



## MSTS 2023 Abstract Submission Guidelines

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  - a. Background: include the rationale for the study; what is known, and the objectives of the study
  - b. Methods: Clearly identify the study design (in vivo, in vitro, prospective, retrospective, randomized, case-control, case series, etc.), controls, diagnostic criteria, inclusion and exclusion criteria, dates, treatment, follow-up, methods, comparisons made, and statistical methods. Please use validated outcome instruments such as MSTS, TESS, ISOLS Classification of Limb-Sparing Reconstructions.
  - c. Results: Provide a concise summary of study findings. Do not overuse p=values. Effect sizes and 95% confidence intervals are preferred.
  - d. Conclusions: Briefly summarize the study findings, limitations and relevance to future research.
2. Length: Please submit a Microsoft Word document that **does not exceed 250 words.**
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5. Figures and Tables: Limit 2.
6. References: Please omit any reference to authorship and/or institution within the body of the abstract.

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