



Exhibitor Prospectus

Exhibit Dates: April 19-22

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PLEASE JOIN US AT THE AACR ANNUAL MEETING 2026

The Premier Educational and Networking Event for Specialists in the Field of Cancer Research

We invite you to participate in the AACR Annual Meeting 2026 in San Diego, CA. This is the world's preeminent event where the latest and most exciting discoveries in cancer research are presented. This forum provides a unique opportunity for members of the worldwide cancer research community to discover, interact, and collaborate.

The mission of the AACR is to prevent and cure cancer through research, education, communication, and collaboration. Through its programs and services, the AACR fosters research in cancer and related biomedical science; accelerates the dissemination of new research findings among scientists and others dedicated to the conquest of cancer; promotes science education and training; and advances the understanding of cancer etiology, prevention, diagnosis, and treatment throughout the world.

Join us in San Diego, CA at The San Diego Convention Center from April 17-22, 2026 (Exhibits April 19-22) to meet with over 23,000 scientists and other cancer professionals who are projected to attend from around the world. AACR Annual Meeting attendees are laboratory scientists and clinical investigators specializing in all aspects of cancer research including experimental therapeutics, molecular targeted therapies, chemistry, molecular biology and genetics, immunology and immunotherapy, tumor biology, virology, toxicology, prevention, and clinical and translational research.

TOP REASONS TO EXHIBIT



- **Connect** with more than 23,000 scientists and other cancer professionals from around the world.
- **Target** highly influential decision makers and opinion leaders.
- **Interact** face to face with cancer research professionals from across the U.S. and around the world.
- **Build** visibility for your company in a competitive marketplace.
- **Expand** your prospect base.
- **Strengthen** existing customer relationships.
- **Introduce** new products and services.
- **Generate** new sales leads.
- **Give** product demonstrations.
- **Exhibitor-only** benefits.

Benefits to AACR Exhibitors

- Access to over 23,000 cancer research professionals.
- Opportunity to hold a presentation at the Exhibitor Spotlight Theater, which is promoted by AACR in the Mobile App, signage, and social media. Exhibitor Spotlight Companies also receive one complimentary registration email through our third party Registration Company to help promote their presentation. Limited slots available.
- Opportunity to rent an Exhibitor Meeting Room in the convention center for your meeting needs.
- Traffic Builders - Explore!, TrafficMax, Enhanced Refreshment Breaks, Headshot Lounge, Wellness Lounge, Coffee Breaks, and more.
- Four (4) complimentary exhibitor booth personnel registrations per 10' x 10' booth. Additional badges available at \$100 each.
- Listing in the AACR Annual Meeting Mobile App. This complimentary listing directs attendees to your booth.
- Advertising opportunities on site and various other AACR publications.
- Representation by the Exhibitor Advisory Committee.
- Monthly Exhibitor e-Bulletin, which contains helpful tips, resources, and reminders.

PRESS COVERAGE AND SOCIAL MEDIA



Attracting Journalists Worldwide, Generating Major News Coverage

The AACR is the authoritative resource and voice for cancer research, and the AACR Annual Meeting garners the best in national and international news coverage. The AACR Annual Meeting 2025 attracted more than 180 registered reporters and generated more than 6,400 media clips in leading consumer and trade outlets such as *The New York Times*, *TIME*, *The Washington Post*, CNN, NBC News and STAT, among many others. All abstracts accepted for presentation at the meeting will be considered for inclusion in the official AACR Annual Meeting 2026 press program. For more information, please contact Julia Gunther at julia.gunther@aacr.org or Rick Buck at rick.buck@aacr.org.

Utilizing Social Media to Amplify the Conversation

The AACR Annual Meeting 2025 also generated significant social media activity in the cancer research community. Social media highlights included:

3,850+

PEOPLE JOINING THE CONVERSATION ON X

16,000+

POSTS ABOUT THE MEETING

636.6

MILLION IMPRESSIONS (RECORD HIGH)

Social media users who are interested in the AACR Annual Meeting 2026 are encouraged to follow and use the meeting hashtag: **#AACR26**.

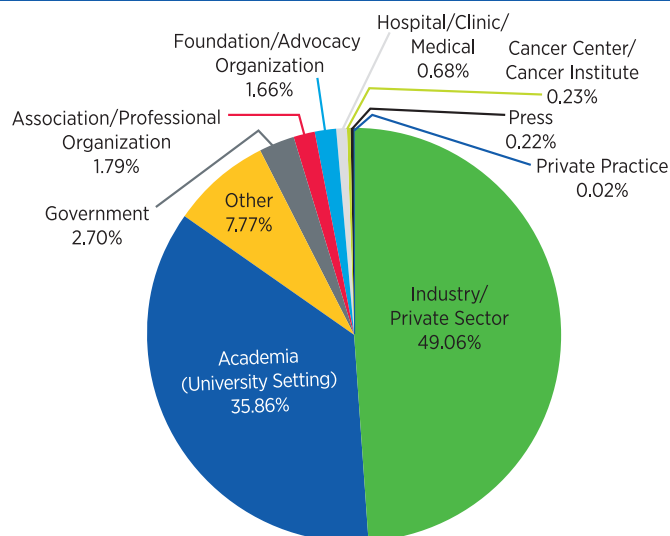
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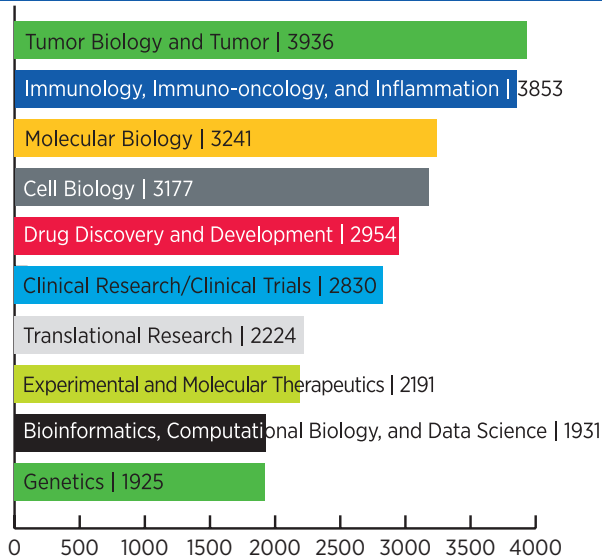
Attendance

2025	Chicago, IL	22,106 (in-person and virtual attendance)
2024	San Diego, CA	23,228 (in-person and virtual attendance)
2023	Orlando, FL	21,706 (in-person and virtual attendance)
2022	New Orleans, LA	19,325 (In-person and virtual attendance)
2019	Atlanta, GA	21,200
2018	Chicago, IL	22,600
2017	Washington, DC	17,624
2016	New Orleans, LA	16,470

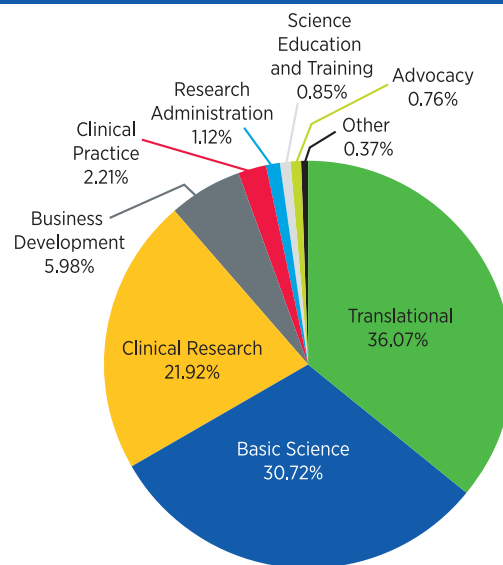
Sector*



Areas of Interest*†



Professional Scientific Research Focus*



Top Ten States Represented*

California	17.89%
Massachusetts	11.65%
New York	8.17%
Texas	8.12%
Illinois	6.53%
Maryland	6.16%
Pennsylvania	4.28%
Florida	3.32%
New Jersey	2.93%
Ohio	2.28%

Top Ten Countries Represented*

United States of America	69.36%
South Korea	4.44%
China	4.09%
Japan	2.89%
United Kingdom	2.72%
Canada	2.41%
Germany	2.10%
France	1.39%
Switzerland	1.17%
Taiwan	0.98%

*Stats are from 2025

†Multiple responses

GENERAL INFORMATION



Exhibits Show Schedule

Hours are subject to change. Set up, tear down and registration hours will appear in the Exhibitor Service Kit and Exhibitor Bulletins.

