

Presentation Guidelines.

Objective:

These guidelines describe the organization, structure and operation of the presentations, both oral and poster, to be given at the Water Micro Meeting 2027.

Types of Presentations:

- oral presentation
- posters

A. Language.

The official language of the event is English, however, since simultaneous English/Spanish and Spanish/English translation will be provided, oral presentations may be given in Either language. For coordination purposes, please indicate the language in which your presentation will be given.

Posters must be written in English.

B. Posters (formats and logistics).

- Posters must be prepared in AO vertical format (84,1 cm wide x 118.9 high).
- A template will be provided for the preparation.
- Boards will be provided for poster presentation.
- There will be no audiovisual equipment available.
- Posters have to be printed and transported by the participant.
- Poster presentation sessions will be scheduled, the presenting author must be present during it.

C. Instructions for preparing the abstract.

C.1. Topics

Abstracts should report results obtained from original scientific research (experiments, surveys, data analysis, case studies) addressing the following topics:

Water Safety and Security in the Anthropocene

- Safe water for human uses: drinking, recreation, tourism, reuse, agriculture and industry.
- Safe water for biodiversity.
- Climate change, extreme weather events, floods and droughts, wildfires' impact on water, associated health risks.
- Emerging pathogens associated to water and the risk of pandemics.

Microbial hazards in the Anthropocene.

- Pathogens in aquatic environments: water, sediments, aerosols, biota.
- Antimicrobial resistance in aquatic environments: water, sediments, aerosols, biota, and biofilms.
- Waterborne microorganisms and water-based diseases.
- Algal blooming and cyanotoxins.
- Survival, persistence, transport, fate.

Water as information source / Water as Source of Insights.

- Surveillance of infectious diseases and antimicrobial resistance.
- QMRA, decision analysis, water safety plans.
- Microbial source tracking.
- Modelling and prediction.

- Big data and artificial intelligence application.
- Cost-effective tools for surveillance: novel methods, Omics approaches.

Water management and protection options in the Anthropocene.

- Catchment protection.
- Treatment and disinfection.
- Water and sanitation safety plans.
- Community initiatives for water source protection.
- Citizen Science in water bodies.
- (Bio)Remediation.
- Criteria, standards, and monitoring harmonization (regionally and globally).
- Circular economy: microbial controls, use and reuse.

C.2. General requirements

- Abstracts must correspond to original research that is relevant and pertinent to the themes of the event.
- Priority will be given to research done during the period between the editions of the congress (biennial event) in order to promote originality.
- Submissions of previously published or presented work are allowed; however, the corresponding reference must be provided if the work has been published (see section C.3.).
- Evidence of plagiarism will result in rejection.
- Abstracts must be properly written in English.
- Abstracts can have a maximum of 300 words.
- The trade names of companies, brands, tests or their acronyms/abbreviations may be used only once in the title and once in the body of the abstract.
- By submitting this application, it is understood that all co-authors have approved the submission of this abstract for this event.
- One author will be designated as presenter of the research work (either oral or poster presentation), and one author (might not be the same person) will be designated as main contact, responsible for notifying the other authors of the event committee's decision, as well as any other logistical information.
- Preferred format: indicate whether an oral or poster presentation is preferred.

C.3. Abstract format (Structure)

Abstracts should include the following elements: (a suggested length is provided for each):

- background/problem (2 sentences).
- purpose/objectives (1 sentence).
- clear and specific methodology (3-5 sentences) that include sample size, controls used, detection limits (when populations or levels are indicated to be under or above these limits).
- specific results (if some results are still pending, a statement must indicate that they will be available by the time of the event).
- Specific and concise discussion or conclusions. (1-2 sentences).

Bibliographic references should not be included within the body of the abstract. If the work has already been published, provide the citation/DOI at the end of the abstract

C.4. Review and acceptance criteria.

Abstracts submitted for Water Micro 2027 will be evaluated by the respective Scientific Committee. The above instructions must be followed strictly; otherwise, they may be rejected. Abstracts lacking originality or falling outside the event's themes will be rejected.

D. Presentation format (oral or poster).

The Congress Committee reserves the right to make the final decision on the presentation format to be used in each case.

Following aspects will be considered when assigning the presentation format (oral/poster):

- Scientific quality
- Thematic coherence
- Available slots
- Thematic balance of sessions
- Geographical/institutional diversity

Oral presentations:

The assigned duration for oral presentation will be communicated with the notification of acceptance of the submission.

An official template for oral presentations will be provided.

E. Change of presenter.

A change of the presenting author will be allowed when:

- the person assigned as new presenter is part of the research team
- the person assigned as new presenter is co-author in the submitted abstract
- the change is notified in advance, according to the logistical instructions of the Organizing Committee.

F. Important dates:

- Conference dates: May 30- June 4, 2027.
- Call for abstracts starts August 1, 2026.
- Abstract submission deadline: September 25, 2026.
- Notification of acceptance: November 15, 2026.
- Definitive announcement of presentation format (oral/poster): January 30, 2027.
- Early registration deadline: February 15, 2027