

## **SOMA Track Descriptions:**

- **Austere Resuscitative Surgical Care:** The ARSC track is seeking high quality submissions about emergency resuscitative care within the austere environment. These presentations can include but are not limited to novel methods of surgical team implementation and integration, novel techniques adapted for austere environments, after action reports related to high profile events, new projects, or developments in your ARSC unit, and strategic level overview of the ARSC units. This is open to military and civilians working in this unique environment. Submissions of relevant presentations accepted at other national meetings with our partners are also encouraged.
- **Brain Health:** The Brain Health track focuses on advancements and learning in relation to traumatic brain injuries (TBI) and treatments including but not limited to emergency care, rehabilitation, medication, medical devices, biomarkers, and nutritional therapies.
- **Human Performance and Resiliency:** The HP track is seeking high quality submissions that provide real-life examples and/or evidence-based reviews of technology, data, and best practices to optimize performance, reduce injuries, speed recovery times, and foster physical, mental, and emotional wellness.
- **International:** The international track is seeking high quality submissions pertaining to SOF medicine at all levels of care. Proposals are welcome from tactical/support medics (e.g. NSOCM/NSOMT, etc.), physicians, and other personnel working in the SOF medicine environment.
- **Military Special Operations Forces:** The MilSOF track is seeking high quality submissions about military special operations medic forces both within US military and the international community. Submissions are encouraged from both active SOF medics and leaders in the field. Submissions from the Operators and/or the battlefield end users, from across the Combatant Commands are highly encouraged.
- **Tactical Emergency Medical Services:** The TEMS track is seeking high quality submissions about emergency medical care within the civilian tactical environment. These presentations can include but are not limited to novel methods of TEMS delivery in the civilian world, after action reports related to high profile events, new projects or developments in your TEMS unit, an overview of the TEMS unit at your department including the command structure, one or two high profile "saves", strengths, weaknesses, and overall design and delivery. Submissions of relevant presentations accepted at other national meetings with our partners are also encouraged.
- **Medical Support of Irregular Warfare:** The MSIW track is intended to help develop and exercise SOF medical concepts for future conflict scenarios. Areas of focus for this year are analysis, concept, and strategy development, as well as medical support to IW activities vignettes. Submissions outside this focus will also be considered. Relevant proposals from individuals and organizations with applicable experience(s) are highly encouraged.  
Irregular warfare is defined as, *"A form of warfare in which states and non-state actors' campaign to assure or coerce other groups through indirect, non-attributable, or asymmetric activities"* - Joint Publication 1, Vol 1, signed August 2023.  
IW activities, such as nonstandard operations with focus on the human domain, and international partnering, pose unique challenges to providing medical support that the joint force has not encountered in recent history.