

All submitted abstracts will be scored in the following sections:

1. Clarity and Organization

- The abstract is well organized and easy to follow
- Writing is clear, concise, and free of major grammatical errors
- Content flows logically between sections

2. Background and Significance

- The research question or problem is clearly stated
- The importance or relevance of the work to medicine, osteopathic practice, or healthcare is explained
- Sufficient context is provided for understanding the study

3. Methods / Approach

- The study design, methods, or approach are clearly described
- Methods are appropriate for the stated research question
- For projects in progress, planned methods are clearly outlined

4. Results and Conclusions

- Results (or anticipated results) are clearly summarized
- Conclusions are supported by the data or analysis presented
- The abstract avoids overstating conclusions

5. Originality and Impact

- The work demonstrates originality, innovation, or scholarly contribution
- The potential impact on science, education, clinical care, or population health is evident

Additional Considerations

- Abstracts should adhere to a **1 page limit** and may include projects completed or ongoing
- Relevance to osteopathic principles is encouraged but not required