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**1st Early StageResearcher Forum**

**Thursday, November 24th, 2022,2 pm – 5 pm**

**23rd Annual MDResearch Conference**

**Friday, November 25th, 2022,9 am – 4 pm**

**Abstract Submission Form for**

**Early Stage Researcher Forum & Conference Poster Exhibition**

**Submission deadline: Sunday, October 2nd 2022**

**Applicants may be invited to present at either the events.**

The abstract length should not exceed 500 words, excluding the title, authors and references. Tables, figures and footnotes are not allowed and any acknowledgements should be given within the paragraph. Please note that word counts will be checked and abstracts that do not adhere to these guidelines will be rejected.

Please structure your abstract using sub-headings as shown below. Since abstracts will refer generally to completed work but for early stage researcher (ESR) also to work-in-progress, not all sub-headings may apply. For example ESRs may not have preliminary results to share yet, but are encouraged to highlight some key challenges in the abstract they would like feedback on.

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| **ABSTRACT TITLE** *Be concise, clearly convey the subject of the abstract, not exceeding 20 words* |  |
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Each abstract will be reviewed. Notification of acceptance or rejection of submitted abstracts will be sent to the corresponding authors via email by end-October 2022. Full instructions concerning preparation and presentation will be included and will be made available on the conference website.