Instructions for Abstract Preparation for SPR 2019

General

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Total Abstract Length – Abstracts may occupy up to the entirety of the properly formatted page. Figures and/or tables may be included, but only within the confines of the single properly formatted page. Figure or Table legends may be reduced to Calibri 10 point, but should describe the figure or table only, and not be used as a substitute for body text.

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Authors – The author list should include middle initials for those authors who have middle initials, and should be in the following format for each author: First Name Middle Initial Last Name or First Name Last Name if no middle initial present. A numerical superscript associated with similarly labelled affiliations (see below) should follow each name directly. An asterisk should follow affiliation designation for the presenting author. If multiple authors have the same affiliation, they should all utilize the same numeric affiliation destination.

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Introduction/Objectives – Briefly describe the background supporting the hypotheses that were tested. Define the hypotheses.

Methods – Briefly describe the methods used in enough detail to support conclusions based on the results. Include primary and secondary endpoints (if results will be presented and discussed for the latter) statistical approaches. Please ensure that the statistical approaches are appropriate for the study design and the results distributions (e.g. use ANOVA rather than t-tests when more than two groups, use logarithmic transformation or non-parametric statistics when data are not normally distributed).

Results – Succinctly highlight the salient results, be they positive or negative. Report on all of the primary and secondary endpoints listed in the methods.

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