

Prepping for New Orleans

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As you read this, it is January 2023, but as I write this, it is still November and we just finished the November Council meeting and the Scientific Program abstract review process. It has been a busy autumn! The business of AsMA never stops.

First, let me thank the people who submitted abstracts. We had over 500 to review. Pam Day and the Scientific Program Committee had about a week to get all the abstracts grouped according to topic area. The actual review process was completed both virtually in early November and in person November 17, 2022. Each abstract was evaluated by three virtual reviewers and then in person by a team. The final scientific, panel, and poster sessions look exciting and informative. If you see the following individuals, thank them for their hard work! In addition, we are always looking for volunteers in this very important work.

- Ian Mollan, Scientific Program Committee Chair
- Ellis Boudreau, Deputy Chair
- Adam Sirek and Jaime Harvey, Remote Review Coordinators
- Douglas Boyd, Panels Chair
- Amanda Lippert, Slide Chair
- Samir Alvi, Posters Chair
- Katie Samoil, Member at Large
- Chuck Reese, Immediate Past Chair



Did you know there is a mentoring program for new authors for both submitting abstracts and preparing the actual presentation? If you are new to this process or want to brush up your skills, don't hesitate to reach out to Barry Shender and he and his team will help.

Another significant event during Council was appointing an Ad Hoc Committee on Commercial Spaceflight. The team is working to develop a repository of existing articles and studies on Commercial Spaceflight for passenger/participant health. As the flights become more frequent and affordable, your association is working to keep science in the decision process. Literally, the heavens are the limit of what we can do.

Finally, let me wish you a productive and safe New Year.

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