



NAPAAC 2018 Bone Marrow Failure Research Symposium
Pittsburgh, PA
Wednesday, May 2nd 2018

1. Keynote Speaker

Invited presentation (30-45 minutes) by a renowned physician-scientist speaker nominated by the Executive Committee and selected by confidential Steering Committee online poll.

2. Research Presentations

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 (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 Abstracts should focus on original unpublished research data relating to the field of pediatric bone marrow failure and aplastic anemia within Clinical and Basic/Translational categories.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.

Abstracts (<500 words) 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 call 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.

3. Oral Presentations

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

4. 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. Maximum poster size is *(depending on the facilities)*.