

Call for Abstracts – ISASH 2021

The International Society for Agricultural Safety and Health (ISASH) invites abstract submissions for the 2021 Virtual Annual, to be held June 21-24, 2021. In this virtual environment we are moving forward with lessons learned in 2020. Abstracts are accepted in the following categories:

- 5 minute recorded presentations.
- 15 minute recorded presentations

All Abstracts are Due by April 2, 2021
mp4 files of accepted presentations will be due by May 14, 2021

Abstracts to be submitted via this link:
<https://www.iastatedigitalpress.com/isash/submissions/>

**If you have any questions please contact Gretchen Mosher or Steve Freeman,
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Traditional ISASH categories (Oral presentation of completed or ongoing research; panels/roundtables; educational displays; program posters; and research posters. See descriptions at the end of this call.) will all be accommodated in the pre-recorded presentations. The presentations will be grouped into sessions by topics hosted by our issue committees. The presentations will be made available to conference registrants for viewing prior to a synchronous conversation with session presenters. In addition to the presentation, all presenters of completed research or programs will have the option to submit a Technical Paper to accompany their presentation.

Conference Audience. ISASH conferences are designed for professionals and practitioners interested in agricultural health and safety research, education, practice, and policy. ISASH members and conference participants represent a growing number of countries. Conference language is English.

Topics of Interest. ISASH encourages presentations on specific safety and health issues as they apply in agricultural settings. ISASH Issue Committees have expressed particular interest in

presentations related to the topics listed below. However, abstracts on other topics will also be considered.

- **Emerging Issues:** new technologies, exposures, research methods and outreach concepts; effects of climate change, and effects of changes in agriculture and health policies on agricultural safety and health
- **Health Issues:** respiratory, hearing, musculoskeletal, cancer, mental health, aging, access to health care, response to avian influenza, response to the COVID pandemic related to agriculture and agricultural safety and health outreach efforts
- **Safety Issues:** injuries, cumulative trauma, ergonomics, machinery automation, presence sensing technology, guarding, prevention, intervention
- **Knowledge Mobilization:** resource sharing, best practices for educational dissemination, metrics for evaluating programs, and use of online resources including National Ag Safety Database (NASD), and eXtension
- **Special Populations:** fishing workforce, migrant workers, returning veterans in agricultural workplaces, farmers with disabilities, new/beginning farmers and workers, elderly farmers and workers, and children on the farm

Student Submissions. ISASH is committed to facilitating the development of future agricultural health and safety professionals and researchers. For this reason, students are strongly encouraged to submit their research to ISASH on the topics noted above. In addition to presenting research, students will have the opportunity for professional development and networking. An award will be presented to honor Outstanding Research presented by a student.

Traditional Focus and Scope for International Society for Agricultural Safety and Health (ISASH) Annual Conference Submissions

Oral Presentations. Oral presentations should report results from completed research or ongoing research (research in progress) or prevention activities (educational programs) that are pertinent to the ISASH audience. ISASH promotes the interaction between research and practice. Therefore, presenters are asked to describe how their findings apply to practice in the field. Oral presentations may describe local, regional, national, or international work. Presenters should follow accepted professional conference practices. This includes avoiding jargon; describing abbreviations of organizations, and using internationally recognized measurement units. The program committee will place oral presentations into breakout sessions with common themes. **This year, presentation time is 15 minutes pre-recorded with a later synchronous discussion.**

Panel/Roundtable Presentations. Authors may request a panel or roundtable session to discuss a broader topic that has particular importance for ISASH members. The Panel/Roundtable leader should submit one abstract for the session that explains the overall theme and lists all presenters involved in the presentation along with information regarding what each participant will be contributing. **This year, presentation time is 15 minutes pre-recorded with a later synchronous discussion.**

Educational Displays and Posters

Educational Displays. Educational displays are encouraged, highlighting a product or service that has interest/value for conference participants and ISASH members. Educational displays may be the appropriate format for organizations to present a product, service, demonstration, or item that should be demonstrated with samples or materials that could not be effectively presented in other formats. This category applies to public and private sector organizations. Vendors of commercial products like personal protective equipment should contact the organizing committee regarding display space. **This year, presentation time is 15 minutes pre-recorded with a later synchronous discussion.**

Program Posters. This category encourages discussion of programs aiming to improve the health and safety in agriculture, forestry, and fishing. Programs could involve: education; information dissemination; communication; campaigns; delivery of occupational health services; producer and commodity group programs; agribusiness and insurance initiatives; child, youth, and school activities; programs for minorities and vulnerable populations; and other programs aiming to improve the safety and health of diverse populations. **This year, presentation time is 5 minutes pre-recorded with a later synchronous discussion.**

Research Posters. This category encourages the presentation of results from completed research or ongoing research (research in progress) or prevention activities (educational programs) that are pertinent to the ISASH audience in a printed poster format. Posters are typically displayed throughout the conference and specific poster session times will be assigned in the program. **This year, presentation time is 5 minutes pre-recorded with a later synchronous discussion.**

All abstracts are peer-reviewed by ISASH Professional Improvement Committee or experts selected by the committee. The review uses the following criteria:

1. Significance of the topic/problem to agriculture, forestry, and fishing
2. Innovation and novelty of the concept, method, program or intervention
3. Contribution to science and/or practice in agricultural safety and health
4. Technical quality of the abstract including: writing style, language, and clarity of describing the need, purpose, objectives, methods, program/project features, findings, conclusions, and practical field applications

Technical Papers

Authors of completed research or programs will be given the opportunity to also submit a technical paper to accompany their presentation. A technical paper should report results from completed research or program activities as described in the accepted abstract and should follow the common format for technical papers (e.g. Introduction, Methods, Results, and Conclusions). In the conclusion of the paper, authors are asked to describe how their findings apply to practice in the field.

The maximum length of a Technical paper is 10 pages, single-spaced, 1-inch margins, and with no font smaller than 11-point. A cover page with the ISASH logo and template information will be provided to authors who indicate an interest in submitting a technical paper. Technical papers

are peer-reviewed by ISASH Professional Improvement Committee and published by ISASH online. **Technical Papers are due by May 15, 2021.** After peer review, authors will be notified of acceptance by **May 31, 2021** and provided with reviewer comments. Revised final versions of technical papers are due no later than **June 15, 2021** to be published in the online ISASH Technical Paper series. All Technical Papers received by the deadlines will be reviewed and considered for ISASH Research Awards administered by the ISASH Research and Development Committee.