



GASOC International Conference 2026

**“Operating for the Future:
Reimagining Global Surgery”**

Abstract submission

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GASOC International Conference 2026



Abstract Submission Guidance

Conference Theme: *Operating for the Future: Reimagining Global Surgery*

We are delighted to accept abstracts to the GASOC International Conference 2026! We welcome projects aimed at improving healthcare delivery in resource-constrained settings, or projects with learning that can be applied in resource-constrained settings. Submit your abstracts today and join us at our 2026 virtual international conference.

Top abstracts will be selected for **oral presentation**; others will be presented as **e-posters** during the conference.

◆ Submission Information

- **Deadline:** 16th August 2026 at 23:59 (BST).
- **Language:** English only.
- **Submission:** Late submissions will not be considered.
- **Prior Publication:** Please declare if your abstract has been submitted or accepted elsewhere.
- **Publication:** Accepted abstracts will be published in the GASOC Book of Abstracts in collaboration with JOGS ONE.
- **Status:** Abstracts must be based on completed work with final results. Studies in progress will not be accepted.
- We will accept a maximum of two abstracts per author.

◆ Abstract Categories

We accept:

- Case reports
- Case series
- Reviews
- Empirical/original research
- Service evaluations and quality improvement projects

◆ Ethical Approval & Peer Review

- Where required, abstracts should contain a statement about ethical/regulatory approval **or** written consent, where indicated.

- All presenters must declare their type of peer review/approval during their presentation and include this on posters.
 - Supporting documents (e.g., consent forms or ethics approvals) may be requested.
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◆ AI Policy

- The use of generative AI tools (e.g. ChatGPT, Copilot, Gemini, Claude) to generate the scientific content, analyses, interpretations, or conclusions of an abstract is not permitted. Authors remain fully responsible for the originality, accuracy, and integrity of their work.
 - AI tools may be used to assist with language editing, grammar, or formatting, provided that all scientific content, interpretation, and conclusions are the authors' own. Authors may be asked to disclose the use of AI-assisted writing if requested by the organising committee.
 - Abstracts containing fabricated, plagiarised, or misleading content, regardless of whether AI was used, will be rejected.
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◆ Abstract Formatting Guidelines

- **Word limit:** 250 words (excluding references)
- **Structure for Research, Review, QI:**
Introduction, Aim, Methods, Results, Conclusion
- **Structure for Case Reports:**
Introduction, Case Description/Clinical History, Discussion and main learning points
- **References:**
 - Cite all references in the text
 - Use **Harvard referencing** style
 - List first 3 authors followed by *et al.* for >6 authors
- Define all abbreviations on first use
- Acknowledge funding sources and conflicts of interest
- Tables and images are not mandatory but if you need to upload an image to accompany your abstract, it must be a max file size of 10MB

Before submitting:

- Double-check spelling and author names
 - Review and accept the submission terms
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◆ Review & Selection Process

Case report abstracts will be marked on:

- Relevance of report to 'Global Surgical, Obstetric, Trauma or Anaesthesia Care'
- Structure, clarity and coherence
- Critical evaluation and discussion
- Novelty and originality

All other abstracts will be marked on:

- Relevance of report to 'Global Surgical, Obstetric, Trauma or Anaesthesia Care'
 - Structure, clarity and coherence
 - Suitability of methods to achieve aim
 - Presentation and interpretation of results
 - Novelty and originality
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- High-scoring abstracts will be invited for **oral presentation**
 - Others will be selected for **e-poster** display
 - Detailed guidance on poster upload and presentation format will be provided after acceptance
 - Presenters are responsible for uploading their e-posters on time
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◆ Registration & Participation

- At least one author of each accepted abstract must register for the conference and purchase a conference ticket by the registration deadline.
 - Oral presentations: The presenting author must be available to deliver their presentation during their scheduled session. If the presenting author is unable to attend, a co-author may present in their place. If no author is available to present, the abstract may be withdrawn from the programme.
 - E-poster presentations: A live presentation is not required. However, at least one author must be registered for the conference for the abstract to be included in the conference programme and e-poster gallery.
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◆ Withdrawals & Enquiries

To withdraw an abstract or for any questions, contact us at:

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