

### **Guidelines for abstract submission**

**Opening of Abstract submission:** **February 23, 2026; 10:00 CET**

**Deadline for Abstract submission:** **April 24, 2026; 23:59 CEST**

**Notification of acceptance/rejection:** **by mid-July 2026**

**Deadline for confirmation/withdrawal/changes:** **July 22, 2026**

### **How to submit an abstract:**

1. Abstracts may only be submitted online via the conference website, [Week | UEG - United European Gastroenterology](#). Abstracts sent by post, e-mail or fax will not be accepted (deadline of April 24, 2026).
2. Authors must follow the abstract submission guidelines; non-compliant abstracts will not be sent for review.
3. Abstracts may be saved as drafts, but they must be submitted before the deadline; **only submitted abstracts will be reviewed.**
4. The submission system will generate a temporary abstract number upon submission that must be used in all correspondence. If you do not receive this number immediately after your submission, your abstract has not been registered. Please also check your spam folder if you have not received this number.
5. The e-mail address provided for abstract submission must be fully functional and configured to allow all notifications from the UEG Headquarters Management and abstract management team.

### **General guidelines:**

1. Abstracts must be submitted and presented in English.
2. Please ensure that your abstract does not contain spelling, grammatical or scientific errors, as it will be reproduced exactly as submitted.
3. Abstracts will be reviewed by a panel of experts. Based on the evaluation, the accepted abstracts may be accepted for:
  - Oral presentation
  - Moderated poster presentation
  - E poster showcased online and onsite, supplemented by an optional video and/or audio recording
4. By submitting an abstract, the author agrees to present it at the session and time assigned by the UEG Scientific Committee. If an author cannot present, they should inform the organisers with a valid reason.
5. All accepted abstracts (except late-breaking abstracts, top abstracts, and UEG press-related abstracts) are under **embargo until September 26, 2026**.
6. **Abstract Eligibility and Prior Publication:**
  - Abstracts will not be considered for presentation if they have been published as a full article or paper or if they have been accepted for publication (including manuscripts) in printed or electronic formats upon the submission deadline.

- Abstracts presented previously at national or international meetings may be submitted providing this is declared, but we particularly welcome work not previously presented at international meetings.

**Content of an abstract:**

1. The abstract title should clearly indicate the nature of the investigation.
2. Abbreviations must not be used in titles, though they are acceptable in the text, provided they are explained upon first use.
3. Choose one primary topic from the submission system that most accurately reflects your abstract.
4. The abstract should be structured as follows:
  - State the specific objective of the study.
  - State the methods used, if pertinent.
  - Summarise the results obtained.
  - State the conclusions reached.
  - References may be added.
5. The length of the abstract (incl. introduction, aims & methods, results, conclusion and tables) **must not exceed 3,600 printable characters** (incl. spaces). The title of the abstract, references and disclosure are counted separately. Authors and affiliations are not included in the character count!
6. **One table per abstract may be included.** Each row of the table will be counted as 50 characters.
7. Images are not allowed.
8. The use of trademarks is prohibited; only International Non-proprietary Names (INN), e.g. generic drug names, are allowed.
9. Indicate a minimum of 2 to 3 keywords that reflect your abstract's content.
10. Additional Classification:
  - Tick the box 'Translational/Basic Science' if this applies to your abstract.
  - Tick the box 'Paediatric' if this applies to your abstract.
11. There is an **author limit of 50 authors**; study groups can be included in a separate section.
12. Statements such as 'data will be presented' instead of providing the actual data within the abstract will lead to automatic rejection.

**Usage of Artificial Intelligence (AI):**

1. Using publicly available generative AI as a basic tool to support authors in refining, correcting, formatting and editing texts is permissible. Authors must always consider copyright, privacy and confidentiality implications before uploading text and other information to generative AI platforms for permitted purposes.
2. Generative AI must not be used to create, alter, or manipulate original research data and results.

**Conflict of interest:**

1. As UEG intends to provide high-quality sessions focused on educational content that is free from commercial influence or bias, all potential conflicts of interest need to be declared.
2. The submitting author of an abstract is **requested to declare any potential conflict of interest for all authors** during the abstract submission. Moreover, the authors' names (full first names, family names), gender and affiliation (places of work/institution, city, country) must be provided.

**Registration and travel grants:**

1. The **presenting author must register** for the congress **by September 23, 2026**, or withdraw the abstract. Accepted abstract presenters benefit from the extended early bird registration fee and will receive a separate email from the official housing and registration partner.
2. The registration fee for the presenting author will not be waived.
3. Travel grants: UEG awards 500 travel grants (up to €750 each) to support outstanding abstract presenters. Grants are based on scientific merit as evaluated by the Scientific Committee. Eligibility criteria include:
  - The travel grant application must be submitted together with the abstract submission. To apply, select the 'Travel Grant' option during submission; applications submitted by email will not be accepted.
  - Applicants must be 40 years old or younger (born on or after October 21, 1986).
  - The presenter's date of birth must be provided to be considered.
  - Each presenter can receive only one travel grant per UEG Week.
  - This application is only available for [UEG Young Associates](#).

**Acceptance and rejection notification:**

1. Notification of acceptance or rejection will be mailed to the submitter and the presenting author at the **e-mail address supplied on the submission form by mid-July 2026** at the latest.
2. Further presentation instructions will be issued nearer to the congress, and poster upload is mandatory for all accepted posters prior to the UEG Week.

**Presenter changes and withdrawals:**

1. If the original presenting author is unable to present the abstract, it is that person's responsibility to ensure that one of the co-authors takes over this role.
2. If you need to **change the presenting author or withdraw your abstract**, you can do so via the confirmation portal **until July 22, 2026**.
3. If you need to withdraw after the deadline of July 22, 2026, you are requested to provide a written statement reflecting the reasons for this decision to

[uegweek.abstract@abstractserver.com](mailto:uegweek.abstract@abstractserver.com). Please note that UEG cannot guarantee any changes to its printed materials after the deadline.

**Publication and copyrights:**

1. Accepted abstracts will be published as a supplement, either in printed format, electronically or both, to the UEG Journal and online on the UEG Journal website and the UEG website. Accepted clinical cases will be published on the congress platform and the UEG website. UEG requires an exclusive licence to publish the accepted abstract, which you need to grant on behalf of all authors of the abstract as part of your submission of an abstract for UEG Week.
2. Accepted abstracts, except for late-breaking abstracts, top abstracts and UEG press-related abstracts, are **under embargo until September 26, 2026**. Information contained in these abstracts may not be released prior to their availability on the congress website.
3. Please refer to the [Terms & Conditions](#) for information about UEG's Disclosure Policy (point 8), License to UEG for Publication of Abstracts (point 9) and Permission for Publication (point 10).

**Further Information**

If you have any additional questions or need further information concerning abstract submission, please contact:

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