

11th Annual UW-Madison Postdoctoral Research Symposium

2026 Blitz Talk Guidelines

Blitz Talk Abstract Submission

Abstract submissions are **due Friday, July 31**.

Your abstract should be ~300 words and no more than 1 page.

Notification of acceptance will be sent in late August.

Blitz Talk Competition

- The competition will take place in the H.F. Deluca Forum in the Discovery Building in the afternoon of Friday, September 25, 2026.
- Your talk should be a 4–5-minute (max) research talk that will engage a general audience.
- Keep the technical terms to a minimum—postdocs from all areas, including arts and humanities, and biological, physical and social sciences will be present.
- The topic can be a broad overview of your research or a single study.
- Questions will follow, please keep responses brief (1 minute).
- Slides are allowed but not required. Upon acceptance, you will be asked to submit any slide(s) prior to the symposium.
- The winners of the competition will be announced at the end of the symposium. They will receive a travel award.

Questions?

Contact the Postdoc Symposium Committee (uwpa@postdoc.wisc.edu).