



FINAL ANNOUNCEMENT

DEPARTMENT OF PAEDIATRICS AND CHILD HEALTH (DPCH) ANNUAL RESEARCH DAY 2024

Tue, 29th October and Wed, 30th October
(Tuesday afternoon and full day Wednesday)

Venue: In-person: D3 Lecture Theatre, D Floor, Red Cross War Memorial Children's Hospital

Abstract EXTENDED deadline: Friday, 23 August 2024

Please complete abstract submission form (final page of document)

Identify if for Oral or Poster presentation (see next page for principles used in selecting Oral presentations, if oversubscribed).

Only 1 ORAL presentation per researcher / presenter will be allowed. Principal investigators to prioritise their abstracts if several are submitted.

The author or a co-author MUST be available to present *in person* on Research Day

Applicants for oral presentation to provide in their abstract submission names of alternate speakers should they no longer be able to present themselves.

Abstracts to be no longer than 1x A4 page, single spaced, in 11 point, Calibri font.

Title to be in **bold type** with the presenting author's name underlined.

Abstracts should be structured using the following headings:

Objective: Precise statement of the question addressed.

Methods: Brief description of the methods used, including data sources, selection procedures, interventions, and methods of analyses

Results: Description of what was found, with major data (if appropriate).

Conclusions: Brief statement of what conclusions can be drawn from the results, avoiding over-generalisation.

Research reporting should be consistent with EQUATOR Network guidelines ([About us | EQUATOR Network \(equator-network.org\)](#)). For example, abstracts for observational research should comply with STROBE conference abstract checklist ([STROBE-checklist-conference-abstract-DRAFT \(3\).pdf](#)). Supervisors to ensure that students are familiar with appropriate reporting guidelines.

Ethics approval number: proof of ethics approval is required for all primary research and case reports

Identify if this is new research or whether this research has been presented (even in part) at previous research days (add date).

This event will be recorded and made available online for 90 days.

Please submit abstracts to Geanine Hopley via email: geanine.hopley@uct.ac.za (cc gail.landiers@uct.ac.za)

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Criteria for selection for oral presentations

The following principles will guide the selection of applications:

The importance and quality of the research

Each individual will be limited to one personal Oral presentation.

Junior presenters and those who have received DPCH research award funding will receive preferential consideration.

If possible, at least one presentation will be included from each unit.

Prize for the Best Junior Researcher:

There will be a prize for the best Oral presentation by a junior researcher whose primary affiliation is to the Department of Paediatrics & Child Health. The junior researcher must have made a substantial contribution to the work presented.

To qualify, junior researchers need to:

1. identify themselves as such when submitting the abstract;
2. describe their contribution to the research presented;
3. provide proof of current registration/affiliation within the Department of Paediatrics and Child Health (if applicant is a student, an email confirmation from the supervisor will be accepted);
4. provide proof of UCT ethics approval

As a general guideline, **junior researchers** are researchers **not yet obtained a masters degree**, or who are presenting **research done as part of masters degree**

“Dyssell Fund” Registrar Research Award:

There will be a prize of R10 000 for the best Oral presentation by a researcher who is currently a **junior registrar** from the Department of Paediatrics and Child Health, or **was a junior registrar at the time that the research was done**. This award is intended to support the individual's personal academic development, including conference presentation.

To qualify, **junior registrars** need to:

1. identify themselves as such when submitting the abstract;
2. provide proof of registration within the Department of Paediatrics and Child Health (an email confirmation from supervisor will be accepted);
3. describe their contribution to the research presented;
4. provide proof of UCT ethics approval

The conditions of the award are that:

1. the recipient will within 1 month of receiving the award notify the departmental research committee of how the award is likely to be used (e.g. “congress attendance”);
2. if the award is not used within 24 months of receipt, it will need to be returned to the departmental research committee.

“Best Overall Presentation” Research Award:

There will be a prize of R10 000 for the best Oral presentation by anyone whose primary affiliation is to the Department of Paediatrics & Child Health, **registered with the University of Cape Town for any post-graduate degree** in any category (or **within 3 years of obtaining their degree**). This award is intended to support the individual's personal academic development, including conference presentation.

To qualify, researchers need to:

1. identify themselves as being registered for a post-graduate degree (if current) when submitting the abstract, specifying which degree;
2. provide proof of registration within the Department of Paediatrics and Child Health (if current – an email confirmation from supervisor will be accepted);
3. describe their contribution to the research presented;
4. provide proof of UCT ethics approval

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2. if the award is not used within 24 months of receipt, it will need to be returned to the departmental research committee.

Prize for the Best Poster Presentation:

There will be a prize for the best Poster presentation, where the first author on the poster has their primary affiliation to the Department of Paediatrics & Child Health.

To qualify, researchers need to:

1. describe their contribution to the research presented;
2. provide proof of UCT ethics approval (if applicant is a student, an email confirmation from supervisor will be accepted)

ABSTRACT SUBMISSION FORM

Send form together with abstract to geanine.hopley@uct.ac.za (and cc gail.landiers@uct.ac.za) by **Friday, 23 August 2024** Refer to Page 1 – 2 of this document for guidelines re abstract formatting.

Presenter's Surname	Click or tap here to enter text.
Presenter's First Name	Click or tap here to enter text.
Master's Degree	Choose an item.
Presenting research done as part of Master's Degree	Choose an item.
Department of Paediatrics & Child Health (DPCH) Junior Registrar at the time of doing the research?	Choose an item.
Highest degree level	Click or tap here to enter text.
Year Obtained	Click or tap here to enter text.
If student, supervisor has approved the abstract	Choose an item.
If student, supervisor's full name (Name and Surname)	Click or tap here to enter text.
If student, supervisor's email address	Click or tap here to enter text.
Presenter's primary affiliation is to the Department of Paediatrics & Child Health, UCT (DPCH)	Choose an item.
If yes, please describe how (Please attach proof of registration if student – an email confirmation from supervisor will be accepted)	Click or tap here to enter text.
Presenter's institution	Click or tap here to enter text.
Presenter's department	Click or tap here to enter text.
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Presenter's contact number	Click or tap here to enter text.
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Alternate Presenter's email address	Click or tap here to enter text.
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Preferred presentation format	Choose an item.
If preferred choice unavailable, will accept alternative	Choose an item.
This is primary research	Choose an item.
Ethics approval has been obtained (If yes, please attach ethics approval letter)	Choose an item.
If ethics approval not applicable, please state why	Click or tap here to enter text.
Presenter's description of their contribution to the research being presented	Click or tap here to enter text.