

Call for Abstracts

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Abstract Submission Deadlines

- **Regular call:** Site closes - **Monday, May 11, 2009**
- **Short call:** Site opens – 8/8/2009; Site closes – 8/22/2009

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Additional policies:

- Meeting registration should take place at the time of abstract submission.
- Authors of accepted posters are required to be present during the assigned poster sessions.
- All abstracts must be filed electronically via the ATA website www.thyroid.org. Submissions will not be accepted by fax or mail.
- All materials must arrive on or before the abstract deadlines noted above.
- Authorship on multiple abstracts is permitted.
- Abstracts submitted by the May 11 deadline will, with rare exceptions, be accepted for presentation as either a 10-minute oral or a poster and published in a supplement of *Thyroid*.
- Notification of acceptance for Regular Abstracts will be e-mailed to the corresponding author before June 30, 2009.