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Call for the most outstanding oral communications and posters of the 5th IRBLleida Annual Scientific Symposium (2025)

The 5th Annual Scientific Symposium of the Biomedical Research Institute of Lleida (IRBLleida) will take place on December 12th, 2025, at La Llotja de Lleida. **The Symposium aims to enhance the visibility of the research conducted by the various research groups of IRBLleida.** Participants will present the Institute's research areas and their most recent findings through posters and oral communications.

The Organising Committee of the Annual Scientific Symposium of IRBLleida encourages everyone to take part.

The submission guidelines for the presentation of abstracts for both posters and oral communications are as follows:

1. Nominations

Researchers currently affiliated to the IRBLleida.

The IRBLleida, committed to promoting the dissemination of research within the scientific community, announces **one prize of €400 for the most outstanding oral communication** and **five awards of €100 each for the most outstanding posters** presented on December 12th, 2025, at the 5th Annual Scientific Symposium of the Institute.

2. Submission Guidelines

General Instructions for Abstract Submission:

- All researchers wishing to participate in either a poster presentation or an oral communication must submit an abstract.
- **Each participant may submit only one abstract, either for a poster presentation or for an oral communication.**
- All abstracts must be submitted through the registration form: <https://www.irblleida.org/en/forms/irblleida-annual-scientific-symposium-2025/>
- During submission, the presenting author will find a section to upload the abstract in PDF format and to select the preferred presentation type (poster or oral communication).
- The deadline for abstract submission is **November 24th, 2025, at 23:59 h.** Late submissions will not be accepted.
- Abstracts must not exceed **300 words** (excluding title, authors, and affiliations) and must be written in English.

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- It is recommended that abstracts include the following sections: **title, authors** (with the presenting author clearly indicated), **affiliations, background, objectives, materials and methods, results, and conclusions**.
- Abstracts from previous years will not be accepted.

Instructions for Poster Presentation:

- All abstracts submitted for poster presentations will be exhibited at the Annual Symposium taking place on December 12th, 2025. If the number of submitted posters exceeds the available space, the Scientific Committee will select those to be presented based on their scientific quality.
- The content of all poster presentations must be in English.
- The presentation to the evaluators should not exceed 5 minutes.
- A poster may not be presented by more than one author.
- Poster panels measure 90 cm (width) × 190 cm (height).
- All posters must be sent to Meritxell Soria (comunicacio@irblleida.cat) in PDF format before **December 9th, 2025**, and brought in printed form on the day of the Symposium.

Instructions for Oral Communication:

- The Scientific Committee will select the five most outstanding oral communications based on the quality of the abstracts and ensuring representation from all main research areas of the Institute.
- The selected oral communications will be announced on **November 29th, 2025**, via email to the presenting author.
- The duration of each oral communication will be **15 minutes (10 minutes for the presentation and 5 minutes for questions)**.
- All oral communications must be delivered in English.
- Abstracts not selected for oral communication will be eligible for poster presentation.

3. Evaluation of the proposals submitted

The selection of the **most outstanding posters** will be based on the public vote of registered conference participants (25%) and on the evaluation of a jury composed of members of the Scientific Committee (75%), in accordance with the established criteria. A voting system for attendees will be available on the day of the Symposium, and only one vote per person will be allowed.

The selection of the **most outstanding oral communication** will follow the same procedure: 25% based on the public vote of registered participants and 75% on the jury's evaluation, in accordance with the established criteria. A voting system for attendees will be available on the day of the Symposium, and only one vote per person will be allowed.

The jury will assess the rigour, content, and scientific relevance of the research, as well as the clarity

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and communication skills of the presenting author. The jury's decision will be announced at the closing ceremony, where the prizes will also be awarded.

4. Awards

- Six awards will be delivered:
 - Five prizes of **€100 each** for the most outstanding posters.
 - One prize of **€400** for the most outstanding oral communication.
- The monetary value of the awards will be transferred via bank deposit to the presenting author.
- The awards will be announced on December 12th, 2025, at the Annual Scientific Symposium of the Biomedical Research Institute of Lleida (IRBLleida).
- **Attendance at the Symposium** is mandatory to receive the prize.
- If a winner is not present at the award ceremony, the prize will be awarded to the next eligible candidate.

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