



Call for Papers

THE 97TH ANNUAL MEETING
OF THE AMERICAN SOCIETY
OF PARASITOLOGISTS

JULY 9-12, 2022

COLLEGE STATION, TEXAS



The **American Society of Parasitologists** (ASP) will hold its 97th Annual Meeting at The George and Cavalry Court Hotels in College Station, Texas from July 9-12, 2022. Meeting registration is required for meeting attendance. ASP members, as well as non-members, who attend the ASP meeting are invited to submit abstracts for papers for oral or poster presentation, as invited speakers, or as contributors to symposia. Individuals organizing symposia, workshops, and special sessions should send the names of their speakers to the Scientific Program Officers. Important links included herein can also be found on the meeting website [here](#).

Important Deadlines

February 18, 2022

Deadline for contacting Scientific Program Officers about organizing a Special Interest Symposium.

March 18, 2022

Abstract submission deadline ([submit abstract](#)). Note that Marc Dresden Student Travel Grant applications are now part of the abstract submission process.

May 31, 2022

Deadline for Early Registration. Note that registration will continue past this date at an increased rate. Registration will open March 9, 2022 and will be accessible via a direct link on the meeting [website](#).

June 1, 2022

Hotel reservations must be made by this date to secure the negotiated ASP reduced conference room rate.

Meeting Registration

Online registration for the annual meeting and credit card payment will open on March 9, 2022 through the Allen Press website. Directions to access the registration site will be accessible via the meeting [website](#) on March 9, 2022.

Registration Costs:

	On or before May 31, 2022	After June 1, 2022
ASP Active Member	\$450	\$525
ASP Early Career Member ¹	\$350	\$425
ASP Associate Member ²	\$350	\$425
ASP Student Member	\$250	\$325
Non-ASP Member ³	\$600	\$675
Emeritus/Retired ASP	\$250	\$325
Accompanying Person	\$225	\$300

¹ ASP Early Career Member is a member within seven years of having attained their terminal degree.

² The ASP Associate membership is intended for scientists in developing countries as defined by the IMF (International Monetary Fund). A list of qualifying countries may be found [here](#).

³ Non-ASP members can join ASP [here](#).

No refunds will be given for registration fees paid after May 31, 2022.

Abstract Submission

Abstract Preparation:

All abstracts must be submitted in English. The TITLE should be short, concise, and indicative of the abstract content. Use words with index retrieval value; avoid general words like “Studies on” or “Investigations of.” Use sentence case. The CONTENT should be a **single paragraph of no more than 350 words** containing a concise statement of (1) the problem under investigation, (2) the experimental methods used, (3) the essential results, and (4) the conclusions. Do not include figures or tables. Scientific names should be written out in full when first used; on repetition the genus name may be abbreviated with the first letter, except at the beginning of a sentence. Scientific names should be italicized. To avoid *nomina nuda*, names of new taxa should not be included in the abstract. Note that abstracts submitted by any single author may be restricted to two oral presentations, with the remainder designated as posters at the discretion of the Scientific Program Officers.

Abstract Submission:

Submit your abstract(s) through [Oxford Abstracts](#). Please follow all the instructions at that site carefully using the examples of formatting provided. Names and affiliations of all authors are required. Choose the session topic that best describes the content of your abstract. This year we will also have *Teaching Parasitology & Pedagogy* and *Other* options as topics. You will receive email confirmation of successfully submitted abstracts; please print that page and save

your submission ID number. Abstracts can be modified up to the Abstract Submission deadline. Only complete submissions will be considered for acceptance. Note: **The deadline for abstract submission is March 18, 2022.** The online submission system will be disabled at midnight (CST) on that date.

Acceptance & Scheduling of Abstracts:

Presenters will be notified of acceptance of oral and poster presentations by April 15, 2022. If an official letter confirming abstract acceptance is needed, please contact the Scientific Program Officers. We will do our best to accommodate your preferred mode of presentation (oral vs poster presentation). Notification of scheduling of your presentation is not automatic. Information on the time and date of scheduled presentations will be available by May 13, 2022 (approximately), with the posting of the electronic version of the final Program & Abstracts booklet on the [ASP website](#). Abstracts appearing in the final Program & Abstracts booklet are not citable as abstracts for publication purposes.

Student Paper Competition:

Students interested in participating in the Student Paper Competition should indicate this at the time of abstract submission.

Oral and Poster Presentations

All presentations for the meeting will be in English.

