

AAIC Satellite Symposium 2026: Call for Abstracts

Submit your abstract by February 2, 2026. ISTAART members can submit abstracts through February 6.

[AAIC Satellite Symposium](#), presented by the Alzheimer's Association and hosted in collaboration with the Global Brain Health Institute (GBHI) and the Atlantic Fellows for Equity in Brain Health, will be hosted on April 30 - May 1, 2026 in Istanbul, Turkey and online.

Share your latest findings in the following theme areas:

- Basic Science and Pathogenesis
- Biomarkers
- Clinical Manifestations
- Dementia Care and Psychosocial Factors
- Drug Development
- Public Health
- And More.

Abstracts are due February 2, 2026 at 11:59 p.m. ET (February 6 at 11:59pm ET for ISTAART members).

Don't miss an update!

All abstract submission and notification process emails will be sent from [**abstracts@alz.org**](mailto:abstracts@alz.org). Add this address to your safe sender list or address book to ensure you receive all communications.

The submitter will receive an email when your submission is complete. Abstract notification emails are sent to the presenting author only. It is your responsibility to contact [**abstracts@alz.org**](mailto:abstracts@alz.org) if you do not receive the system-generated emails.

Information to know before you begin your submission:

- Review this document ***prior*** to initiating your submission.
- Find answers in the list of frequently asked questions and how to prepare for your submission.
- **To begin** - simply click the “Submit an Abstract” button.
- Create an account if you do not already have one
 - When returning to the site, login with your credentials
- Click the “Submissions” tab in the upper lefthand corner to submit an abstract or view your in-progress abstracts

Navigation Tips:

1. In your abstract, click on the "Save and Continue" button at the bottom of the screen as you complete each step.
2. Navigate to previous or future steps via the "Submission Steps" panel (left side of the screen). Completed steps will show a checkmark in the panel, and incomplete steps will remain empty.
3. Avoid using your browser's back and forward buttons.

<< IMPORTANT DATES >>

Date	Event
January 6, 2026	Submission site opens
February 2, 2026 11:59pm EST	Abstract submission site closes for non-ISTAART Members
February 6, 2026 11:59pm EST	Abstract submission site closes for ISTAART Members
Early March 2026	Abstract notifications sent via email
April 30 - May 1, 2026	AAIC Satellite Symposium in Istanbul, Turkey and online

<< WHAT TO PREPARE FOR YOUR SUBMISSION(S) >>

Abstract Submission:

- **Abstract Title** (English Only)
- Choose the **Theme**
- **Abstract Body** (English Only)
The following headers are required:
 - Background
 - Methods
 - Results
 - Conclusions
- *All four sections combined cannot exceed 350 words. Verify the word count prior to entry.*
References are not required; if you would like to include references, they must be included in the abstract body.
- Tables and Figures can be included in the uploaded abstract text file, but note that captions contribute to the abstract word count.
 - Acceptable formats: .jpeg, .gif, or .png
 - Up to 3 tables/figures may be included.
- **Author Information** (*collect the information below in advance*)

PRESENTING AUTHOR:

- First Name
- Last Name
- E-mail Address
- Primary Institution/Organization
- City
- Country
- You will also be asked to indicate:
 - Whether you are an ISTAART member
 - Career Level
 - Gender

CO-AUTHOR(S):

(if applicable; **submitter is required to submit this information**)

- First Name
- Last Name
- E-mail Address
- Primary Institution/Organization
- City
- Country

To finish your submission, ensure that all steps in the Submission Steps panel of your abstract submission have a green checkmark (complete). **Any abstracts left as incomplete drafts will not be considered for the conference.**

Beyond the Data: Art and Reflections at Satellite Symposium

AAIC Satellite Symposium 2026 will include Beyond the Data: Art and Reflections at Satellite Symposium, a reimagined version of Art at AAIC, launched at AAIC 2024 to showcase artistic expression related to Alzheimer's and dementia research. Beyond the Data celebrates the people and experiences behind Alzheimer's and dementia research. Through visual art, writing and personal or professional reflection, this initiative highlights the human connections that inspire scientific discovery, offering a more holistic view of science as a deeply human endeavor.

The images submitted for Beyond the Data: Art at Satellite Symposium should be original/unpublished and prepared by the presenting author. Images can include research figures (e.g. neuroimaging analysis, immunohistochemistry, brain autoradiography, electron microscopy), illustrations, and photography. All submissions will undergo review, and accepted images will be displayed as part of the poster presentations at AAIC Satellite Symposium 2026.