Registration Hours

Friday, April 17	8:00 a.m.–6:00 p.m.
Saturday, April 18	7:00 a.m.–6:00 p.m.
Sunday, April 19	7:00 a.m.–6:00 p.m.
Monday, April 20	7:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.
Tuesday, April 21	7:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.
Wednesday, April 22	7:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.

Exhibit Show Dates and Times

Sunday, April 19	12:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m.
Monday, April 20	9:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.
Tuesday, April 21	9:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.
Wednesday, April 22	9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.

Poster Session Dates and Times

Sunday, April 19	2:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m.
Monday, April 20	9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.; 2:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m.
Tuesday, April 21	9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.; 2:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m.
Wednesday, April 22	9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.

Exhibit Hall Move-in*

Thursday, April 16	12:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m.
Friday, April 17	8:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.
Saturday, April 18	8:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.

*Early and late Move-in by request only with the Exhibits Team approval.

Exhibit Hall Move-out*

Wednesday, April 22	12:30 p.m.–5:00 p.m.
Thursday, April 23	8:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.

*Booths in Hall G need to be dismantled by Wednesday, April 22.

GENERAL INFORMATION *(cont'd)*

Exhibit Space Fees

Inline Space	\$4,650
Corner Charge	\$200 per corner
Premium*	\$4,850
Island Booth	\$48.50 per square foot
Non-Profit Booth**	\$1,200

*Opposite Posters, Coffee Breaks, Wellness Lounge, or AACR Central.

**For booths providing information only about grants or educational materials.

Inline exhibit space packages include:

- 8' high back drape and 3' high black side drape booth dividers.
- Booth identification sign with company name and booth number.
- 24-hour general security in the exhibits.
- Aisle carpeting and nightly vacuuming of aisles.

Meeting Venue

The AACR Annual Meeting 2026 will be held at The San Diego Convention Center in San Diego, CA

Exhibits	Halls A-G
Registration	Lobby D
Exhibitor Lounge	Mezzanine Level above Halls B and C
Exhibitor Management Office	Mezzanine Level above Halls B and C
Exhibitor Spotlight Theaters	Sails Pavilion
Exhibitor Meeting Rooms	Sails Pavilion above the Exhibit Hall
Poster Sessions	Halls B, C, and G
Concessions	Throughout the Exhibit Hall
Opening Ceremony	Hall H
Plenary Sessions	Hall H
Educational Sessions	Upper Level and Mezzanine

Assignment of Space

Booth space assignment is based on a priority point system.

NEW IN 2027

Exhibitor priority points will only be based on the past 5 years of participation. All points accrued prior to the past 5 years will not be taken into consideration. Priority points are established as follows:

- One point for each 100 square feet of space.
- One point for each prior year of participation.
- One point for every \$25,000 spent in Annual Meeting sponsorships (Five points for \$100,000).
Max of five points permitted.
- Five points for Sustaining Members.
- Eight points for Sustaining Members at the Strategic Level.
- Ten points for Sustaining Members at the Leadership Level.

Note: When companies merge or are involved in a buyout, the new company will receive the highest number of points that have been earned by either company.

Application and Floor Plan

Exhibit booth space is available on a first-come first-served basis. Exhibit space may be reserved by first time exhibitors by selecting the "I Don't Have a Booking Code" option. Return exhibitors can email the Exhibits Team for their Booking Code. A completed application for exhibit space using the online system, along with appropriate payment, must be received before an application is approved and space is assigned. Booth confirmations will be emailed to approved Exhibitors in a reasonable timeframe after the application submission.

[Most Updated Floor Plan Link](#)

GENERAL INFORMATION *(cont'd)*

Important Deadlines

Dates are subject to change. Be sure to check the Exhibitor Service Kit and Exhibitor Bulletins for any updates.

September 2025

- September Affiliate Group request form available.
- September 9 Exhibitor Housing opens for exhibitors that have submitted applications with 100% of the booth fee.
- September 15 Final payment for booth space due. All applications must be submitted with 100% booth fee before booth space will be assigned.

November 2025

- November Exhibitor Registration open.
- November 3 If an exhibitor reduces or cancels their booth, they are responsible for the entire booth fee. No refunds will be issued.
- Exhibitors who sign up after November 3 have 30 days to cancel for a partial refund. Exhibitor is responsible for 50% of their booth fee.

December 2025

- December Exhibitor Service Kit available.

February 2026

- February 13 Deadline to submit Exhibitor Spotlight Theater content for app and approval.
- Deadline to submit an application for an Exhibitor Spotlight Theater if slots available.
- Deadline to submit Exhibitor-Appointed Contractor Registration.
- Deadline to submit Island Booth Renderings (if applicable).

- February 13 Deadline to submit Certificate of Liability Insurance Form for Exhibitor Appointed Contractor.

Deadline to submit Booth Activity Form (if applicable).

Deadline to submit Giveaway Items Form (if applicable).

Deadline to submit an application for an Exhibitor Meeting Room (if applicable).

- February 27 Deadline to submit request for Affiliate Space to receive discount.

March 2026

- March 6 Deadline to submit Exhibitor Rooming Lists to CMR (Convention Management Resource).
- Last day to request housing and make changes based on availability.
- March 16 Advance shipments to the warehouse to begin.
- Discount order deadline for Freeman.

April 2026

- April 7 Deadline for advance warehouse receiving.
- April 10 Housing reservation changes and cancellations must be made directly with the hotel(s).
- April 16 On-site shipments accepted at the San Diego Convention Center.
- April 17 Exhibitor Registration opens at the San Diego Convention Center.

Updates to be provided in Exhibitor Bulletins and Exhibitor Checklist through the Exhibitor Portal.

GENERAL INFORMATION *(cont'd)*

Eligibility Requirements

The AACR is committed to providing a quality exhibition. Exhibits will be limited only to the company and the product(s) listed on the application and are subject to approval by the AACR Exhibits Committee for accepted and acknowledged effectiveness and commercial availability. Only the sign of the company whose name appears on the contract may be placed in the booth or appear on any printed list of exhibitors. The AACR reserves the right to accept or reject a potential exhibitor based on its assessment of whether that company or organization's products and/or services are relevant to AACR members and their meeting attendees. All exhibits will be reviewed onsite.

Full documentation as to the extent and results of any research done on the exhibited items must be available at the company's booth throughout the AACR Annual Meeting. All exhibited items must comply with local, state, and FDA regulations, and must be related to cancer research.

Non-Profit Exhibitors

Exhibit space at the Non-Profit rate is limited. The AACR Exhibits Committee has the responsibility of approving applications for not-for-profit exhibitors. The organization must be a government entity or must be recognized by the IRS as a 501(c)3 charitable organization. The organization must have demonstrated support for cancer research through financial contributions or provisions of infrastructure. The organization may not offer a product or service for sale on the exhibit floor.

The Non-Profit rate is only available to booths in the Non-Profit Section. When space is no longer available in the Non-Profit Section, or organization chooses to be placed in another location on the floor, full exhibit rates will apply. Any organization reserving two or more booths in the Non-Profit Section will pay the Non-Profit rate for the first booth and full rate for any additional space.

New Exhibitors

Companies applying for exhibit space that have never exhibited at the AACR Annual Meeting will need to go through an approval process. The potential exhibitor is required to submit an application for exhibit space, a product summary form, and company literature, which is sent to the AACR Exhibits Committee. The booth chosen by the company is put on hold during the approval period. The company is notified of the Committee's decision in a timely manner. Upon approval, the application is processed, and the booth is released to the company. Upon rejection, the application is denied, and the booth is released back into inventory.

Booth Relocation Policy

Every effort will be made not to relocate an exhibitor's booth. However, should relocation be deemed necessary, the exhibitor will be notified and offered the opportunity to relocate their exhibit or cancel with no further penalty.

Payment Policy

The exhibitor agrees to submit deposit of 50% of the total fee with their online application. Payment can be made by either credit card (AMEX, Visa or MasterCard) or check in U.S. dollars, drawn on a U.S. bank payable to the American Association for Cancer Research®. All payments should be sent to:

AACR, 615 Chestnut Street, 17th Floor, Philadelphia, PA 19106, Attn: Finance Department. If you require wire transfer instructions, please reference the Terms and Conditions.

The final balance will be due 30 days from date of invoice or by September 15, 2025. Exhibitors that sign up after September 15 have 30 days to pay in full. Exhibitors who are not paid in full will not be listed in the mobile app. Any company with an outstanding balance and not paid in full by Thursday April 16, 2026, will not be able to set-up their exhibit or pick up badges.

