



BSODR 2015 PRIZE COMPETITIONS

The Society administers the following prizes to encourage dental research in the United Kingdom by early career research workers:

Senior Colgate Prize

Junior Colgate Undergraduate Prize

Unilever Poster Prize

BSODR Clinical Research Prize

GSK-Mineralised Tissue Research Group (PER GSK-MINTIG)

Voco Prize for Dental Biomaterials Research

Oral Medicine and Pathology group prize

The BSODR prize competitions will be held during the forthcoming BSODR meeting in Cardiff. Some BSODR Prize competitions will be held during special sessions, the entrants may also be required to present their papers or poster a second time during the normal scheduled sessions of the meeting.

Please note: BSODR prize judging can precede the main body of the meeting and thus entrants are strongly advised to bear this in mind when making travel arrangements and contact the Chair of Awards before finalizing their itinerary.

Researchers are **only eligible to enter 1 prize** in any given calendar year and should be members of BSODR. However, two winners each year from the Senior and Junior Colgate Prizes or the Unilever Poster Prize are eligible to be considered for the IADR Unilever Hatton Divisional Award and are funded to attend the next international meeting of the IADR to compete in the international Unilever Hatton awards.

Prize entry should be requested at time of registration, retrospective entrants will not be considered. The oral presentations should take place within a 15 minute time slot, please allocate 10 minutes for your presentation with the remainder for questions and discussion. The poster presentations will comprise a concise 3 minute verbal presentation which describes the background, aims, and main findings, followed by questions from the judging panel.

Senior Colgate Prize – Oral

The Colgate-Palmolive Company generously offers a cash award of £500 for the best verbal presentation by a dental researcher. In addition, in order to reward the department in which the research was performed, Colgate-Palmolive will also provide a £5000 travel bursary to the prize-winner's Department which may be used towards expenses for a postgraduate student to spend time in a research centre of excellence in the UK or abroad.

Eligibility: Prize entrants should be post-graduate. The research will normally have been carried out in a British Institution and performed as part of a higher degree or within three years of obtaining a PhD. In order to be considered for the competition, the entrant's research may not have been published or presented at any major scientific meeting prior to submission.

How to enter: Please submit your abstract for the meeting using the on-line abstract submission process. There is a tick box available during the submission process for prize entries, please indicate which prize you wish to compete for and also whether you wish to be considered for the IADR Unilever Hatton Divisional Award.

In addition, you **will be required** to submit a manuscript of approximately 1500 words summarising your research presentation within 4 weeks of the abstract submission deadline. The standard manuscript format of Introduction, Materials and Methods, Results, Discussion and relevant references should be followed.

This manuscript is best submitted as an e-mail attachment to the Chair of the Awards Committee, Dr Simon Whawell (s.whawell@sheffield.ac.uk). If your paper includes large image files then these are often better handled as attachments if the file is converted into a pdf document using Adobe Acrobat®.

Junior Colgate Undergraduate Prize - Oral

The Colgate-Palmolive Company generously offers a cash award of £300 for the best verbal presentation by an undergraduate student. In addition Colgate-Palmolive will reward the prize-winner's department with £3000 to support undergraduate research in the coming year.

Eligibility: This competition will be limited to those candidates who have carried out their research in a British Institution as part of an undergraduate course (research undertaken as an undergraduate science student, as a dental student, or while pursuing an intercalated science degree while in training as a dental student). You must be within 1-year of graduation at the time of the meeting at which the prize competition is adjudicated.

How to enter: Please submit your abstract for the meeting using the on-line abstract submission process. There is a tick box available during the submission process for prize entries, please indicate which prize you wish to compete for and also whether you wish to be considered for the IADR Unilever Hatton Divisional Award.

Unilever Poster Prize

To encourage the pursuit of excellence in this mode of presentation, Unilever Research generously offers a cash award of £300 for the best poster presentation by a dental researcher. In addition Unilever Research will reward the prize winner's department with £3000 to support research within the department in the following year.

Eligibility: The competition is open to both undergraduates and postgraduates who have carried out their research in a British Institution. Entrants must be no more than 3 years post-doctoral at the time of the meeting at which the prize is adjudicated.

How to enter: Please submit your abstract for the meeting using the on-line abstract submission process. There is a tick box available during the submission process for prize entries, please indicate which prize you wish to compete for and also whether you wish to be considered for the IADR Unilever Hatton Divisional Award.

IADR Unilever Hatton Awards Entries

The BSODR is currently eligible to enter 2 people for the IADR Unilever Hatton awards competition (this eligibility is based on the number of members of the IADR within the division). The winners of the Senior and Junior Colgate Prize and Unilever poster prize will be eligible to be considered for the IADR Unilever Hatton Divisional Award in the Senior (Clinical or Basic Science) or Junior category as appropriate. Entrants for these prizes must indicate whether they also wish to be considered for the IADR Unilever Hatton Divisional award at the time of entry. Expenses for the entrants to visit the next IADR meeting, including tourist airfare and accommodation, will be reimbursed by Unilever. The BSODR reserves the right to nominate other prize competitors for the Hatton awards as it sees fit.

