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**Lacombe, AB November 12-14, 2024**

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The 45<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Plant Pathology Society of Alberta will be held in person at the Best Western Plus Lacombe Inn & Suites, 4751 63<sup>rd</sup> Street, Lacombe, AB on **November 12-14, 2024**.

For early bird registration each registrant must submit a registration form, and if presenting, their titles for papers and/or posters to Sasha Chisholm ([sasha.chisholm@agr.gc.ca](mailto:sasha.chisholm@agr.gc.ca)) by October 16, 2024.

Registration fees can be paid by via e-transfer to: [PPSAAlberta.treasurer@gmail.com](mailto:PPSAAlberta.treasurer@gmail.com). Please indicate in the comments each name for the tickets and/or abstracts.

The late registration deadline is **October 29, 2024** and the abstract submission deadline is **October 29, 2024**. The early bird registration fee is **\$185, while the late registration fee is \$225**. The fee includes:

- Admission to the meeting
- Welcome reception, two lunches, health breaks and banquet dinner. The fee does not include breakfast. **We encourage all attendees to book accommodation at the Best Western hotel as it offers complimentary breakfast.**
- One year membership in the PPSA

For those wishing to publish their abstract(s) in the CJPP, the publishing fee will be **\$35** per abstract.

### **Call for Abstracts:**

Please prepare your abstract in Microsoft Word, using the abstract submission guidelines provided below.

### **Accommodations:**

55 rooms have been reserved at the Best Western Plus Lacombe Inn & Suites, under "Plant Pathology Society of Alberta" for accommodations on November 12<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup>. **Rooms will be held until October 15<sup>th</sup>. Please do not delay booking your hotel room!**

\*Rates are based on double occupancy, additional persons over the age of 12 will be an additional \$10 each. Standard double queen or standard king rooms are \$136 per night plus applicable tax. Note, complimentary breakfast is provided for guests staying at the hotel.

Please call **1 (403) 782-3535** to make your reservations and mention our PPSA meeting.



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**Proposed Schedule of Events**

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<b>Date &amp; Time</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Location</b>
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**Tuesday Nov 12<sup>th</sup>**

6:30-8:30pm	Registration & Poster Set up	Best Western Inn & Suites
7:30-9:00pm	Reception	Best Western Inn & Suites

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**Wednesday, Nov. 13<sup>th</sup> (Note all student and technical staff presentations will be on this date)**

7:00-8:00am	Breakfast (provided) Registration Poster set-up	Best Western Inn & Suites
8:30-8:45am	Welcome and opening remarks	Best Western Inn & Suites
8:45-10:00am	Paper session I	Best Western Inn & Suites
10:00-10:30am	Refreshment break	
10:30-12:00pm	Paper session II	Best Western Inn & Suites
12:00-1:30pm	Lunch (provided)	Best Western Inn & Suites
1:30-3:00 pm	Paper session III	Best Western Inn & Suites
3:00-3:30pm	Refreshment break	
3:30-5:00pm	Poster session	Best Western Inn & Suites

*Note: presenters must be at posters*

6:00-9:00pm	Banquet & Awards	Best Western Inn & Suites
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**Thursday, Nov. 14<sup>th</sup>**

8:00-10:00am	Breakfast & PPSA business meeting	Best Western Inn & Suites
10:00-10:30am	Refreshment Break	
10:30am -12:00pm	Sessions Continued	Best Western Inn & Suites
12:00pm	Adjourn	

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## **Call for Papers and Posters**

Participants presenting papers or posters should complete and submit the registration form to Sasha Chisholm (sasha.chisholm@agr.gc.ca) **no later than October 16, 2024** and indicate the title and format (poster or paper) of their presentation. Awards will be presented for best student and technician presentations (both oral and poster).

## **Abstract Submission**

Abstracts will be published in the conference proceedings. Additionally, participants are encouraged to submit abstracts for publication in the Canadian Journal of Plant Pathology (CJPP). All abstracts should be prepared according to the suggested CJPP format. For details regarding abstract formatting, please see the instructions for authors at:

<http://www.tandfonline.com/action/authorSubmission?journalCode=tcjp20&page=instructions>

Additional instruction for abstract preparation are found on page 5.

All abstracts must be reviewed by two colleagues knowledgeable in the area. The two reviewers should not be authors of the abstract. The authors should submit the final copy of their abstract(s) in electronic format to Sajid Rehman at: srehan@westerncropinnovations.com by **October 29, 2024** with the two reviewers' names indicated at the bottom.

For abstracts to be published in CJPP, a fee of **\$35** must be paid at the time of registration. All abstracts must conform to the CJPP instructions, regardless of whether they are published in CJPP or not.

## **Paper Presentation Guidelines:**

Oral presentations are allocated 12-15 minutes. Speakers should allow at least three minutes per presentation for questions/discussion. Presentations should be prepared using Microsoft PowerPoint.

## **Poster Presentation Guidelines:**

Posters will be affixed to poster boards. Materials (e.g. poster boards, pins, sticky tac or Velcro tabs) will be provided. The maximum poster size is 90 cm (wide) x 120 cm (tall) and should be set up in 'portrait mode'. The poster heading should include title, author(s), affiliation and location. For clarity, lettering of heading, tables and figures should be readable from 1.5 to 2 m distance.



## Abstract Format Submission to the Canadian Journal of Plant Pathology

- Word processor** - Microsoft Word preferred and save the document as the doc file instead of the docx one.
- Abstract font** - Times New Roman font and 12 point type preferred
- Abstract title** - In bold, scientific names bold and italicised  
- Only the first word of the title, proper names, and scientific names have the first letter capitalized
- Author names** - In normal font, initial(s) first, followed by last name (e.g. A.B. Smith and C.B. Jones)
- Affiliations** - In italics and need to include postal address and postal code (no abbreviations except for province or state names)  
- First affiliation should be that of the first author. If other authors have different affiliations, those affiliations should start with the author's initials, e.g. (C.B.J.)
- Abstract body** - In normal font with scientific names italicised  
- The maximum number of words for each abstract is 250, not including the title, author(s) and affiliation(s).  
- Scientific authorities are to be given for all scientific names the first time they are mentioned in the body of the abstract  
- Abbreviations, nomenclature, symbols for units of measurements, etc. are to conform to the requirements for manuscripts submitted to CJPP  
(<http://www.tandfonline.com/action/authorSubmission?page=instructions&journalCode=tcjp20&>)
- At the bottom of the abstract clearly indicate the following:**
- Names of two people other than the authors who have critically reviewed the abstract. When the abstracts are compiled for publication in CJPP, the reviewer information will be omitted
- Abstract fee:** - There is a \$35 fee for each abstract to be published in CJPP which will be due at the time of registration.