Cancellations/Reductions*

Notification of booth space cancellation or space reduction* must be submitted in writing to exhibits@aacr.org. The following fees will apply to any cancellations or reductions in exhibit space:

- **After June 13, 2025**—Exhibitor is responsible for 25% of the total booth fee.
- **After November 3, 2025**—Exhibitor is responsible for the entire booth fee. No Refund will be issued.
- Exhibitors signed up after **November 3, 2025** have 30 days to cancel for a 50% refund.

Exhibitors that sign up after **November 3, 2025**, have 30 days to cancel for a partial refund, 50% of booth fee. After 30 days from receipt of booth space, Exhibitor is responsible for entire booth fee.

*Exhibitors that change the size of their exhibit space are not guaranteed the originally assigned location and are subject to relocation by the AACR and to the cancellation/reduction policy as stated above.

GENERAL INFORMATION *(cont'd)*

No Show Policy

In the event that an exhibiting company has not arrived on the exhibit floor by 5:00 p.m. on **Saturday, April 18** and has not been granted pre-approval for late set-up, the AACR reserves the right to use the vacant exhibit space as it sees fit, with no obligation to issue a refund. Any exhibit materials, either in the vacant booth or on the loading dock, for that exhibit space, will be placed in storage at the exhibitor's expense. Substitute booth space will be available at the discretion of the AACR. The exhibitor is responsible for all fees associated with removing freight from storage.

If an exhibitor requires additional time to set up beyond the hours listed, they must obtain permission from Management. Therefore, should special circumstances arise, and additional time is required for set up, please submit a request to the exhibits team at exhibits@aacr.org. Note: All exhibit booths must be show ready by 5:00 p.m. on **Saturday, April 18**.

Subletting and/or Sharing of Exhibit Space

No exhibitor may sublet, share, apportion, or assign all or any part of its exhibit space with or to another organization or business unless prior written consent has been obtained from AACR. If the exhibitor submits a written request prior to AACR Annual Meeting 2026, at its sole discretion, may grant exceptions to the following: a recent merger/acquisition; divisions of the same company and companies co-marketing a product. Exhibitors must provide to AACR written documentation of the particular relationship. AACR retains the right to remove from the exhibit halls any company or organization without a signed contract. Only those companies and organizations that are the authorized occupants of each exhibit space will be entitled to exhibitor badges and only those authorized companies will be included on published exhibitor lists.

An approved booth share will be charged an additional \$250 fee for each participating company. The minimum size booth to do a booth share is a 20' x 20'. For written approval and questions, please contact the Exhibits Team exhibits@aacr.org

Unofficial Housing and Registration Vendors

Please be aware that you may be contacted by telephone by companies or hotels claiming to be the official AACR Annual Meeting 2026 housing providers or magazine advertisers. Neither AACR nor CMR will call you to solicit reservations. You may receive emails regarding housing but note that the only official emails will come from an email address ending in AACR.org or CMR. All lodging for the AACR should be arranged using the links provided through the Exhibitor Resource Center or by calling the phone numbers on the AACR Annual Meeting 2026 page. If you are unsure of who has contacted you regarding your hotel reservations or an advertising opportunity, or if one of these scammers contacts you, please notify AACR as soon as possible by emailing exhibits@aacr.org.

AACR Annual Meeting 2026 Official Contractors

During the planning of this meeting, you will most likely receive emails, mailings and/or calls from companies using the AACR name to offer their booth displays, shipping, audio visual and other services. Please note that AACR evaluates and chooses vendors who offer superior service and quality products to exhibitors. Please be assured that AACR never provides AACR exhibitor lists to those other than official AACR Show Vendors. When evaluating a particular vendor, please be sure they display the official AACR Vendor Seal. Each official AACR Annual Meeting 2026 vendor is required to use the Official Vendor Seal on all forms and website landing pages. If you do not see this seal on a vendor reaching out to you, or if you receive an email or a phone call and are not sure if this is an official show vendor, please do not hesitate to **contact Tammy Berger, AACR Director, Exhibits at 215-440-9300, ext. 170, or via email at tammy.berger@aacr.org**.



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Exhibitor Advisory Committee

The AACR enlists the help and support of industry by maintaining an Exhibitor Advisory Committee (EAC) consisting of elected industry professionals who serve in an advisory capacity to the AACR. The Committee's goal is to foster communications and corporation between exhibitors and the association. Members of the EAC meet to find ways to improve the exhibits portion of the AACR Annual Meeting.

Members represent a broad cross-section of the exhibitor population. Company representatives interested in serving on the Exhibitor Advisory Committee should send requests to exhibits@aacr.org.

AACR Exhibits Committee

The AACR would like to thank the Exhibits Committee for their support of the AACR and the AACR Annual Meeting Exhibit Show. This committee is responsible for ensuring the content displayed by exhibiting companies meets the standards set forth by the AACR. All companies new to the AACR Annual Meeting Exhibit Show must go through a very thorough review process by submitting an application to exhibit, along with supporting documents. Please contact the Exhibits Team at exhibits@aacr.org, should you have any questions regarding this process or members of this committee.

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Additional appointments pending.

EXHIBITOR MARKETING OPPORTUNITIES



Continually Improving Your Marketing Experience

Every year AACR implements traffic building ideas suggested by our exhibitors. Now more than ever, with the Sunshine Act as well as industry-imposed PhRMA codes limiting the points of contact with healthcare professionals, the AACR is working with exhibitors to utilize every possible traffic building generator. Detailed information, such as pricing and order forms (if applicable) will be available on the Map Your Show Exhibitor Resource Center, which will be available in Fall of 2025. Please do not hesitate to contact exhibits@aacr.org for information on any of the following:

- Explore! (using the mobile app)
- Exhibitor Spotlight Theaters
- Exhibit Floor Plan Sponsorship Opportunities
- Exhibitor Meeting Rooms
- Wellness Lounge
- Headshot Lounge
- Poster Lounges
- Column Wraps
- Mobile Charging Stations throughout the convention center and exhibit hall
- Water Station Break
- Enhanced Refreshment Breaks
- “Where Are You From” Wall
- Advertising Opportunities (Including mobile app)

Pre- and Post-Meeting Registration Email Blasts (TrafficMax)

Pre-meeting email blasts increase booth traffic and exposure of your company’s products and services, while post-meeting communications can keep you in touch with the meeting attendees. Exhibitors have the option to send an email blast to the pre- and post-meeting registration lists through AACR’s TrafficMax. Information will be listed on the Map Your Show Exhibitor Resource Center in late Spring of 2026 or by contacting exhibits@aacr.org.

EXHIBITOR MARKETING OPPORTUNITIES *(cont'd)*

Advertising Opportunities

AACR Annual Meeting News and Out-of-Home Marketing

AACR Annual Meeting News, the official news source of the AACR Annual Meeting 2026, is available in a digital platform. TriStar is the required agency through which AACR exhibitors and non-exhibiting industry supporters must reserve out-of-home advertising opportunities. No other vendor may be used. Sponsors who book out-of-home advertisements outside of TriStar may lose priority points and the opportunity to participate in official AACR Annual Meeting sponsorships. Build traffic to your exhibit space by taking advantage of advertising opportunities in the official online daily news site and around San Diego. To learn more about AACR Annual Meeting News and the advertising offerings available, please contact Melanie Holt, Senior Media Strategist at TriStar Event Media at mholt@tristarpub.com or by phone at 913-491-4200, ext. 487. Visit the website for updated information.

Daily Alerts, the Official Mobile App, AACR Journals Print and Online Topical Collections

Advertise with AACR to promote your presence at the Annual Meeting! Digital advertising programs offer high visibility with attendees before, during, and following the Annual Meeting. Daily Alert Emails are sent each morning of the meeting and will feature breaking conference news and program updates. The Official Mobile App is utilized by attendees throughout the event to plan their schedules, network, and navigate the convention center. Mobile App opportunities include banner advertising and push notification alerts delivered directly to attendees at designated times each day. Increase your brand awareness and reach with a retargeting or geo-fence campaign to market your message to attendees on non-endemic sites throughout the Annual Meeting. Featured opportunities also include the Topical Collections. Available in print and distributed at the Annual Meeting, these article collections reflect the hot topics covered in the Annual Meeting. The Walchli Tauber Group is responsible for selling advertising in the Daily Alerts, Mobile App, Topical Collections, and any other advertising related to the AACR Journals. For information regarding these advertising opportunities, please contact Maura Paoletti, of The Walchli Tauber Group. She can be reached at maura.paoletti@wt-group.com or at 443-512-8899, ext. 110. More details such as rate cards and our media kit can be found on the AACR website: [AACR.org/meeting/aacr-annual-meeting-2026/exhibits/](https://aacr.org/meeting/aacr-annual-meeting-2026/exhibits/).

