Poster Specifications

Poster boards will be oriented in in portrait format.
Poster size should measure 118.9 cm high by 84.1 cm wide (A0).

Conferences give us the chance to share ideas on an informal basis (i.e., apart from published materials) and to make contact with new colleagues who might share our research interests, often leading in fruitful new directions. Poster sessions allow authors to present papers and meet with interested colleagues for in-depth technical discussions. It is important that you display your message clearly and strikingly so as to attract people who might have an interest in your paper. During the course of the conference, many of papers and posters will be presented, and thus you must work hard to make your material stand out in the crowd. We hope that these guidelines will improve your ability to achieve that important goal.

Poster Preparation Suggestions

*   For your poster, a board will be provided. Time will be allowed for each presentation to be mounted before the start of the poster session. It is advisable to bring push pins or velcro, although a limited supply will be available.
*   The title of your poster should appear at the top in large letters. Poster titles using a font size of 60 point or larger will stand out and be easy to read. The minimum font size for poster titles should be 40 point. Below the title you may wish to put the author(s)' name(s) and affiliation(s).
*   People will not read a lot of text, and certainly won't read standard journal-sized text. Try to use an easy-to-read font and keep the font size of important points to 24 - 40 point if possible. The smallest text on your poster should be at least 18 point.
*   Studies show that flowing text written in all capital letters is hard to follow; it is better to use bold print than all caps, though you are then limited on making those bold-type statements that will stand out from the rest of your text.
*   Carefully and completely prepare your poster in advance of the conference. Try tacking up the poster before you leave for the meeting to see what it will look like and to make sure that you have all of the necessary pieces.
*   The flow of your poster should be from the top left to the bottom right.
*   You may wish to use color for highlighting and to make your poster more attractive.
*   Use pictures, diagrams, cartoons, figures, etc., rather than text wherever possible. Use of color in your graphics will enhance your poster.
*   Your poster should cover the key points of your work. It need not attempt to include all the details; you can describe them to people who are interested. The ideal poster is designed to attract attention, provide a brief overview of your work, and initiate discussion.
*   You may wish to prepare a short introduction of about 2-3 minutes that you can periodically give to those assembled around your poster. You may give this talk several times during your poster session.

Timely collection of posters at the end of the conference is your responsibility.