BSODR Clinical Research Prize

This is a recent addition to our prize portfolio, to encourage high quality clinical/pre-clinical oral and dental research involving human subjects and/or epidemiology studies. BSODR will offer a prize of £1500 for the best poster presentation in clinical dental research by a UK dental research worker. This prize is to be used towards the expenses for the winning individual to attend the next international meeting of the International Association for Dental Research.

In addition, BSODR will offer £1000 to the winner's School or Research Institute, to help fund future research projects.

Eligibility: The prize is open to both undergraduates and post-graduates. For undergraduates the competition will be limited to those candidates who have carried out their research as part of undergraduate/professional training (research undertaken as an undergraduate science student, as a dental student, or at a time of pursuing an intercalated science degree while in training as a dental student). For post-graduates the research will normally have been performed as part of a higher degree or performed within three years of obtaining a PhD. In order to be considered for the competition, the entrant's research may not have been published or presented at any major scientific meeting prior to submission.

How to enter: Please submit your abstract for the meeting using the on-line abstract submission process. There is a tick box available during the submission process for prize entries, please indicate which prize you wish to compete for.

GSK-Mineralised Tissue Group (PER-GSK-MINTIG) Travel Award – Oral Presentation

GlaxoSmithKline graciously offer a prize, worth up to £1,500 for travel to a conference or centre of excellence in mineralised tissue research, to encourage and stimulate research of the highest standard in the area of mineralised tissue research. It is recognised that such research may be multi-disciplinary in nature and the scope of the Group's activities include the study and understanding of the development, structure and functions of both dental and other mineralised tissues in health and disease encompassing both basic and clinical scientific approaches. Whilst the Group's primary interests are within the mineralised tissues themselves, their study cannot be conducted in isolation and consequently, the interests of the Group include areas such as dental caries, dental erosion, pulp biology, the hard- and soft-tissue interface and any other areas which have relevance to the study of mineralised tissues. All of the prize-winners to date, have used their prize to visit a centre of excellence overseas to gain experience and make new contacts and such use of the prize is strongly encouraged.

The prize will be judged on an oral presentation given during the PER meeting. In addition, you will be required to submit a manuscript of approximately 1500 words summarising your research presentation within 4 weeks of the abstract submission deadline. The standard manuscript format of Introduction, Materials and Methods, Results, Discussion and relevant references should be followed.

The winner will be required to prepare a short report for MINTIG, which summarises how the prize money was used and the benefits gained.

Eligibility: papers may be co-authored, although it is expected that entries for the prize will be in one name only and that person shall have been the major contributor to the work reported in the paper. Whilst no age limit exists, entries from researchers in the formative years of their careers will be encouraged.

How to enter: Please submit your abstract for the meeting using the on-line abstract submission process. There is a tick box available during the submission process for prize entries, please indicate which prize you wish to compete for.

In addition you will be required to submit a manuscript of approximately 1200 words summarising your research presentation to the Awards Committee within 4 weeks of the abstract submission deadline. The standard manuscript format of Introduction, Materials and Methods, Results, Discussion and relevant references should be followed.

This manuscript is best submitted as an e-mail attachment to the Chair of the Awards Committee, Dr Simon Whawell (s.whawell@sheffield.ac.uk). If your paper includes large image files then these are often better handled as attachments if the file is converted into a pdf document using Adobe Acrobat®.

Voco Prize for Dental Biomaterials Research - Oral

The Voco Company graciously offers an annual prize of £300 for the best oral communication on a topic related to dental biomaterials.

Eligibility: You must have carried out your research in a British institution and be not more than 35 years of age at the date of the meeting.

How to enter: Please submit your abstract for the meeting using the on-line abstract submission process. There is a tick box available during the submission process for prize entries, please indicate which prize you wish to compete for.

Oral Medicine and Pathology (OMP) Group prize

This recent addition to the prize portfolio is to encourage high quality research in the field of oral medicine and pathology carried out in a British institution. It will be awarded with a certificate from the Oral medicine and Pathology group of BSODR to the successful candidate. The prize will be judged from the abstracts and consideration of both poster and oral presentations given at the meeting.

Eligibility: This prize will be limited to those who are a member of the BSODR OMP group. The research must be in an area relevant to Oral medicine and pathology. Priority will be given to early career researchers but the prize is open to undergraduates and postgraduates.

How to enter: Please submit your abstract for the meeting using the on-line submission process. There is a tick box available during the submission process for prize entries, please indicate which prize you wish to compete for. Entry to this prize does not exclude you from entering other BSODR prizes.

NB It is the policy of the BSODR to provide informal feedback on the judging process to the prize entrants, if requested. Queries should be made in the first instance, to the Chair of the Awards Committee: Dr Simon Whawell (s.whawell@sheffield.ac.uk)