**ABSTRACT TEMPLATE FOR 2020 MIDWEST REGIONAL ASB MEETING**

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**INTRODUCTION**

This template details the formatting requirements that must be followed for abstract submissions. All abstracts for the 2020 Midwest Regional American Society of Biomechanics (ASB) meeting must be submitted through the following link:

 <https://csuengineering.formstack.com/forms/asb_2020_registration_form>.

Abstracts can be submitted from January 1, 2020 to August 10, 2020 at 11:59pm (EST). All abstracts must be submitted as PDF files.

Abstracts will be read by reviewers at Cleveland State University. The reviewers will determine if abstracts should be accepted based on their relevance to ASB’s primary discipline categories: biological sciences, exercise and sports science, health sciences, ergonomics and human factors, and engineering and applied science. All biomechanics related research is encouraged for submission! Reviewers will also recommend if an abstract should be presented as a poster presentation or podium presentation. Emails concerning acceptance and presentation format will be sent in early March.

All undergraduate and graduate students are encouraged to submit abstracts. The goal of this ASB meeting is to encourage participation in a friendly, student-focused environment! The 2020 national ASB meeting will be held in Atlanta, GA from August 4th-August 7th, 2020.

**METHODS**

In the beginning of the abstract the two-column layout will begin after the title, author affiliations, and email address. If an additional author institution needs to be added, the two-column orientation can be edited to begin a line later.

The abstract must be no longer than two 8.5 inch x 11 inch pages. Left and right margins must be set to 0.5 inches, and top and bottom margins must be set to 1.0 inches. Font must be Times New Roman, 12- point. Columns are set to the “justify” setting. This template is designed to follow these specific formatting instructions. Do not change the template formatting when writing your abstract. Abstracts that do not follow the formatting instructions may be rejected without review.

The abstract title should be in bold, capitalized letters at the top of the page. Directly below the title should be the author’s names. Subscripts indicate the authors affiliated institution. Use different subscript numbers to represent different institutions (and likewise, use the same number to represent the same institution). Add more authors as needed. The email address given should be for the corresponding author. The following sections must be included in the body of the abstract in bold, capitalized letters:

**INTRODUCTION, METHODS, RESULTS AND DISCUSSION, CONCLUSIONS, REFERENCES, ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS.**

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**RESULTS AND DISCUSSION**

Use this section to share your results and your interpretations of them. Tables and figures should be labeled. Table titles go above the table, and figure titles go below. Times New Roman 10-point font can be used for table and figure titles. Indicate the corresponding figure and table when referencing them in text. (Example): Anterior-posterior (AP) and medial-lateral (ML) center-of-pressure (COP) excursions were 14±0.7 mm and 10.2±0.85 mm, respectively (Fig. 1).



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Be sure that all figures and tables are accompanied by text. In other words, do not include figures and tables without an explanation of their contents.

**CONCLUSION**

It is crucial that abstracts are submitted on time. Abstracts must be submitted on the 2020 Midwest ASB website. Abstracts that are submitted after the deadline will be rejected without review and not considered for a presentation. Presentation types will be either podium or poster, and you may indicate your preference when submitting your abstract. You will be notified in early March of your abstract acceptance and presentation format.

Questions concerning abstract submissions, or other aspects of the 2020 Midwest ASB Conference should be directed to the 2020 Conference Chair:

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**REFERENCES**

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