Both TriStar Event Media and The Walchli Tauber Group are the only official advertising vendors of the AACR Annual Meeting 2026. Before contracting your advertising, make sure the publication is official. If you have any question on legitimacy, contact the exhibits team exhibits@aacr.org.



SUPPORT AND SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES



The AACR Foundation welcomes support from individuals, corporations, foundations, and other organizations that share the AACR mission to prevent and cure cancer, and that are interested in helping to defray the costs of presenting this important meeting on the latest developments in cancer research.

Why Support?

- Target highly influential decision makers and opinion leaders.
- Interact face to face with cancer research professionals from across the U.S. and around the world.
- Build visibility for your company in a competitive marketplace.
- Demonstrate your organization's support of the lifesaving cancer research.

Benefits of Supporting the AACR Annual Meeting 2026

- Company name recognition on the AACR Annual Meeting 2026 Website
- Company name recognition on signage throughout the Convention Center
- Company name recognition in the AACR Annual Meeting 2026 Program Guide PDF and on the Virtual Platform.
- Priority points towards booth space location for the AACR Annual Meeting 2027 (five points maximum)
 - 1 point per \$25,000 investment
 - 5 points for \$100,000+ investment

- Invitations to the Partners in Progress Reception honoring AACR Foundation supporters

- **Supporters at the \$100,000 level or above will receive a banner advertisement on the Annual Meeting Virtual Platform homepage.**

Additional benefits are detailed in support opportunity descriptions throughout the prospectus.

Support Levels

The AACR Foundation will recognize supporters on signage and materials throughout the AACR Annual Meeting 2026. Supporters will be recognized based on their total sponsorship contribution and grouped into the following levels:

CURE:

\$300,000+

PROGRESS:

\$150,000-\$299,999

PROMISE:

UP TO \$149,999

To find out more about increasing your visibility to conference attendees and AACR members throughout the year and to gain additional priority points for preferred booth assignment at the Annual Meeting, **contact Julianna Latini at 215-446-7233 or at corporaterequests@aacr.org.**

EXHIBITOR SERVICES



Exhibitor Bulletin

The AACR exhibits team distributes a monthly Exhibitor Bulletin e-blast containing important upcoming deadlines, guidelines for exhibitors, and also highlights timely issues of interest.

Exhibitor Service Kit

The Exhibitor Service Kit will be available to all exhibitors in December through the Map Your Show Exhibitor Resource Center. This comprehensive kit will provide you with complete information on all contractor services, lead retrieval, labor and more.

Exhibitor Housing

Exhibitors who submit their exhibit space application with a 100% deposit will be able to make reservations or book a block of rooms when Exhibitor Housing opens this September.

Reservation requests are processed in the order in which they are received and from a protected block of rooms for exhibitors.

Exhibitors may not be permitted to reserve blocks at the Headquarter hotels.

Housing Deadline Dates

March 4, 2026

Rooming list deadline date for room blocks.

March 6, 2026

Last day to request housing based on availability.

April 8, 2026

Last day to make changes or cancel through CMR.

April 10, 2026

Reservation changes/cancellations must be made directly with the hotel(s).

Cancellation Policies

Individually booked reservations

72-hours prior to arrival.

Government Rated Rooms

Please call the AACR Housing Customer Contact Center directly to reserve a room.

AACR Housing Support Center

Monday–Friday, 9:00 a.m.–9:00 p.m. (Eastern Time)
6:00 a.m.–6:00 p.m. (Pacific Time)

888-381-7166 (Toll-Free U.S. and Canada)

+1-415-979-2262 (Outside U.S. and Canada)

The American Association for Cancer Research® has partnered with Convention Management Resources (CMR) as the official provider of Housing Services for the AACR Annual Meeting 2026. Exhibitors are strongly encouraged to book within the AACR block as we cannot guarantee any hotel reservations made directly with hotels or third party websites.

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Exhibitor Registration

- Exhibitor registration opens in November 2025.
- Exhibitors will receive four (4) complimentary badges per 100 square feet.
- Additional badges for exhibit personnel may be purchased for \$100 per badge.
- No Full Conference Registration badges are included in your booth space.
- Exhibitor Registration log-in credentials will only be sent to Official Exhibitor Contact.
- Badges will not be mailed in advance. Badges will be available onsite at Exhibitor Registration.
- Each person issued an exhibitor's badge must be employed by the exhibiting company.
- Badges must be worn at all times while in the exhibit hall.
- The exhibiting company will be responsible for the actions of anyone authorized to receive a badge under the exhibiting company's name.
- Exhibitors wishing to register for the Full Conference Registration will use the Attendee Registration site.
- Exhibitors who have submitted an abstract need to register for a Full Conference Registration badge to present their poster; you will not be permitted to present with an exhibit hall badge.

Full Conference Registrations

- No Full Conference Registration badges are included in your booth space.
- Exhibitors wishing to register for the Full Conference Registration will use the Attendee Registration site.
- Exhibitors who have submitted an abstract need to register for a Full Conference Registration badge to present their poster; you will not be permitted to present with an exhibit hall badge.

Lead Retrievals

CompuSystems, Inc., the official registration company, will once again offer Lead Retrieval Services to exhibiting companies. Additional information and application can be found exclusively through the Map Your Show Exhibitor Resource Center and Registration.

Shuttle Bus Service

AACR will provide shuttle bus service from designated AACR hotels. Information will be found on the AACR Annual Meeting webpages when available.

Exhibitor Lounge

There will be an Exhibitor Lounge provided by the AACR for all exhibitors during the AACR Annual Meeting. It will be open to exhibitors only beginning Friday, April 17- Wednesday, April 22, during setup and show hours. Only exhibitors are permitted in the lounges. As a courtesy to other exhibitors, Guests and Conference Attendees are not permitted. The lounge will have complimentary snacks and beverages to be consumed within the lounge, as well as comfy furniture, computers, printers, and internet access.

Exhibit Sales Office

The AACR Exhibits Team will have an office, starting on Friday, April 17-Wednesday, April 22, 2026. The 2027 floor plan will be available for review, as well as information on exhibitions at all AACR Conferences.

AACR Annual Cancer and Biomedical Research Career Fair

Employers and recruiters should get ready to meet scientific talent they are looking for at the AACR Annual Cancer and Biomedical Research Career Fair. This event will be held on Saturday, April 18, 2026, from 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. As a Career Fair exhibitor, your organization will gain exposure to the best scientists in basic, translational, clinical, and preventive cancer research and biomedicine. Career Fair Exhibitors will receive a complimentary half page black and white ad in the AACR Guide to Cancer Careers which will be distributed to Annual Meeting Attendees at the Career Fair on Saturday, April 18 and throughout the Annual Meeting. Participating Career Fair Exhibitors will also have the ability to request usage of interview rooms located at AACR Central from Saturday afternoon until the end of the meeting on Wednesday, April 22. Employers will also have the ability to post up to ten (10) open positions on the CancerCareer.org's Job Board, reaching thousands of scientific jobseekers.

Discounted Career Fair exhibit space will be provided to any company exhibiting in the main exhibit show. In addition, companies will have an added bonus of being able to use their lead retrieval units for the Career Fair and Freeman will transfer booth material from the Career Fair to the main booth in a timely manner.

Career Fair booths are furnished, equipped with a table, two (2) chairs, carpet, pipe/drape, and an identification sign. Companies will also have the opportunity to order enhancements from Freeman.

For additional information, please contact careerfair@aacr.org or visit **CancerCareers.org**.

EXHIBITOR RULES AND REGULATIONS



I. Terms and Conditions

By signing the AACR Annual Meeting 2026 Application and Contract for Exhibit Space (Application), the undersigned agrees to abide by all rules (Terms), requirements, restrictions and regulations as set forth in the Exhibitor Prospectus, the rules and regulations enclosed here with and any regulations especially designated by the AACR, San Diego Convention Center, and the city of San Diego, CA. Failure to abide by such rules and regulations may result in forfeiture of all monies paid or due the AACR under the terms of this agreement.

