



NAPAAC 2018 Bone Marrow Failure Research Symposium
The Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh/UPMC, Rangos Research Center,
4401 Penn Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15224
Wednesday, May 2nd, 2018

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

Announcing the first annual NAPAAC Bone Marrow Failure Research Symposium will be held on **Wednesday, May 2nd, 2018** in Pittsburgh, PA immediately before the 2018 ASPHO Conference.

NAPAAC investigators and the greater North American academic community (faculty, fellows, residents and students) are invited to submit abstracts to the NAPAAC Symposium Committee. Each abstract should not exceed one page (≤ 500 words; Times New Roman or Arial, font size: 11 points, including illustrations and/or tables) and should be submitted as a Microsoft Word or PDF file. Abstracts should focus on original unpublished research data relating to the field of pediatric bone marrow failure and aplastic anemia within Clinical and Basic/Translational categories. Abstract submission will be consistent with the corresponding author's agreement to attend the NAPAAC research symposium and present the submitted work.

- **All abstracts need to be submitted to Timothy Colby (timothy.colby@childrens.harvard.edu) before midnight EST February 23, 2018.**

Abstracts will be scored by the organizing committee members based on the perceived scientific impact and interest to the NAPAAC community on a scale from 1 (outstanding) to 10 (reject) to select oral presentations (3) and posters (4). Each committee member will score each abstract independently, aggregate scores will be calculated and the committee will schedule teleconference phone calls to discuss abstract scores. Committee members will not submit scores or directly discuss abstracts they have co-authored. Abstracts tentatively selected for oral and poster presentations will be then submitted to the NAPAAC Executive Committee for final approval.

- **Presenters will be notified on or before March 2, 2018.**

Oral Presentations

8 highest-scoring abstracts will be selected for oral presentations in ASH conference format (10 minutes + 5 minutes Q&A) for Clinical (4 abstracts) and Basic/Translational (4 abstracts) sessions of the NAPAAC Research Symposium.

Poster Presentations

Abstracts not selected for talks but well scored will be invited to present a poster. The poster session will be 60 minutes long.