

Record Number of Abstracts Submitted to IAS 2007

The International AIDS Society is pleased to announce it has received a record number of abstracts for the 4th IAS Conference on HIV Pathogenesis, Treatment and Prevention, which will be held in Sydney, Australia from 22-25 July 2007.

Over 3,200 valid abstracts were submitted for consideration, and will be sent for blind peer-review. This represents more than a 50% increase in the number of abstracts submitted to the last IAS Conference held in Rio de Janeiro in 2005 (2,051).

Abstracts were received from researchers in 133 countries. The largest numbers of submissions were received from the following 15 countries, which together account for two-thirds of all submissions.

COUNTRY	AMOUNT
<i>As of 23 March</i>	
United States	360
India	329
Nigeria	226
Australia	192
Uganda	167
Brazil	145
Nepal	119
Canada	93
Spain	86
Italy	83
France	82
Argentina	78
United Kingdom	73
Thailand	68
Kenya	61

Abstract submissions by Track were as follow:

Track A: HIV Basic Science	561 (17%)
Track B: Clinical Research, Treatment and Care	1,972 (61%)
Track C: Biomedical Prevention	706 (22%)

Of the total, 59.3% of valid abstracts were submitted by men, 40.4% by women, and 0.2% by those identifying as transgender.

We are extremely pleased with this remarkable response to the IAS 2007 Call for Abstracts and are confident this will translate into a strong abstract-driven programme in Sydney. We hope to see you there!