Abstract Submission Instructions and Guidelines

Ghana Malaria Research Conference

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PROCUDURES AND DEADLINE:

- 1. **Deadline for final abstracts:** The deadline for abstracts to be received via email addressed to contact.us@arhr.org.gh is *Friday July 23rd*, *2020, by 11:59pm GMT*.
- 2. **Submission of abstracts: All abstracts must be submitted individually**. Everyone is allowed to submit up to two (2) abstracts only.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR ABSTRACT SUBMISSIONS:

- a. Authors shall submit abstracts as Microsoft Word documents. Each abstract should be a separate file.
- Authors should ensure that each author listed on the abstract provides his/her email address.
 Otherwise, an author will NOT be recognized or credited for the abstract.
- c. **Abstracts may not exceed 300 words in length.** The abstract should be divided into four sections: Background, Methods, Results, and Conclusions. The total word count of all four sections cannot exceed 300 words.
- **d.** All abstracts should be submitted via mail (contact.us@arhr.org.gh), email title should include "Malaria Research Conference Abstract."

ABSTRACT FORMAT:

All abstracts will be assessed based on the criteria below.

- 1. Title
- Be brief, avoid subtitles if possible.
- Capitalize major words only. Capitalize the second component of hyphenated terms.
- Do NOT use abbreviations or acronyms in title.
- Give geographic location (country, state, or city) and dates of study/investigation or project. Do not abbreviate geographic locations; separate them from the rest of the title by a dash.

2. Abstract text

Structure the abstract, using the following subheadings to identify each section: **Background, Methods, Results, and Conclusions.**

The **Background** section should address both (1) the public health significance of the subject and (2) the scientific background and rationale for the study/project.

Since an abstract is a citable document, the **Results** section must contain data. It should not include such statements as "Data will be discussed". **If considerable work is needed before the conference, please state in the abstract that results are preliminary.**

Changes cannot be made to the abstract after the submission deadline of July 23rd, 2020. If the results and conclusions of the study do change based on data analysis done after submission of the abstract, you may highlight the changes in your presentation, whether oral or poster, if your abstract is accepted.

3. Authors

Please submit the names and email addresses of all authors that should be listed on the paper. Please ensure that all of co-authors have agreed to being listed on the paper prior to submitted the abstract.

The main author (usually the first one listed on the abstract) is the corresponding author. Whoever is anticipated to present the abstract is the presenting author. If the main author anticipates to present the abstract if it is accepted, then he or she is both the corresponding and the presenting author. All other authors should be listed as co-authors.

4. Key words:

Please include 4 to 6 words separated by a comma.

STYLE GUIDELINES

- I. Avoid using jargon, such as "cases" for "patients".
- II. Define all abbreviations upon first use in the abstract, e.g., Insecticide Treated Net (ITN), except for those used in standard measurements, e.g., 25mg/L.
- III. Use metric units, show conventional terms if desired in parentheses, e.g., "0 C (32F)"
- IV. Use standard "mL," "cm" etc,
- V. Use "%" with specific measurements, e. g., "2%" but use "percentage" in starting a generality or category, e.g., "The percentages reflect...."