New for 2018

- We have a new submission category – emergency colorectal surgery
- It is possible to include a table in the abstract text submitted.

How to submit an abstract

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- Create an Oxford Abstracts account or log in if one already exists.
- Create a new abstract.
  the maximum number of words for the title is 50. The maximum number of words for the abstract text is 250 (excluding the title and authors).

- You are permitted to submit an abstract that will be presented at another national/international meeting either prior to or after the Association of Coloproctology 2018 meeting.

- Abstracts of papers and posters presented at the meeting will be published in Colorectal Disease journal after the meeting. If an accepted paper or poster is not presented at the meeting, it will be withdrawn from publication.

- When submitting the names of authors put the initials in the field labelled "First Name".

- A “blind” reviewing process will be used. Do not include identifying features such as names of authors, hospitals, medical schools, clinics or cities in the title or text of the abstract. The names of authors and their affiliations (institutions) will be submitted on-line in a separate section.

- Abstracts should state briefly and clearly the purpose, methods, results and conclusions of the work.

- When you submit your abstract select a category from the following 16 categories.

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- Indicate your preferred presentation mode. Oral only; oral or poster; poster only. For videos select Video.
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- Answer if the first author is a trainee or nurse/AHP.
- When you have completed a submission you will receive email confirmation with the reference number of your abstract.

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You can do this at any time up to the deadline.
- Log in to the submission system
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- When you reach the final step and press “Submit” you will be sent an email confirming that your abstract has been amended.

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If you want to withdraw an abstract please contact the Anne O’Mara, Administration Manager, Association of Coloproctology of GB & I. Email: admin@acpgbi.org.uk

**DEADLINE FOR RECEIPT OF ABSTRACTS:**

Saturday, 20th January 2018 – 11.59 pm GMT (i.e. UK time)