General

All matters and questions not covered by these regulations are at the discretion of AACR Exhibits Management (Management). Management may amend these regulations at any time, and all amendments that may be made shall be equally binding, upon publication on all parties affected by them as the original regulations. Exhibitor and AACR agree that any funding provided by Exhibitor shall not be used for gifts, promotional items, prohibited meals, travel, lodging, entertainment or recreation for healthcare providers or their guests.

Violations

Violation of any of these regulations on the part of the exhibitor, its employees, or agents shall annul the right to occupy the space, and such exhibitor will forfeit to Management all monies, which may have been paid. Upon evidence of violation, Management may reenter and take possession of the space occupied by the exhibitor and may remove all persons and goods at the exhibitor's risk.

The exhibitor shall pay all expenses, or damages, which Management may incur. Failure to adhere to the AACR rules and regulations will result in immediate penalties onsite. AACR strictly enforces the rules and regulations and will make all parties responsible for upholding them.

Violations of AACR's rules and regulations will result in the following penalties:

- First violation: Loss of current year priority points.
- Second violation: Loss of remainder of all accrued priority points.
- Third violation: One-year suspension of exhibiting privilege.

Notice of Disability

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, the AACR will make all reasonable efforts to accommodate persons with disabilities at the meeting. Please email the Exhibits Team at exhibits@aacr.org to make arrangements, no later than February 2, 2026.

Cancellation of Exposition

It is mutually agreed that in the event of cancellation of the AACR Annual Meeting due to fire, strikes, government regulations, or causes, which would prevent its scheduled opening or continuance, then and thereupon this agreement will be terminated, and the AACR shall determine an equitable basis for the refund of such portion of the exhibit fees as is possible, after due consideration of expenditures and commitments already made.

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II. Application and Space Availability

Eligibility Requirements

The AACR is committed to providing a quality exhibition. Exhibits will be limited only to the company and the product(s) listed on the application and are subject to approval by the AACR Exhibits Committee for accepted and acknowledged effectiveness and commercial availability. Only the sign of the company whose name appears on the contract may be placed in the booth or appear on any list of exhibitors. The AACR reserves the right to accept or reject a potential exhibitor based on its assessment of whether that company or organization's products and/or services are relevant to AACR members and their meeting attendees. All exhibits will be reviewed onsite. Full documentation as to the extent and results of any research done on the exhibited items must be available at the company's booth throughout the AACR Annual Meeting. All exhibited items must comply with local, state, and FDA regulations, and must be related to cancer research.

Non-Profit Exhibitors

Exhibit space at the Non-Profit rate is limited. The organization must be a government entity or must be recognized by the IRS as a 501(c)3 charitable organization. The organization must have demonstrated support for cancer research through financial contributions or provisions of infrastructure. The organization may not offer a product or service for sale on the exhibit floor.

Assignment of Space

Booth space assignment is based on a priority point system.

Priority points are established as follows:

- One point for each 100 square feet of space.
- One point for each prior year of participation.
- One point for every \$25,000 spent in Annual Meeting sponsorships* (Five points for \$100,000).
- Five points for Sustaining Members.
- Eight points for Sustaining Members at the Strategic Level.
- Ten points for Sustaining Members at the Leadership Level.

*max of five points permitted

Note: When companies merge or are involved in a buyout, the new company will receive the highest number of points that have been earned by either company.

Advance Sales for AACR Annual Meeting

AACR Exhibits Team will conduct Advance Sales for the upcoming Annual Meeting for the top 100 Exhibitors with the highest priority points. These companies will receive an invitation to a sales appointment that will occur during the AACR Annual Meeting 2025. During the appointment, we will be renewing your exhibit application online. After the appointment, the company contact will receive their link to the Map Your Show (MYS) Exhibitor Resource Center. The Exhibitor Resource Center holds a copy of your application, invoicing, payment methods and when ready, registration and housing information. This deposit of 50% of booth space is due no later than July 14, 2025. Failure to submit deposit by the due date will result in forfeit of pre-selected booth space. **Final payment is due September 15, 2025.**

Booth Application and Floor Plan

Exhibit space is reserved using the online system, along with appropriate deposit. Booth confirmations will be emailed to approved Exhibitors in a reasonable timeframe after the application submission. The most updated floor plan can be found on the Exhibit show section of the AACR Annual Meeting webpages at AACR.org.

New Exhibitors

Companies applying for exhibit space that have never exhibited at the AACR Annual Meeting will need to go through an approval process. When the application is received, a copy of the application, a product summary form, and company literature is sent to the AACR Exhibits Committee. The booth chosen by the company is put on hold during the approval period. The company is notified of the Committee's decision in a timely manner. Upon approval the application is processed, and the booth is released to the company. Upon rejection, the application is denied, and the booth is released back into inventory.

Payment Policy

The exhibitor agrees to submit with the application for booth space a deposit of 50% of the total fee. **NO EXCEPTIONS.** Payment can be made by either credit card (AMEX, Visa or MasterCard) or check in U.S. dollars, drawn on a U.S. bank payable to the American Association for Cancer Research. All payments should be sent to: AACR, 615 Chestnut Street, 17th Floor, Philadelphia, PA 19106, Attn: Finance Dept., AM26 Exhibits. If you require wire transfer instructions, please email exhibits@aacr.org. Exhibitors assigned after September 15th must pay deposit upon receipt of application. The final balance will be due 30 days from date of invoice. If payment

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is not received within 30 days from date of invoice, the booth space will be released and a new application will need to be submitted.

Wire Transfer Instructions

Account Name:

American Association for Cancer Research®

TD Bank, NA

1726 Walnut Street

Philadelphia, PA 19103

Phone: 215-546-1655

Account# 4257806328

ABA# 036001808

Swift Code: NRTHUS33

1. Please be sure to note the invoice number or registrant name and Meeting title within the payment details so that your payment may be properly applied and credited.
2. Please also remember to add an additional \$25 USD to the amount remitted, to cover any bank fees. This ensures that you will not receive an invoice from AACR for the balance.

Cancellations/Reduction of Space*

Notification of booth space cancellation or space reduction* must be submitted in writing to exhibits@aacr.org. The following fees will apply to any cancellations or reduction in exhibit space:

- **After June 13, 2025**—Exhibitor is responsible for 25% of the total booth fee.
- **After November 3, 2025**—Exhibitor is responsible for the entire booth fee. No Refund will be issued.
- Exhibitors signed up after **November 3** have 30 days to cancel for a 50% refund.

*Exhibitors that change the size of their exhibit space are not guaranteed the originally assigned location and are subject to relocation by the AACR and to the cancellation/reduction policy as stated above.

Booth Relocation Policy

Every effort will be made not to relocate an exhibitor's booth. However, should relocation be deemed necessary, the exhibitor will be notified and offered the opportunity to relocate their exhibit or cancel with no further penalty.

No Show Policy

In the event that an exhibiting company has not arrived on the exhibit floor by 5:00 p.m. on Saturday, April 18, and has not been granted pre-approval for late set-up, the AACR reserves the right to use the vacant exhibit space as it sees fit, with no obligation to issue a refund. Any exhibit materials, either in the vacant booth or on the loading dock, for that exhibit space, will be placed in storage at the exhibitor's expense. Substitute booth space will be available at the discretion of the AACR. The exhibitor is responsible for all fees associated with removing freight from storage. If an exhibitor requires additional time to set up beyond the hours listed above, they must obtain permission from Management.

Subletting and/or Sharing of Exhibit Space

No exhibitor may sublet, share, apportion, or assign all or any part of its exhibit space with or to another organization or business. AACR, at its sole discretion, may grant exceptions to the following: a recent merger/acquisition; divisions of the same company and companies co-marketing a product. Written consent must be obtained from AACR, and exhibitors must provide to AACR written documentation of the particular relationship. Only those companies and organizations that are the authorized occupants of each exhibit space will be entitled to exhibitor badges and only those authorized companies will be included on published exhibitor lists. AACR retains the right to remove from the exhibit halls any company or organization without a signed application to exhibit.

III. Exhibitor Conduct and Booth Activity

Off-site/Affiliate Events

If you plan to hold a function during the AACR Annual Meeting 2026, you must complete the Affiliate Group Function Space Request Form. To be able to secure an event, the Affiliate Group Function Space Request Form must be submitted, along with the appropriate payment. Full payment of booth space is required before affiliate requests will be approved. "Affiliate Groups" include corporate and institutional affiliates of the AACR who request meeting/function space for the purpose of social events (<100 guests), small committee, or staff meetings. Organizations that do not meet the criteria and are not exhibiting at the AACR Annual Meeting are subject to approval and a non-exhibitor fee per submission. Requests for meeting/function space from Affiliate Groups will be considered for the purpose of social events, small committee, and staff meetings. The unauthorized presentation of educational symposium or other scientific program activities is prohibited during the AACR Annual Meeting. The form, along with rules and regulations will be available in September on the exhibits page of the AACR website or by contacting the Affiliates Team at

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affiliates@aacr.org. If an exhibitor is found to be in violation of the rules governing affiliate events, they will forfeit priority points for the current year and face a stiff penalty.

