Dear Speakers,

On behalf of the AAST, congratulations once again on having your terrific scientific work being selected for presentation at our Annual meeting in Chicago this year!

As the meeting quickly approaches, I wanted to reach out regarding the submission of visual abstracts that will be required with all manuscripts being submitted by the JULY 8 deadline.

We realize that a variety of experiences around the utilization of Visual Abstracts exist, the communications committee would like to provide you with an [open access primer](https://static1.squarespace.com/static/5854aaa044024321a353bb0d/t/5a527aa89140b76bbfb2028a/1515354827682/VisualAbstract_Primer_v4_1.pdf) created by Dr. Andrew Ibrahim that highlight tips and tricks to follow as you create the Visual Abstract.

With respect to the coloring schematic for the Visual Abstract, please using the required following background template ([link](https://www.aast.org/Assets/e5e02a8c-e711-49f4-b323-e4739dd4c8e7/637915817304130000/2022-slide-background-pptx))

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to reach out to breasanders@aast.org.

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