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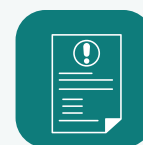
Location

**Marriott Isla Verde
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Date & Time

**December 1, 2026
8:00 AM**



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Format: Please prepare your abstract according to the guidelines and submit it using the following Google Form link:
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Before submitting, please ensure that your abstract:

- Does not exceed 250 words (excluding title, authors, affiliations, funding, and clinical trial information).
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- Includes the following sections in bold and uppercase: PURPOSE, METHODS, RESULTS, and CONCLUSION.
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- Includes IRB/IACUC approval information, if applicable.
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Registration: The presenting author must register using the same email used for abstract submission.

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Keywords: Indicate up to three keywords

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Abstract Body

Purpose

State the scientific background and the central question, hypothesis, or discovery motivating the study. Explain the relevance to microbiome research.

Methods

Briefly describe the objective, experimental design, sample source, and analytical methods used. Follow figure format.

Results

Present key findings. Preliminary data are acceptable. Do not include tables or figures.

Conclusion

Summarize the main conclusions and significance of the findings, and briefly describe implications or future directions.

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Hidden Bonds: The Intricate World of Microbiome Symbioses



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Topic: Women's Health



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Topic: Venom–Microbiome Interactions












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