Exhibitor Access to Exhibit Hall

Exhibitor personnel will be allowed access to the exhibit hall 60 minutes prior to its opening Monday-Wednesday. Request for access to the hall before these hours, or after closing hours, must be made in advance by contacting The Exhibits Team. On Sunday, April 19, exhibitors can access the hall at 8:00 a.m. Each representative issued an exhibitor's badge must be employed by the exhibiting company and registered in advance through the Exhibitor Resource Center. Only representatives who are employed by the exhibiting company and who will be working in the booth are to be registered as Exhibitor Personnel. Exhibitor badges will not be issued to registrants who should pay the registration fee or to representatives of leasing companies, financial institutions, suppliers, vendors, or others who wish to gain admittance for the purpose of making contacts. Exhibitors that are also presenting at the AACR Annual Meeting 2026 will need to be registered separately from the booth and pay the associated rates.

Entering Another Exhibitor's Booth

Exhibit personnel should not enter another exhibitor's booth space without obtaining permission, nor should personnel block access to another booth.

Staffing/Early Dismantle

Exhibit Booths must be staffed at all times during official show hours. All exhibitors are expected to make their travel arrangements in accordance with this policy. Any exhibitor found breaking down or vacating their booth prior to the end of the show will be prohibited from exhibiting in all future AACR meetings.

Exhibitor/Booth Activity

If you are planning to conduct any booth activities, you will need to complete the booth activity approval form which will be available in the Exhibitor Resource Center. The AACR Annual Meeting is a professional, scientific, educational meeting. Please keep this in mind when selecting booth activities. Please be sure they are appropriate and follow the AACR Rules and Regulations. Electrical or other mechanical apparatus must be muffled so noise does not interfere with other exhibitors. All requests must be submitted to the AACR by February 13, 2026, for review and approval. Any exhibitor found conducting contests, raffles, drawings, or unauthorized

events will be required to cease immediately. The AACR will not accept requests on-site.

Market Research/Surveys

Market research companies must indicate on the exhibit application the companies for which they are conducting market research. All market research surveys must be conducted only within the market research booth. All surveys must be conducted within the confines of the booth space assigned. At no time should exhibit personnel leave the booth to encourage attendees in the aisles to complete a questionnaire or survey.

Activities Prohibited in the Exhibit Hall

- Canvassing or distributing advertising matter outside the exhibitor's own booth is not permitted.
- Solicitation of business except by exhibiting firms is prohibited. The nature of the exhibits is subject to the approval of Management and the AACR Exhibits Committee.
- Nonprofessional products or services are not to be displayed. This applies to displays, literature, advertising, novelties, souvenirs, conduct of persons, etc.
- Contests, raffles, lotteries, and games of any chance without prior written approval from the AACR.
- All games and activities must be approved by AACR. No group activity is permitted.
- Lines of any kind may not be formed outside of the exhibit space. All activity must be contained within the booth.
- Soliciting attendees in the aisle(s) outside of booth space, including session rooms, public space, and poster area.
- Fundraising, without prior written approval from the AACR.
- Press events are strictly prohibited without prior approval by the AACR Communications Department.
- Live, videotaped, or audiotaped delivery of didactic presentation.
- Activities offering CME credits.
- Playing or performing of copyrighted recorded or live music during the published Exhibit Hall Hours.
- Distribution of coupons or vouchers for meals, entertainment, or personal services to meeting attendees.
- Distribution of alcoholic beverages in exhibit booth.
- Distribution of any item of more than the minimal value (more than \$20) without the prior written approval from the AACR.

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- Demonstration, promotion, or sales of the products of any non-exhibiting companies.
- Affixing the AACR name or logo to, incorporating them in, or otherwise making them a part of exhibitor-distributed materials without prior written approval from the AACR.
- Unauthorized reproduction or distribution of AACR abstracts.
- Magicians, jugglers, motivational speakers, sleight of hand artists, or illusionists.
- Electrical or other mechanical apparatus must be muffled so noise does not interfere with other exhibitors.
- Market research companies must indicate on the exhibit application the companies for which they are conducting market research. All market research surveys must be conducted only within the market research booth.

Distribution of Giveaways

Please keep in mind that the AACR Annual Meeting is a professional, educational, scientific meeting when considering giveaway items. Product samples, giveaways, or literature may only be distributed within the exhibitor's booth and must not interfere with other exhibitors' spaces. Representatives may not distribute materials in any hotel utilized by the AACR or in any areas of the Convention Center other than their exhibit space or company leased rooms, or in public areas outside the Convention Center or hotels. Customary items such as descriptive product literature, notepads, pens, pencils, company information on USBs/ CDs or journals may be distributed from the booth without written approval by AACR Management.

Food Service

Food service is permitted at the exhibitor's booth. All food service arrangements must be coordinated through the Convention Center caterer. No alcoholic beverages can be served or given away.

Contests, Raffles, Drawings

The AACR Annual Meeting is a professional, scientific, educational meeting. Please keep this in mind when planning your contest, drawing, raffle, etc. Any Gift Cards given away/ raffled off may not exceed \$50 in value. All contests, lotteries, drawings, raffles, and games of chance must be approved by AACR Exhibits Management. All drawings must be held off the exhibit hall floor. All requests must be submitted to the AACR for review by February 13, 2026

A booth activity approval form will be available in the Exhibitor Resource Center. No unapproved items may be used as a "prize." All "prizes" need to be submitted on the Distribution of Giveaways form. Any exhibitor found conducting contests, raffles, or drawings that have not been approved by the AACR will be required to cease immediately.

Sales and/or Order Taking

The purpose of the exhibits is to further the education of meeting attendees through product and service displays and demonstrations. Sales and order taking are permitted provided all transactions are conducted in a manner consistent with the professional nature of the meeting. Products for sale must be the exhibitors' own unaltered products, and the products or services must be pertinent to the attendees' professional interest. The AACR reserves the right to restrict sales activities that it deems inappropriate or unprofessional. Exhibitors must comply with all sales tax requirements.

Photography

Photography, videotaping, and audio recording are permitted by exhibit booth staff in their own exhibit booth, provided that written permission/authorization is obtained from any distinguishable individuals if the photograph or recording will be used for promotional or commercial purposes (including use in printed materials, websites, and/or social media). AACR is not liable for the failure of any exhibitor to obtain such permission. Exhibitors that choose to use a professional photographer that is not employed by the exhibiting company must submit an Exhibitor Appointed Contractor Form and valid Certificate of Liability Insurance to exhibits@aacr.org by February 13, 2026. Should you need to plan for access to the exhibit hall outside of exhibit hours, and/or require show-level lighting and power, please contact the AACR Exhibits Team. Any additional charges from the building will be at the exhibitor's expense.

Should any company or media outlet wish to film interviews in the exhibit hall for advertorial, promotional, or sponsored content purposes, they must secure exhibit space using the online exhibit sales system and film all interviews in their booth, unless they have express written permission from another exhibiting organization to film in that organization's booth. Likewise, exhibitors may not photograph other booths, including AACR Central or the AACR Publications Booth, without express written permission of the exhibiting organization. When said permission is granted, film crew details must be forwarded to the exhibits team at exhibits@aacr.org.

Media outlets who wish to film expert interviews and b-roll in the exhibit hall for purely non-commercial, editorial purposes should contact the AACR Communications & Public Relations

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Department at communications@aacr.org well in advance of the meeting to discuss their needs. These activities must be conducted without disruption to exhibition activities or limitation to the accessibility of exhibitions.

Please note that attendees are permitted to take photos or recordings in the exhibit hall for their own personal use, but they are required to obtain verbal permission from the exhibiting company before engaging in photography or audio/video recording of or within said booth.

Music Licensing

License agreements for music are the sole responsibility of the exhibitor.

