



## COLLABORATIVE RESEARCH PROPOSAL SUBMISSION FORM

The Asia Pacific Spine Society (APSS) Research Committee's mission is to promote academic excellence and integrity within APSS. It provides a platform for members to pool data and generate international collaborative projects. By doing so, it hopes to raise the academic standards of society and optimize research output.

Kindly fill in the following required details:

**(A) Title of the proposed collaborative research**

*\*Kindly be reminded that single-center studies will not be accepted*

*(Please keep within the space provided)*

**(B) Please state the aim/ hypothesis of the proposed research**

*\*Please state the primary questions for your research*

*(Please keep within the space provided)*

**(C) Briefly describe the collaborative conduct of the proposed research**

*\*Please state how the research answer the questions stated in (B)*

*(Please keep within the space provided)*



**(D) Please list the spine centre including your own center, and name of the surgeon, that will be collaborating in this research**

*\*While the involvement of more centers is recommended, kindly be reminded that the listed centres should have already consented to be part of this proposed research.*

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| 1. (Name of spine centre / Name of surgeon) |
| 2. (Name of spine centre / Name of surgeon) |

**(E) Please select either one of the options below regarding data ownership:**

- Yes, I understand and **agree** that the APSS and investigators co-own the data, and the APSS must be acknowledged in this study
- No, I **disagree** that the APSS and investigators co-own the data, and the APSS must be acknowledged in this study

**(F) Please select the options below regarding online data entry form:**

- I will create the online data entry form for the research
- I would appreciate the APSS' assistance to create the online data entry form via RedCap for the research. The creator of this entry form will be a collaborator in this study.

**(G) Kindly enclose your full research proposal as attachment with this form during submission.**

- Yes, as attached

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**Thank you for completing the submission form.**

Kindly be informed that Research Committee will assess the submission considering the following important factor:

- ✓ Inclusion of APSS members
- ✓ Novelty and clinical impact
- ✓ Methodological feasibility
- ✓ Agreement to data ownership

If necessary, the Research Committee will return with recommendation of new collaborators where they find best suited for the aim of the proposed research. Upon your approval and further deliberation, the Research Committee will inform the final status of the submission. The whole process will consume at least 14 working days. We greatly appreciate your kind understanding and patience.

**Important Note:** Please note that authorship should be decided by the investigators prior to commencing the study. The APSS is not responsible for deciding or settling any authorship issue.

Please return the duly-filled form to the APSS Secretariat at [spine@apssonline.org](mailto:spine@apssonline.org). Should you have any enquiry, please feel free to contact us.

**Thank you for your support.**