Oral Presentations:

Microsoft PowerPoint® is the presentation standard for the meeting. Speakers should bring their presentation on a USB Flash Drive and download their files to the PC of their sessions at least 30 minutes before the start of the session. Images, movies, and fonts should be embedded in the presentation; fonts, colors, and animations should be used both consistently and judiciously. The use of standard slide format is strongly recommended (i.e., aspect ratio of 4:3 rather than 16:9 default ratio in PowerPoint®). Speakers are encouraged to test their presentation on a different computer than was used to create it. Mac users should be certain to test their presentations on a PC. The onus will be on speakers to verify the compatibility of their files with the computers at the venue. The standard oral presentation is 12 minutes plus 3 minutes for questions, unless otherwise indicated.

Poster Presentations:

Posters offer an excellent opportunity for more extensive exchanges of ideas between presenters and their audience. No competing activities will be scheduled during the poster session. Posters will be grouped numerically by topic. Each poster should be no larger than 4 ft. x 4 ft. Numbers on poster boards will correspond to poster numbers that can be found in the Program & Abstracts booklet. Each poster should include a title and the name(s) and affiliation(s) of the author(s) at the top, and a copy of the abstract. At least one author must be present during the entire poster session.

Symposia and Workshops:

The meeting will feature the annual President's and the ASP Student Symposia as well as other symposia/workshops proposed by the ASP membership. ASP members who want to organize a special interest symposium should contact the Scientific Program Officers by February 18, 2022. The member organizer is responsible for contacting symposium participants, for sending the Scientific Program Officers a list of the speakers, and for determining the order of presentations. Space in the current program format is limited, so we accept member submitted symposia requests on a first come, first serve basis.

Awards and lectures:

Presentations will be given by the recipients of the H. B. Ward Medal, the Clark Read Mentor Award, and the Eminent Parasitologist Award. The recipients of these awards will be contacted by the Scientific Program Officers for a presentation title prior to posting the Program & Abstract booklet. In addition, the Ashton Cuckler New Investigator Award will be presented at the College Station meeting.

Student Paper Competition and Marc Dresden Student Travel Grants

Student Paper Competition:

Students interested in participating in the Student Paper Competition should indicate this at the time of abstract submission. Only oral presentations qualify for the Student Paper Competition. Note that you need not apply for a Marc Dresden Student Travel (MDST) Grant to participate in the Student Paper Competition.

Marc Dresden Student Travel Grants:

Students presenting talks or posters may apply for a MDST Grant. All application materials must be submitted as part of the abstract submission process. Applications must include an abstract, certification of student status, mentor information, and an itemized budget of total costs and amount of funding requested. Students applying for an MDST Grant need not enter the Student Paper Competition. Affiliate Society Best Student Paper Competition Winners: Recipients of these awards for an oral presentation given since the 2021 ASP meeting are entitled to an automatic MDST Grant with the commitment of delivering an oral presentation at the 2022 ASP meeting. In addition to the application materials listed above, these students must check the AFFILIATE SOCIETY AWARD WINNER box on the abstract submission form and indicate their affiliate society. Questions about the MDST Grant process should be directed to the Student Awards Committee Chairperson, Dr. Gabor Racz.

Session Moderators

Please contact the Scientific Program Officers by May 20, 2022, if you are interested in moderating a session(s) at the meeting and include your preferred session-topic(s) (e.g., Host-Parasite Interactions, Immunology, Ecology and Evolution, etc.). In particular, graduate students

and postdoctoral fellows are strongly encouraged to volunteer as moderators in order to gain valuable experience and increase visibility with potential mentors and employers.

Social Activities

Social activities planned for the College Station meeting include the Welcome Reception, the Student Vortex and Social, and the Student Auction.

Annual Student Auction:

Once again, we are asking you to search your attic, basement, out-buildings, coffers, and safety deposit boxes for donations to our Annual Auction to raise funds for student travel to ASP meetings. Serious, humorous... whatever you come up with... it's all grist for the auction mill and will be much appreciated. You can find some great parasite-related items on Etsy. You can either bring your item(s) with you to the meeting or mail your item(s) early. Contributions from those not planning to attend the meeting are also greatly appreciated. A receipt for your donation can be provided at registration, or by mail, if requested. If you would like to mail your auction items, please strive to have them delivered between July 4-9, 2022. Mail to the address below:

The George
180 Century Square
College Station, TX 77840
Attn: Morgan Meador/Am. Soc. of Parasitologists

Hotel Reservations

Hotels:

[The George](#)

180 Century Court
College Station, Texas 77840
Tel: 979-485-5638
Reservations: 844-599-3871

Is a luxurious 4-star hotel offering unparalleled comfort and atmosphere that reminds guest of the time when College Station used to be a railroad stop.

