



### ISN World Congress of Nephrology (WCN'26) Abstract Embargo Policy

All abstracts submitted to the congress are considered confidential from submission until the date and time when ISN makes the abstract publicly available.\*

All accepted and confirmed abstracts will be published as an open-access supplement to *Kidney International Reports* (KIR) prior to WCN'26 (March 25, 2026) and as a poster at the congress. e-Posters will be available at the congress website as of the 1<sup>st</sup> day of the congress. A selection of abstracts will also be presented as oral abstracts in a scientific session.

*\*Abstracts submitted to other meetings in addition to the ISN World Congress of Nephrology are exempt from the embargo provided that they do not include updated information and on the declaration that re-submitting the abstract is permitted by the organizers of the previous meeting.*

The WCN'26 supplement to KIR will be visible at the congress website prior to WCN (see date above), and after the event. All times mentioned below reflect local times of the official congress location.

### Abstract Embargo Dates

The abstract embargo will be lifted when abstracts are published as an open-access supplement to *Kidney International Reports* (KIR) as detailed above.

For late-breaking clinical trial abstracts:

- Abstracts (as submitted during the submission process) will be published an open-access supplement to *Kidney International Reports* (KIR) prior to WCN'26 as detailed above.
- Information **supplementary** to the submitted abstract; additional analysis, commentary, or updated information from individuals and companies involved in the study, is embargoed as follows:
  - Supplementary information to abstracts selected for a **poster presentation** is embargoed until the first day of the congress.
  - Supplementary information to abstracts selected for presentation in the **Late-breaking/High Impact trial session(s)** is embargoed until the start of the resp. Late-breaking/High Impact trial session on March 29, 2026 or March 30, 2026.
  - e-Posters will be available at the congress website as of the 1<sup>st</sup> day of the congress. Authors of late-breaking clinical trial abstracts must ensure that the embargoed information in their e-Posters complies with the embargo guidelines detailed above.



## Confidentiality Policy

Abstracts submitted to the congress are considered confidential by the ISN, the authors, and research sponsors until publicly released as described above.

Prior to the poster/e-Poster/oral abstract presentation, the presenting author, co-authors, research sponsors and journalists may not:

- Make public the abstract content
- Publish, present, or provide abstract content to media outlets
- Use the information for trading purposes or provide it to others who can use it for trading purposes
- Congress organizers reserve the right to provide a press release a few days before public release to a selected list of journalists contractually obliged to respect the congress embargo policy.

If details or relevant information from the abstract or additional study data from the planned presentation are disclosed in advance of the congress release, the abstract may no longer be eligible for inclusion in the congress program.

## Confidentiality Policy Exemptions

Publicly traded companies may be granted an exemption to the embargo rules if legal counsel has advised that some data from the abstract must be disclosed to comply with national or international regulatory bodies. If exempt, the company may release specific data from the abstract on a case-by-case basis without voiding the eligibility for presentation at the congress.

To request an exemption, send an email to [abstractswcn@theisn.org](mailto:abstractswcn@theisn.org) with detailed information about the release's content, the required data, and a legal counsel letter showing how and why disclosure of information is necessary to comply with regulatory bodies.

If you have any questions about abstract embargos or applying for an exemption, please email [abstractswcn@theisn.org](mailto:abstractswcn@theisn.org).

## Media Policy

Any media outlet or press representative wishing to attend the congress or obtain official press releases from the congress organizers must strictly comply with all imposed embargoes.

Press representatives who receive embargoed material from the organizers understand that it is for their individual use and will not distribute the embargoed information to



anyone else before the official release. Embargoed material includes - but is not limited to - original journal articles, abstracts from scientific meetings, written news releases, audio news releases, video news releases, slides and any other materials associated with the scientific content being presented or published.

Embargoed material, results, and information relating to sessions at any meeting or event held by the congress organizers are strictly confidential and cannot be disclosed in any manner or for any purpose before the official lifting of the embargo.

Coverage of information that goes beyond that which is contained in the four corners of the abstract (e.g., additional analysis, commentary, or updated information from those individuals and companies involved in the study) is embargoed according to the following criteria:

For poster and oral abstracts, the embargo on **information supplementary to the abstract; additional analysis, commentary, or updated information from individuals and companies involved in the study** is lifted as per the Abstract Embargo Dates listed above.

It is imperative to contact the ISN for queries on embargoes before releasing any content to third parties. For questions on media policy, please contact [infowcn@theisn.org](mailto:infowcn@theisn.org).

## References

Any communication relating to an abstract accepted for presentation at WCN'26 must include the reference below:

*This data will be presented at the 2026 [ISN World Congress of Nephrology](#) (WCN'26). The World Congress of Nephrology (WCN) is the annual scientific, educational, and networking meeting of the International Society of Nephrology (ISN). The ISN is a global professional association dedicated to advancing kidney health worldwide since 1960 through education, grants, research, and advocacy."*

## Embargo Policy Parameters

The embargo restriction applies to all abstracts that are submitted and accepted for the congress, as well as any oral presentations or posters/E-posters that are presented at the congress.

The congress embargo restriction is lifted for abstracts **not accepted** for inclusion in the official congress program.