The deadline for submission is the same as abstract submission: February 2, 2026 at 11:59pm EST (general deadline); February 6, 2026 (ISTAART member extended deadline).

Due to limited space, only a select number of Beyond the Data submissions will be accepted. Accepted reflections and visual art submissions may be displayed in the poster sessions.

For your Beyond the Data submission, you will need:

- Author, co-author(s), and disclosure information
- Your ISTAART membership ID number (ISTAART members only)
- **Beyond the Data: Art:** One file containing your visual artwork and a short description of your piece (350 words max). - Accepted file types for upload are: .jpeg, .png, and .gif.
- **Beyond the Data: Reflections:** Your written professional or personal reflection (350 words max). Reflections submitters may optionally include one image with their written submission.

« EMBARGO POLICY AND CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT »

All presenting authors must agree to the [AAIC Conference Policies](#), including Confidentiality Agreement, Photo/Video/Audio Recording Policy, and Conference News Embargo Policy.

<< FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS >>

What do I need to prepare for my submission?

[Click here](#) to view a detailed list.

What are the submission themes?

- Basic Science and Pathogenesis
- Biomarkers
- Clinical Manifestations
- Dementia Care and Psychosocial Factors
- Drug Development
- Public Health
- And More.

Do I need to register?

Yes, all presenters and attendees **must** register for the conference. The registration link is available on the [conference website](#).

What is the age requirement for presenting authors?

Presenting authors must be 18 years of age at the time of the conference.

Will my abstract be considered for a poster or oral presentation?

During submission, you will be asked to indicate your presentation preference: Poster Presentation Only, or Oral Presentation Preferred. Kindly note that presentations not selected for an oral presentation will automatically be considered for a poster presentation.

What are the poster requirements?

The preferred poster dimensions, instructions, and virtual upload details will be provided to presenters in late March, 2026. Virtual poster presenters are required, and in-person poster presenters are encouraged, to upload a digital poster to the virtual platform.

Am I allowed to submit abstracts that have been previously presented?

Yes. If the abstract provides updates on designs, data or analyses that have been published or presented prior to the conference, please select the Update category. If the abstract will be published verbatim prior to the conference, please select the Encore category.

How do I make edits to an abstract in "submitted" status?

You may make edits to your submitted proposal through the submission deadline. It is your responsibility to confirm that your abstract is correctly submitted and is received by the submission deadline.

When will I be notified if my abstract has been accepted?

Notifications of acceptance/denial of abstract submissions will be sent in early March, 2026.

Does the Alzheimer's Association own accepted abstracts?

Accepted abstracts become the property of the Alzheimer's Association. Ownership of submitted abstracts not accepted for presentation reverts to the author.

If my abstract is accepted, will it be used by the Association for sales or marketing purposes?

The Alzheimer's Association reserves the right to provide abstracts to conference registrants and the public via online modalities, a mobile application, and any other modalities they wish. In those formats, the abstracts become the property of the Association, along with the PowerPoint slides or handout material.

Abstracts for AAIC Satellite Symposium are not published in the Alzheimer's & Dementia journal.

If I need to retract my abstract submission, what is the deadline?

You can retract your abstract submission at any time. Depending on our publication deadlines, we may be unable to remove your abstract from print materials. To retract an accepted abstract, you must email abstracts@alz.org and confirm a response. The deadline for abstract withdrawal is March 31st, 2026.

If my abstract is accepted, how do I make an author change or withdraw my abstract?

If the identified presenting author becomes unable to present, a co-author may present. Notification of the change must be submitted in writing to abstracts@alz.org by the deadline stated in the acceptance notification email. If none of the authors on the abstracts can present, a request must be submitted in writing to abstracts@alz.org to withdraw the abstract. Depending on deadlines, we may be unable to remove your abstracts from print materials.

<< QUESTIONS & TECHNICAL SUPPORT >>

Topic	Email	Hours
Technical Support (abstract submission portal log in issues, technical entry issues)	alz@support.ctimeetingtech.com Phone: (217) 398-1792	<i>9am - 5pm Eastern Time, Monday-Friday</i>
Abstract questions	abstracts@alz.org	<i>9am - 5pm Central Time, Monday-Friday</i>
General conference questions	aaicsymposia@alz.org	<i>9am - 5pm Central Time, Monday-Friday</i>
<i>Please read this document carefully prior to contacting the Association or Technical Support.</i>		