[Cavalry Court](#)

200 Century Court
College Station, Texas 77840
Tel: 979-485-5586
Res: 844-313-7337

This unique boutique hotel offers charm and comfort in a relaxed courtyard atmosphere.

Both hotels are located next to each other and within the [Century Square community](#) offering access to multiple retail, dining, and entertainment venues within walking distance.

Registered ASP members and their accompanying guests attending the conference will have open access to the services and amenities in both of the hotels including free continental breakfast and free parking for the duration of the meeting.

Booking Information

Each individual guest must make their own reservations using the links below on or before **June 1, 2022, to ensure the conference rate.** If preferred, reservations can also be made by calling directly the hotels at 1-844-599-3871 (The George) or 1-844-313-7337 (Cavalry Court). Please reference the American Society of Parasitologists to book you room(s). Everyone should be prepared to guarantee a first night room deposit with a major credit card.

Hotel Reservation Links

[The George](#) (\$129/night)

[Cavalry Court](#) (\$129/night)

[Cavalry Court Students](#) (\$115/night). Up to four students may share one of these rooms.



Transportation Information:

Airports

College Station

[Easterwood Airport](#) (CLL): 1 McKenzie Terminal Blvd, College Station, TX 77845.

Located less than four miles from the conference hotels and the Texas A&M University campus. Serviced by American Airlines with connections from Dallas Ft Worth (DFW). Transportation from the College Station airport to The George and Cavalry Court Hotels is available (see below). Please contact your hotel for current schedules.

Houston

[William P. Hobby Airport](#) (HOU): Ranked as the third-best North-American regional airport.

[George Bush Intercontinental Airport](#) (IAH): Located approximately 22 miles north of downtown Houston, it is ranked as one of the top airports in the world with service from 26 airlines and nonstop flights to 5 continents. Rental car or shuttle service to College Station is available from either HOU or IAH (see below).

Austin

[Austin-Bergstrom International Airport](#) (AUS): Owned and operated by the city of Austin, AUS is the second-fastest growing, mid-sized airport in the United States. This airport services other airlines (such as Southwest) and is located ~102 miles (~2 hours) from College Station. Rental car service is available from AUS to drive to College Station. No shuttle service is available.

Ground Transportation and Rental Vehicles

[GroundShuttle.com](#) 1-855-303-4415 offers daily shuttles between Houston airports (HOU and IAH) and between Houston and College Station airports (CLL).

Rental vehicles are available at the airports:

[College Station](#), [Houston HOU](#), [Houston IAH](#), [Austin AUS](#).

Transportation from the College Station airport to The George and Cavalry Court Hotels is available. Please contact your hotel for current schedules.

Meeting Venue

College Station is a city located in East-Central Texas, in the heart of the Houston-Dallas-Austin triangle. College Station and Bryan make up the 13th-largest metropolitan area in Texas with a population of over 270,000. College Station is home to the main campus of the Texas A&M University system, a public and land-grant institution considered among the largest and best research universities in the US. Climate is considered subtropical with mild winters and hot and humid summers. July's average temperatures range from 75-95°F (24-35°C) and humidity is ~70%.

Tentative Schedule

Saturday July 9th

8.00 am – 12.00pm Council Meeting
1.30pm – 5.30pm Concurrent Sessions
7.00pm – 10.00pm Welcome Reception

Sunday 10th July

8.30am – 10.30am President's Symposium
11.00am – 12.00pm Student Business Meeting
12.00pm – 1.00pm Editorial Board Luncheon
1.00pm – 3.00pm Concurrent Sessions
3.30pm – 5.30pm Student Symposium
5.30pm – 7.00pm Student Social
7.00pm – 9.00pm ASP Auction

Monday 11th July

8.00am – 10.30am Plenary talks
11.00am – 12.00pm President's Address
1.00pm – 3.00pm Concurrent Sessions
3.30pm – 6.30pm Poster Session and Palettes and Parasites

Tuesday 12th July

8.30am – 12.00pm Concurrent Sessions
1.00 – 4.15pm ASP Awards and Business Meeting

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Key URLs:

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[Things To Do In College Station](#)