



**22<sup>nd</sup> ACM SIGMOD-SIGACT- SIGART Symposium on  
Principles of Database Systems (PODS 2003)**

**San Diego, California – June 9-11, 2003**

<http://www.db.ucsd.edu/SIGMODPODS03/PODSscfp.html>

The symposium invites papers on fundamental aspects of databases. Original research papers on the theory, design, specification, or implementation of databases are solicited. Papers emphasizing new topics or foundations of emerging areas are especially welcome. The symposium will be held in Town and Country Hotel in San Diego, in conjunction with the ACM SIGMOD Intl. Conference on Management of Data (SIGMOD'03), and as part of the Federated Computing Research Conference (FCRC'03).

Suggested topics include the following (this list is not exhaustive and the order does not reflect priorities):

Access Methods and Physical Design	Complexity and Performance Evaluation	Concurrency Control
Transaction Management	Integrity and Security	Data Models
Logic in Databases	Query Languages	Query Optimization
Database Programming Languages	Database Updates	Active Databases
Deductive Databases and Knowledge Bases	Object-oriented Databases	Multimedia Databases
Spatial and Temporal Databases	Constraint Databases	Real-time Databases
Distributed Databases	Data Integration and Interoperability	Views and Warehousing
Data Mining	Databases and Information Retrieval	Semistructured Data and XML
Information Processing on the Web	Databases and Workflows	

<b>Important Dates:</b>	November 15, 2002	Paper abstracts due
	November 22, 2002	Full papers due
	February 11, 2003	Notification of acceptance/rejection
	March 8, 2003	Camera-ready due

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**Submission format and instructions :**

Authors are required to submit a paper title and short abstract (about 100 words) before submitting the paper. Papers should be limited to 10 pages (with font size at least 11 pts) and may consist of extended abstracts. Each submission must provide sufficient detail to allow the program committee to assess its merits and should include appropriate references to and comparisons with the literature.

Electronic submission and hard copy are accepted. Electronic submission of both short abstracts and papers is strongly preferred. Instructions for (electronic) submissions will be posted on PODS's home page.

**Awards :**

Best Newcomer Award: An award will be given to the best submission, as judged by the program committee, written solely by authors who have never published in earlier PODS proceedings.

Best Paper Award: There will also be an award for the best of all papers submitted, as judged by the program committee.

The program committee reserves the right to give both awards to the same paper, not to give an award, or to split an award among several papers. Papers authored or co-authored by PC members are not eligible for an award.