants. Registration must be received by **Thursday August 31, 2023** to ensure inclusion of the abstract in the congress publications.

PREPARATION INSTRUCTIONS

Abstracts in Word-format must be submitted in English with accurate grammar and spelling of a quality suitable for publication.

Before you begin, please prepare the following information:

Presenting author's contact details
Email address
Full postal address
Telephone and fax numbers

Author and co-authors' details
Full name (first name(s) and family name(s).
Affiliation details: department, institution / hospital, city, state (if relevant), country

Abstract title - in UPPER CASE

Abstract text – limited to 300 words

Abstracts should be structured as shown below:
Background and aims
Methods
Results
Conclusions

Abstracts that are not conforming to this structure will be rejected.

Use only standard abbreviations. Place special or unusual abbreviations, in parentheses, after the full word appears the first time.

Tables – A maximum of 3 tables of up to 10 rows x 10 columns can be included per abstract.

Graphs and images – Pictures/Graphs: Authors can include a maximum of 3 Pictures/graphs.