



The Obesity Society Annual Conference sessions and posters present innovative research on the latest breakthroughs in clinical science. These sessions provide notable exposure and recognition for studies likely to have a significant impact on clinical practice. Abstracts submitted via the online application process for regular and late-breaking abstracts are expected to contain study design and the major trial results. Data submitted will be treated as strictly confidential by The Obesity Society and its individual reviewers.

Embargo Policies

Clinical trial results are embargoed for the time of an Obesity Society-sponsored news media activity or the date and time of presentation, whichever comes first. Clinical trial sponsors must comply with embargo guidelines established by The Obesity Society. It is essential to recognize that presentations at unofficial satellite meetings or unofficial press conferences before the scheduled session are not allowed. The pre-conference Pharmacotherapy Update is an official Obesity Society event and this embargo policy does not apply to that session. The embargo policy will be strictly enforced.

Policy Exceptions

Industry announcements required by the Security Exchange Commission are allowed and will not be considered an embargo break; however, no trial results or data may be revealed or implied.

Closed investigator meetings for participants in the trial are also allowed. Graphics (slide or print) that contain key trial results should be kept to a minimum and not distributed. Media or other outside parties may not be invited to these events.

The Obesity Society reserves the right to post abstracts on the Annual Meeting website prior to the conference to assist attendees in itinerary planning. The abstracts will not be posted more than one week in advance of the opening day of the meeting available for registered attendees only.

Simultaneous Journal Publication of Clinical Trials

Simultaneous publication of research is acceptable and encouraged as long as the embargo policies of The Obesity Society and the involved journals are coordinated. If a clinical trial has been submitted to and accepted for publication, the presenter is responsible for ensuring that the journal editor respects The Obesity Society publication embargo policy. Publication of a clinical trial either in print or on a journal website prior to presentation at a Scientific Session will necessitate withdrawal of the trial from the program.