**Letter of intent lay summary**

**Instructions for applicants**

FOREUM aims to fund projects that achieve tangible benefits for patients. Accordingly, financially supported research will need to demonstrate clear and measurable outputs in this respect. Hence, applications will be reviewed by trained members of the [EULAR patient research partner network](https://www.eular.org/eular_pare_community.cfm) and other patient research partners.

[Participation of patient organisations and patient research partners](https://www.eular.org/pare_patient_research_partners.cfm?fromSearch=patient%20research%20partners) is strongly recommended for clinical research projects and should be considered for all other research projects to provide experiential knowledge, with the aim of improving the relevance, quality and validity of the research process.

EULAR developed [guiding reference cards](https://www.eular.org/myUploadData/files/Eular_Reference_cards_25-04-13_1.pdf) and an [explanatory brochure](https://www.eular.org/myUploadData/files/Reference_cards_explained_Booklet_pages_23-08-13_1.pdf) available for project leaders, patient research partners and other parties interested involving patient organisations as project partners.

**Please provide a concise letter of intent summary of the project in lay language (non-scientific language for the general public) of not more than one page (Arial 11), using all the following sub-headings:**

1. **Lay title**
2. **Purpose of the project / study**
3. **Key design elements**
4. **Patient / patient organisation’s involvement (as research partners), roles and responsibilities**
5. **Expected output(s), including added value to patients.**