

# xMAP<sup>®</sup> Connect Houston 2024 Poster Contest Official Rules

**INTRODUCTION:** The xMAP<sup>®</sup> Connect Poster Contest (“Contest”) is sponsored by Luminex Corporation (“Sponsor”) and will take place at xMAP Connect in Houston on October 30, 2024. These Official Rules apply to all participants in the Contest.

**ELIGIBILITY:** The Contest is open to scientific authors who present a poster at xMAP Connect in Houston on October 30, 2024. The poster must comply with all submission guidelines in these Official Rules to be eligible. Employees, dealers, or agents of Luminex Corporation or its affiliates are not eligible. Healthcare Professionals are not eligible. “Healthcare Professional” means any individual that in the course of their professional activities may directly or indirectly purchase, lease, recommend, administer, use, supply, procure or determine the purchase or lease of, or who may prescribe medical technologies or related services.

**HOW TO ENTER:** To enter the Contest, submit an abstract for the posters via the internet at <https://info.diasorin.com/research/xmap-connect-houston-abstracts>. The abstracts must be submitted no later than September 27, 2024 (the “Abstract Deadline”). The abstract can be no more than 3,000 characters total (including title, author, etc.) not including spaces, and must include:

- A title
- The author(s) and institution(s) involved
- An introductory sentence indicating the purpose(s) of the study
- A brief description of experimental methods or procedures
- A summary of your new or unpublished data
- A sentence about the conclusion(s)
- A statement about which xMAP<sup>®</sup> product(s) your study/method used and why you used them

Each participant who submits an abstract complying with these requirements by the Abstract Deadline will be eligible to present a poster on the study described in the abstract at xMAP Connect in Houston on October 30, 2024.

Posters must be on display in the poster exhibit area at xMAP Connect by 10:00 am on October 30, 2024 and remain on display until 5:00 pm on October 30, 2024. (“Poster Display Period”). Participants who have posters on display during this time will automatically be entered in the Contest subject to the terms and conditions of these Official Rules.

By submitting an abstract and poster, the participant represents that the content of the abstract and poster is participant’s own creation and is 100% original work; is not subject to, and does not infringe upon, the rights of any third parties, including without limitation privacy or publicity rights. If “non-original” text or media of any kind is used, the entrant must certify that permission has been granted by the authors, creators, or publishers of that content.

**WINNERS:** Three winners (“Winners”) will be selected from among all eligible participants during the Poster Display Period. Winners will be determined by a panel of judges who will evaluate the posters on the basis of: impact in their field (20%) scientific content (20%), concept/novelty (20%), use of techniques (20%), and value to the scientific community (20%). The percentages reflect how criteria are weighted. The Winners will be announced at the end of the scientific sessions onsite at xMAP Connect Houston 2024 on October 30, 2024. Winners must be present to win.

**PRIZE:** The first, second and third place Winners will receive an acknowledgement plaque.

**PUBLICITY:** Sponsor will announce and publish the names of the Winners. Acceptance of a prize constitutes the Winner’s consent for Sponsor and its affiliates to use the Winner’s name, likeness, and biographical information for advertising and/or promotional purposes worldwide and in all forms of media without further compensation or authorization.

**GOVERNING LAW:** This Contest shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the law of Texas without reference to its choice-of-law doctrines.