Food and Drug Administration (FDA) Approval and Off-Label Indications

The mention (directly or indirectly) of pharmaceutical products not approved by the FDA is strictly prohibited. Handouts or literature of any kind that mention such products directly or indirectly are, likewise, prohibited from display in the exhibit space or in spaces contracted by the AACR. An exhibiting organization may disseminate from its exhibit space peer-reviewed journal articles about off-label indications of its product(s), provided the company commits itself to file a supplemental application based on appropriate research, to establish the safety and effectiveness of the unapproved use.

IV. Exhibit Booth Configuration

Standard booth 10' x 10' (100 square feet)

Inline Booth: "Inline" booths are a row of standard booths that are exposed to the aisle on one side.

Corner Booth: "Corner" booths are standard in-line booths that are exposed to an aisle on two sides.

All exhibit backwalls must conform to the standards set by the Healthcare Convention and Exhibitors Association and the International Association of Exhibition and Events which are as follows:

- No side rails or counters may exceed 48" in height.
- Backwalls are limited to 8' in height, including any identification sign, and must not protrude from the back wall more than 50% of the distance from the back wall to the front of the booth.
- No obstructions in the front half of the booth above a height of 48" are permitted.

- No part of any exhibit, or signs relating thereto, shall be posted, nailed, or otherwise attached to columns, walls, floors, or other parts of the building or its furniture.
- Damage arising by failure to observe these rules shall be payable by the exhibitor.

Set-back rules are in place to maintain an open atmosphere in the exhibit hall by maintaining sight lines and traffic flow. Inline exhibits may not place any display component that is taller than 4' high in the front 5' of the exhibit, unless it is product. Also, all demonstrations must be confined to the back half of the exhibit, so they can be viewed from within the exhibit.

Island Exhibit Space

An island is typically defined as 400 square feet (20' x 20') or larger exhibit space surrounded with aisles on all sides. Island booths should be constructed to allow access from all sides. The maximum height of an island is twenty (20) feet.

The Island Exhibitor receives the following benefits:

- Waiver of the 8' height restriction, not to exceed 20' where applicable.
- Waiver of sidewall restrictions.
- Increased visibility from all areas of the Exhibit Hall.
- Ability to utilize hanging signs.

Island Booths Exhibit Setback and Sightlines

Island booths must be constructed to allow access from all sides. All exhibit booths must adhere to the following guidelines:

- Island booths should have open sight lines around and through the design to not obstruct the view of neighboring booths.
- Island exhibits must maintain a 1' setback of all exhibit structure from the floor to 8' in height.
- Reception counters/information kiosks may not be closer than 2' from the aisle.

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Island Exhibit Space Renderings: Submission Expectations and Requirements

Any company that is assigned island exhibit space must submit floor plans and elevation blueprints to Exhibit Management at exhibits@aacr.org or upload renderings to the MYS Exhibitor Resource Center by February 13, 2026. The AACR requires floor plans from every island exhibitor to ensure that the rules and regulations governing exhibit booth design, outlined in this section, are followed. Advance review also provides the AACR with the opportunity to resolve any potential issues. With the submission of your renderings, please include:

- All dimensions of structures within the booth – not to exceed twenty (20) feet.
- The height of any hanging signs from the floor to the top of the sign – not to exceed 22'.
- An outline or CAD drawing of the booth design to ensure all structures abide by the setback rule.
- Ample sight lines.

Double-Decker/Multi-Level Booths

Double-Decker/Multi-Level booths are permitted. You must adhere to the rules and regulations from the Host Convention Center. Additional requirements may be needed. Some cities require a fire watch, and drawings need to be submitted for fire marshal approval. More information will be provided in the Exhibitor Service Kit. Contact the Exhibits Team for more information exhibits@aacr.org.

Hanging Signs

Signs, lighting, and trusses may be suspended from the ceiling in island booths only, 20' x 20' and larger. Signage must not violate the AACR 22' height restrictions. The suspended height is 22' when measured from the floor up to the top of the sign.

Carpeting

The AACR requires all exhibitors to provide floor covering for their booths/displays. All booths must have floor covering by 5:00 p.m. on Saturday, April 18. There are no exceptions to this rule. If a booth does not appropriate floor covering provided or ordered, the AACR will order carpet on the exhibitor's behalf at the exhibitor's expense. Bridging of floor surfaces across aisles is not allowed.

Helium Balloons and Drones

At no time are exhibitors allowed to bring helium balloons, including mylar, or motorized drones into the facility.

V. Contractors, Labor, and Security

Contract Obligations and Liability

The exhibitor agrees to protect, save, and keep the AACR and the occupied Convention Center forever harmless from any damage or charges imposed for violation of any law or ordinance by the exhibitor, their employees or agents as well as to strictly comply with the applicable terms and conditions contained in the agreement between the AACR and the occupied Convention Center regarding the exhibition premise. Furthermore, the exhibitor shall at all times protect, indemnify, save, and keep harmless the AACR and the occupied Convention Center against and from any and all loss, cost, damage, liability, or expense which arises out of or from, or by reason of any act or omission by the exhibitor, his employees, or agents except to the degree of negligence of AACR, its employees, and/or agents.

Installing, Exhibiting, and Dismantling Labor Policy

Exhibitors shall use proper authorized labor for exhibit installation during move-in, services during open hours, and exhibit dismantling during move-out, according to the official policies/ union agreement of AACR, facility management, official general services contractor, and all applicable state and local laws. Exhibitors planning to build special displays on-site should employ union display companies in their fabrication, carpentry, and electrical work. Rules and regulations pertaining to union labor and the Convention Center will appear in The Exhibitor Service Kit.

Insurance

Exhibitors wishing to insure their exhibit materials, goods and/ or wares against theft, damage by fire, accident, or loss of any kind must do so at their own expense. The AACR does not carry insurance of any sort on the exhibit or other property of Exhibitors and the AACR assumes no liability for loss or damage thereto from any cause. Each exhibiting company is responsible for obtaining insurance (Liability and Fire/Theft) in such amounts as deemed appropriate to comply with its obligations hereunder and for its own protection.

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Exhibitor Appointed Contractor (EAC)

All Exhibitors utilizing an Exhibitor Appointed Contractor (EAC) must fill out the online Exhibitor Appointed Contractor Form and submit valid Certificate of Insurance (COI). Official Notification of EAC will be in the online Exhibitor Resource Center and are due by February 13, 2026.

Certificate of Insurance should include:

- Commercial general liability coverage, product liability coverage, and broad property damage endorsement with combined and single limits of not less than \$1 million per occurrence.
- Coverage for workers' compensation and employers' liability within commercially reasonable limits as otherwise required by the laws of the host state.
- Naming of AACR, Freeman, and the Host Convention Center as the additional insured.
- Naming of the exhibiting company/organization and booth # that they are representing in the description area; if said information is not included, the Certificate of Liability Insurance will NOT be accepted by AACR.

Failure to provide these documents to the AACR by the indicated due dates will be caused to exclude the EAC from participation at the Show.

EACs may not solicit business in the exhibit hall at any time. The exhibiting company is responsible for the actions of its EAC, and all exhibitor rules apply to this sub-contractor of the exhibitor. The EAC may need to check in with Security and the Convention Center upon arrival to receive installation/dismantling passes allowing access to the exhibit hall. These passes are typically in the form of wrist bands that must be worn on the wrist, for security reasons. Workers without properly displayed exhibit hall access passes will be prohibited from work during set-up.

The AACR reserves the right to remove any EAC or its employees who do not comply with AACR exhibitor rules or the operating rules of the Host Convention Center. The AACR reserves the right to prohibit EAC participation at the AACR Annual Meeting, both at the host city and at future exhibit locations, at the sole discretion of the AACR, when such actions are necessary.

Convention, Display, Trade Show Labor Regulations

All exhibits must conform to the rules and regulations of the Host Convention Center and to the International Association of Exhibitions and Events Display Guidelines adopted by AACR. The guidelines will also be available in the Exhibitor Service Kit, viewable online through the Exhibits Show webpage,

and available upon request. Labor can be ordered in advance by returning the Display Labor Order Form, included in your Exhibitor Service Kit or at show site at the Freeman Service Desk. To avoid any misunderstandings in advance or at the show, contact the show management by letter for additional clarification. Rules and regulations pertaining to union labor and the Convention Center will appear in your Exhibitor Service Kit.

Material Handling and Shipping

Freeman will control access to the exhibit floor, which includes access from the loading docks and/or all doorways into an exhibit facility. This will help to provide a safe and orderly move-in/ move-out. Unloading or reloading of any freight into the exhibit hall by any and all private vehicles and contracted carriers will be handled by Freeman. Rates for material handling services will be included in the Exhibitor Service Kit. Freeman will receive all crated shipments up to 30 days in advance and deliver them to the booths for installation, remove empty crates from the exhibit area before show time and return same to exhibit booths upon close of the AACR Annual Meeting, material handling charges will apply.

