

An evaluation of thermal resilience techniques used by Multiple Sclerosis patients

INFORMED CONSENT FORM (Online Survey) (To be completed after Participant Information Sheet has been read)

Please read the following about Taking Part in the Online Survey:

- 1. The purpose and details of this study have been explained to me. I understand that this study is designed to further scientific knowledge and that all procedures have been approved by the Loughborough University Ethics Approvals (Human Participants) Sub- Committee.
- 2. I have read and understood the information sheet and this consent form. 3. I have had an opportunity to ask questions about my participation.
- 4. I understand that the personal information collected will be as follow: sex, age range, the year of diagnosis, type of MS, treatment regime. However, all data collected will be anonymous.
- 5. I understand that sensitive personal information, regarding my Multiple Sclerosis, will be collected during this study.
- 6. I understand that I am under no obligation to take part in the study, have the right to withdraw from this study at any stage for any reason, and will not be required to explain my reasons for withdrawing.

Please read the following for the Use of Information from your data:

- 1. I understand that all the personal information I provide will be processed in accordance with data protection legislation on the public task basis and will be treated in strict confidence unless (under the statutory obligations of the agencies which the researchers are working with), it is judged that confidentiality will have to be breached for the safety of the participant or others or for audit by regulatory authorities.
- 2. I understand that the information I provide will be used for publications, reports, web pages, research outputs.
- 3. I agree that the information I provide can be quoted anonymously in research outputs.
- 4. I give permission for the anonymized data I provide to be securely deposited in Loughborough Design School, Environmental Ergonomics Research group so that it can be made publicly available for future research at the end of the project.

1. Do you agree with the above statements explained to you about Taking Part in the survey and Use of Information of your data? Required
Yes
No (If you choose this answer, please close the survey)
Please note that this will be a click box selection on the final live survey.