

2023 Registration and Call for Abstracts Information

Registration information

- There is no registration fee, but registration is mandatory, regardless of abstract submission. Register at https://bit.ly/Harvard_Surg_Research_Day.
- View our COVID-19 precautions and event attendance requirements.

Important dates

- Sunday, Jan. 8, at 11:59 p.m.: Deadline for abstract submission.
- Friday, Feb. 24: Abstracts selected for presentation notified by email.
- Wednesday, March 15: Deadline for event registration.
- Saturday, March 25: Harvard Surgery Research Day.

Submitting abstracts

Eligibility

- The call for abstracts is open to **all trainees** (surgical residents and clinical fellows, medical or graduate students, PhD postdoctoral fellows) in a Harvard Medical School-affiliated Department of Surgery (Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, Boston Children's Hospital, Brigham and Women's Hospital, Massachusetts General Hospital). HMS surgical residents who are conducting their research outside of an HMS institution (e.g., MIT, NIH, other academic institutions) are also eligible.
- Work in progress or abstracts that have been previously presented at other meetings are admissible. Presenting at this meeting is not a deterrent for future abstract submission to national/regional meetings. Work published already as a journal article is not acceptable for submission.
- **There is a limit of one abstract per first author.** You can be included on other abstracts as a contributing author, but cannot submit numerous abstracts as first author.

Requirements

- Abstracts should be no more than 300 words, with the following suggested headings: Background, Methods, Results, and Conclusions.
- The abstract submission should not include the authors or institution affiliation.
- You may include either one table or one graphic element, with legend. The table or graphic element is not included in the word count. Only include the title of the abstract and the details of the table or graphic element. Do not include the authors or institution affiliation. Please name the PDF file of the table or graphic element the abstract title.PDF.
- **All abstracts submitted must be intelligible to a diverse audience, including clinical and non-clinical faculty.**
- **The 2023 abstract submission window is now CLOSED.**

About the review/selection process

- Abstracts will be reviewed and scored by the HMS Surgery Research Day Committee.
- Applicants will be selected for an oral or poster presentation.
- Notification of selection for presentation will be by email by Feb. 24, 2023.

Abstract awards

Abstracts will be placed in the Basic Science or Clinical/Health Services categories. There will be six prizes as follows:

- first and second prizes for best Basic Science oral presentation (\$500 and \$300, respectively)
- first and second prizes for best Clinical/Health Services oral presentation (\$500 and \$300, respectively)
- best Basic Science and best Clinical/Health Services poster (\$300 each)