



10TH INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON WILDLIFE FERTILITY CONTROL

Bridging The Gap: From Science to Management
April 23-24, 2026 Barcelona, Spain



CALL *for* ABSTRACTS

The Botstiber Institute for Wildlife Fertility Control (BIWFC) is proud to host the 10th International Conference on Wildlife Fertility Control, April 23-24, 2026, at the Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona, Spain. This conference is a continuation of previous international forums on wildlife fertility control and the role that fertility control can play in mitigating human-wildlife conflicts. The BIWFC's goal is to bring together professionals from a range of disciplines to share the latest information available.

The theme of this conference is ***Bridging the Gap: From Science to Management***. The conference will focus on identifying and bridging the gaps that exist to transitioning scientific data into practical strategies for implementation.

The conference will include organized sessions, oral presentations and poster presentations. We invite you to submit abstracts on the topics shown on the right. Wherever possible, abstracts should incorporate or refer to the conference theme.

Topics

- Research/Development/Refinement
 - * Agents
 - * Techniques
 - * Identification systems
 - * Delivery systems
- Field research trials/Pilot projects (ongoing or completed)
- Management Applications (ongoing or completed)
- Fertility Control and Wildlife Diseases
- Science Communication
- Animal Health and Welfare/Ethics
- Economics
- Population/Impacts Modelling
- Human Dimensions of Wildlife
- Social, Regulatory and/or Legislative Challenges and Concerns

Presentation Types

Organized Sessions consist of a series of presentations on a specific topic or issue. Organizers can request sessions for 3-5 presentations. Each presentation is 20 minutes, which includes 15 minutes for the presentation and 5 minutes for questions. Organized sessions may include panel discussions. Organizers should indicate the sponsoring organization/s of the proposed session.

Oral Presentations should illustrate completed projects or completed phases of a long-term project. Each oral presentation is scheduled for 20 minutes, which includes 15 minutes for the presentation and 5 minutes for questions.

Posters can include results from completed projects, projects in progress, and/or proposed projects. Presenters will display a printed version of their poster during the conference's posters sessions. Some posters may be selected for scheduled "quick talks" (5 minutes) during the conference sessions.

Instructions for Submitting Abstracts

Abstracts should reference one of the listed conference "Topics" and may contain data already published or presented within the last three years or accepted for publication at the time of abstract submission. Abstracts should be single spaced and no longer than 400 words. Use Times New Roman 12pt. font. (See example set forth below).

Abstracts are to be submitted electronically to:

Monique Principi

BIWFC's Managing Director at:

mprincipi@botstiber.org

Abstracts will be reviewed by the BIWFC's Conference Committee according to merit, relevance and general interest. The journal *Human Wildlife Interactions* will produce a conference-based issue. After the conference, presenters may submit their papers for consideration.

The Abstract example is below.

Instructions for writing the abstract for the 10th International Conference on Wildlife Fertility Control

¹Johnson, S., ²Shakespeare, W., ³Watson, J. D., ⁴Einstein, A.

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The instructions for preparing the abstract to the 10th International Conference on Wildlife Fertility Control should follow the format of this example regarding font style and size, spacing, title, list of authors, and maximum length. Identification of species, in the title or the abstract body should include the common name, such as humans, followed by the scientific name in italics. Thus, it would appear as humans (*Homo sapiens*). If any commercial products are identified in the abstract, they should be followed by the manufacturer's organization, in parentheses. The abstract should present the aims, the methods used, the results, and a conclusion that is supported by the results. Avoid including any figures, table or references in the abstract body. If required, acknowledgements for funding source may be included in parenthesis after conclusions.

Important Dates

Deadlines

Organized Session Deadline: **September 1, 2025**
Oral/Poster Presentation Deadline: **September 15, 2025**

Notice of Decision

Due to time/space limitations we will not be able to accept all papers and posters submitted. Notice of decision for organized sessions will be by **October 1, 2025**. Notice of decision on oral/poster presentations will be by **November 1, 2025**, via email.

Registration

All accepted presenters **MUST** register and pay the appropriate conference registration fee. The conference registration will include access to all conference sessions, a welcome reception, coffee breaks, and lunches. Registration opens in early November 2025. Information will be posted on the BIFWC website: [2026 International Conference on Wildlife Fertility Control](#). **Early Bird registration, which includes a \$50 discount, is strongly encouraged.**

Travel Grants

A limited number of travel grants will be available. Awards will be made on the basis of demonstrated need and on the merit of the submitted abstract, with preference given for student submissions. Requests for financial travel aid should accompany abstracts. Travel Grant application forms will be available on the BIWFC website: [2026 International Conference on Wildlife Fertility Control](#)

Questions?

For questions about the call for abstract process, please contact **Jennifer Melendez** at jmelendez@botstiber.org and for all other conference questions, please contact **Carolyn Rauch** at crauch@botstiber.org.