Loading and Unloading

Full-time Exhibitor personnel shall have the right to unload POVs (private-owned vehicles); limited to cars, personal vans, small pick-up trucks and trailers no longer than 12 ft. and limited to a maximum 30 minute dock time. No material handling equipment may be used, nor will it be loaned to exhibitors. Two-wheeled dollies or equivalent are allowed. All vehicles with materials for delivery must first check in at the marshalling yard. Empty crates must be stored in a location that is acceptable to Freeman and will not be permitted to remain in the exhibition area and building during the course of the AACR Annual Meeting.

Storage of Crates and Boxes

Fire regulations prohibit storing product, literature, empty packing containers, or packing material behind back drapes or under draped tables. In most cases, however, exhibitors may store a limited supply of literature or product within the booth area, so long as these do not impede access to utility services, create a safety problem, or appear unsightly. Accessible storage for exhibit materials will be available from Freeman at a fee. Detailed information regarding accessible storage will be available in the Exhibitor Service Kit.

EXHIBITOR RULES AND REGULATIONS *(cont'd)*

Porter Service

In an effort to maintain a clean and organized exhibit hall, exhibitors who will be distributing giveaways and providing food and beverage/hospitality in their booth must order porter service available in the Exhibitor Service Kit. Porter service is exclusive to Freeman or the Host Convention Center and includes monitoring the exhibit booth to empty wastebaskets and collect empty boxes during show hours. Standard wastebasket emptying does not include removal of empty boxes. Empty boxes may not be placed in the exhibit hall aisles, behind or adjacent to columns, or in trashcans in the exhibit hall during show hours. If an exhibitor does not properly handle empty boxes, Freeman will remove the boxes at the exhibitor's expense.

Security

Peripheral watchmen shall be furnished by AACR Management to be on duty in the exhibit area when exhibits are closed, but the safekeeping of the exhibitor's property shall remain the responsibility of the exhibitor. The AACR, the Host Convention Center, or the Host City, will not be responsible for loss of any material by or for any reason. Each exhibitor is recommended to purchase a portal-to-portal rider available at a nominal cost on their own insurance policy, protecting them against loss through theft, fire, damage, etc. Forms to order additional security in booths will be included in the Exhibitor Service Kit.

Electrical Safety

All wiring on booths or display fixtures within an exhibitor's booth must meet underwriters' rules and pass standard fire department inspection applicable under all appropriate state, county, city, and the Host Convention Center policies and procedures. This applies to construction, not pre-wired equipment.

Federal and Local Fire and Building Codes

All materials used in display construction or decorating will be made of fire-retardant materials and be certified as flame retardant. Samples should be available for testing. Materials that cannot be treated to meet the requirements should not be used. A flameproofing certificate must be available for inspection. Exhibitor is responsible for compliance with life/safety and fire codes.

Fire Protection

All materials used in the exhibit area must be flameproof and fire resistant in order to conform to local fire ordinances and in accordance with regulations established by the National Association of Fire Underwriters. Crepe paper, corrugated paper, flameproof or otherwise, will not be permitted. Display racks, signs, spotlights, and special equipment must be approved before use, and all displays are subject to inspection by the Fire Prevention Bureau. Any exhibits or parts thereof that are found not to be fireproof may be ordered dismantled. All aisles and exhibits must be kept clear at all times, and fire stations and fire extinguisher equipment are not to be covered or obstructed. The Host Convention Center and the Host City Fire Department Prevention Division reserve the right to make any final decisions regarding fire and public safety.

Telephone and Internet Services

Telephones and Internet service in the exhibit hall is supplied exclusively by the Host Convention Center. Information on ordering these services will be available in the Exhibitor Service Kit.

Fundraising

Exhibitors may not engage, directly or indirectly, in any fundraising in the Exhibit Hall. Any organization seeking such an exception, including to make AACR Foundation a recipient of any fundraising activities, must submit the Booth Activity form by February 13, 2026, to be considered.

CODE OF CONDUCT, POLICIES, AND PROCEDURES



The AACR Annual Meeting 2026 will bring together representatives from academia, industry, government, and advocacy organizations from across the globe. In order for all participants to have the opportunity to gain the most benefit from this conference, the AACR is committed to providing a safe and secure environment. Please review the following policies and procedures for conference participants. By registering for the AACR Annual Meeting 2026, you agree to the following terms:

- Policy regarding photography:

- o Conference attendees may take photographs during oral or poster presentations provided that the photographs are strictly for personal, non-commercial use and are not to be published in any form. Attendees are prohibited from using flash photography or otherwise distracting the presenters or members of the audience.
- o No photographing or videotaping of the exhibit hall is allowed. Photographing another exhibit or display items is strictly prohibited. Unauthorized photographs (digital and analogue) and photographic equipment storage, including emails, electronic distribution on social media sites and systems, cellular phones, electronic tablet devices, etc., will be confiscated. Exhibitors may request permission in writing from the AACR to photograph their own booth for internal marketing purposes only.
- o A professional photographer and videographer will be on-site to document conference events and activities. Photographs and video footage are the sole property of AACR. By registering for and attending these events, attendees understand that AACR may use their likenesses for future promotional purposes. If you do not wish to be photographed, please notify the photographer and/or videographer on-site.

- Policy regarding social media:

- o Conference attendees may share information from presentations on social media provided that they respect the wishes of presenters. Oral presenters may label any or all slides in their presentations with “DO NOT POST.” Similarly,

poster presenters may label their posters with “DO NOT POST.” Attendees must respect the presenters’ requests in these instances; while attendees may take photographs of all slides and posters, they must refrain from posting on social media any images from slides or posters labelled “DO NOT POST.”

- The AACR prohibits intimidating, threatening, or harassing conduct of any kind during this program. This applies to all participants—attendees, presenters, exhibitors, staff, vendors, etc.
- The AACR is committed to a safe, hospitable, and productive environment for all participants of this program, regardless of age, disability, ethnicity, gender, religion, or sexual orientation.
- The AACR expects all participants to communicate professionally and constructively, handling dissent and disagreement with courtesy, dignity, and an open mind, being respectful when providing feedback, and being open to alternate points of view.
- Children under 12 years of age are not permitted in any scientific session, poster session, the exhibit hall, or any official event taking place at this program at any time. Children cannot be left unattended or unsupervised in the Host Convention Center. The AACR provides supervised childcare services in the Host Convention Center for a nominal cost for children under 12 years of age. The exact hours, location, and costs of this service will be available on the AACR website.
- The AACR expects participants to share information about this program responsibly and clearly distinguish individual opinion from fact.
- Participants must obey all applicable laws and regulations of the relevant government authorities while attending this program. Participants must comply with all applicable safety guidelines related to the conference venue.
- The hours of the exhibit hall are published in the Exhibitor Prospectus, Program Guide, the mobile app, and on signage at the exhibit hall entrances. Exhibitors and attendees are expected to follow these rules and to abide by the instructions of posted security guards and AACR Staff.

ADVANCE SALES FOR AACR ANNUAL MEETING 2027



AACR Exhibits Team will conduct Advance Sales for the upcoming Annual Meeting for the top 100 Exhibitors with the highest priority points. These companies will receive an invitation to a sales appointment that will occur during the AACR Annual Meeting 2026. During the appointment, we will be renewing your exhibit application online. After the appointment, the company contact will receive their link to the Map Your Show (MYS) Exhibitor Resource Center. The Exhibitor Resource Center holds a copy of your application, invoicing, payment methods and when ready, registration and housing information. This deposit of 50% of booth space is due no later than July 14, 2026. Failure to submit deposit by the due date will result in forfeit of pre-selected booth space. Final payment is due September 15, 2026.

Assignment of Space

Booth space assignment is based on a priority point system.

*NEW IN 2027

Exhibitor priority points will only be based on the past five years of participation. All points accrued prior to the past five years will not be taken into consideration.

Priority points are established as follows:

- One point for each 100 square feet of space.
- One point for each prior year of participation.
- One point for every \$25,000 spent in Annual Meeting sponsorships* (Five points for \$100,000).
- Five points for Sustaining Members.
- Eight points for Sustaining Members at the Strategic Level.
- Ten points for Sustaining Members at the Leadership Level.

*Max of five points permitted

Note: When companies merge or are involved in a buyout, the new company will receive the highest number of points that have been earned by either company.

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