



**UTRGV SOM Research Symposium 2024**  
**Final Instructions for In Person Oral Presentations**

- **The Symposium will take place February 9-10, 2024 at the Mission Event Center.** All authors and participants must register through our [registration portal](#) . Once registered, you will be emailed instructions on how to get your access to our virtual platform, *Symposium™ by ForagerOne*.
- **All Oral Presentations will be in person at the Symposium.** In-Person Presenters must submit their Final PPT Presentation via email to [somresearchsymposium@utrgv.edu](mailto:somresearchsymposium@utrgv.edu) by the end of the day Monday February 5, 2024. If you make any changes to the PPT after Feb. 5<sup>th</sup> then you must bring that file in a USB to be pre-loaded to the presentation laptop 30 minutes prior to your scheduled presentation.
- **If unable to present in person, a video presentation will be required. All videos must be uploaded by midnight Monday February 5, 2024,** to our virtual platform, *Symposium™ by ForagerOne*. Please refer to your “Oral Presentation Guidelines” for uploading instructions.
- **All presentations will have a total of 15 minutes inclusive of Q & A.** Attached is a draft of the “Order of Presentations” which has date, time, and location of your presentation.
- Each session will have a moderator keeping time and presenters will be notified when 3 & 1 minute(s) remain.
- Your **In-person** Oral Presentation will be evaluated by our Faculty Judges, so, for your reference, the Evaluation Rubric is below. The top presentation in each category will be recognized during the Awards Ceremony on Saturday February 10<sup>th</sup>.
- **Presentations will not be allowed to extend beyond the allowed 15 minutes and will be stopped by the moderator.**
- No additional electronic media (i.e. sound or video files, 3D moving graphics etc) are permitted. No additional props (i.e. costumes, musical instruments, lab equipment etc) are permitted.



## Evaluation Rubric

- The judges will score Oral Presentations using the following rubric:

	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent	Outstanding
<b>Background and Research Question:</b> Did the presenter provide an understanding of background and clearly present the research question?	1	2	3	4	5
<b>Results and Conclusion:</b> Did the presenter clearly describe results and conclusions? Did the presenter describe any societal impact?	1	2	3	4	5
<b>Quality of the presentation:</b> Was the presentation clear (no jargon), logical, and concise? Understood by a non-scientific audience? Stayed on time?	1	2	3	4	5
<b>Quality of the presenter:</b> Enthusiastic, good stage presence, and confident?	1	2	3	4	5
<b>Quality of the Slide:</b> Was the PowerPoint slide well- organized, insightful, and attractive?	1	2	3	4	5

- The judge's verdict is final.