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Introduction

The research track at MT Summit 2023 has a wide range of topics with 33 papers selected from entire 50 submissions. The part of subjects covered by the research track, as indicated by the keywords in the titles below:

- Low-Resource, Zero-resource MT
- Document-Level, Coherent, Context-aware NMT
- Quality Estimation
- Multi-domain, Domain Robustness, Domain Adaptation
- Unsupervised NMT
- Robust NMT, Markup Translation
- MT Evaluation
- Annotation
- Poetry, Compounds, Dialectal
- Post-editing
- Sign Language, Multimodal

Among the 33 papers, 19 papers are accepted as oral presentations and 14 as poster presentations. The most popular subject is "Low-Resource" MT. The subjects of "Context-aware" NMT and "Quality Estimation" are also popular. We also have unique topics like Myanmar Sign Language, Translation with Markup, Robust NMT, Dialectal Arabic-Turkish MT, and Poetry Translation. These indicate we have both popular topics and unique topics, which could be overlooked in the larger general NLP conferences.

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Sincerely,
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