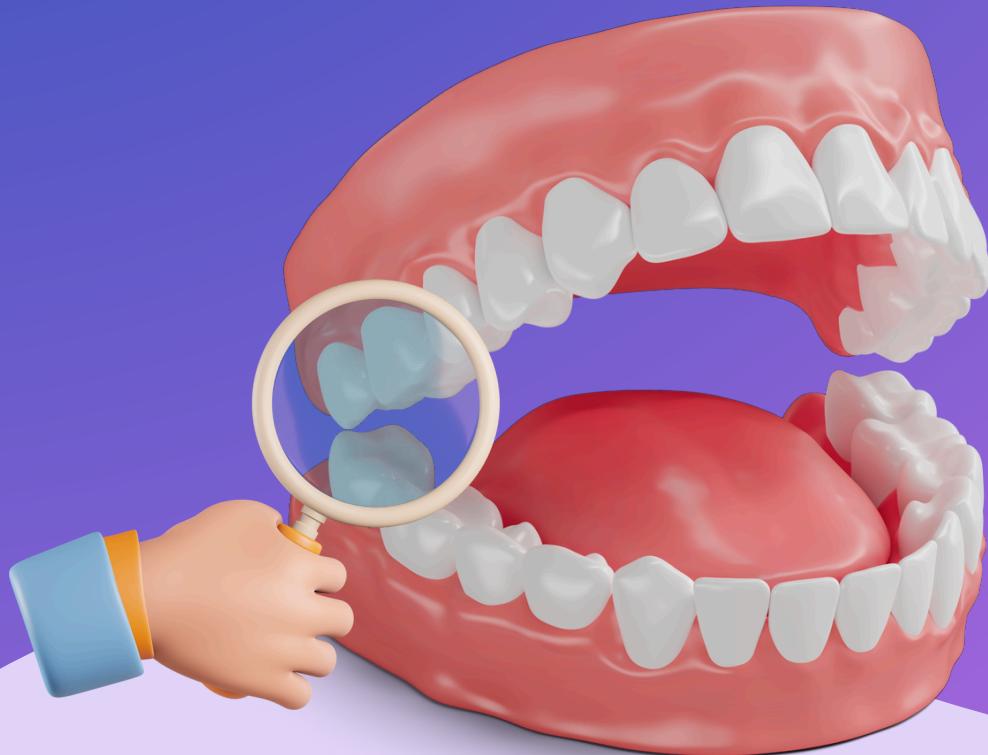


2026 MANUAL

ORAL SCIENCE RESEARCH COMPETITION



The Dental Association of Thailand

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THE DAT-Oral Science Research Competition:

The DAT-Oral Science Research Award Program, conducted and sponsored by *the Dental Association of Thailand* (hereafter DAT), provides the opportunity for one undergraduate student from each accredited dental school in Thailand to participate in the Annual Scientific Session of the Dental Association of Thailand and to compete for an award.

Definition of Program

The DAT-Oral Science Research Award Program is **an oral presentation of research work, which emphasizes basic oral science research.** The basic science research should aim to understand fundamental knowledge, processes or mechanisms underlying health, diseases, treatments or education. It must be orally presented completely in no more than 7 minutes to judges during period of the DAT annual session.

Work should be subclassified into one of the following groups:

- Behavioral, epidemiology and health services
- Cariology
- Craniofacial biology/development
- Dental materials
- Dental education
- Diagnostic science
- Geriatric and special care
- Implantology
- Microbiology/immunology
- Mineralized tissue
- Neuroscience/pain
- Oral/maxillofacial surgery
- Periodontal tissue
- Pediatric dentistry
- Pharmacology
- Pulp biology/regeneration
- Restorative dentistry
- Salivary research
- Stem cell biology

The presenter must be able to provide the answers to these questions.

- **What is the research question?**
- **What are the new findings?**
- **What is the clinical implication?**

The presentation must be demonstrating rationales, methods and results of research which have immediate **relevance to pre-clinical science basis to dentistry.**

Eligibility

The DAT-Oral Science Research Award program accepts the work done in the presenter's dental school, selected through a selection process at his/her school, has never been awarded nationally or internationally except for awards from applicant's own faculty. Participants must be undergraduate students or graduate with a D.D.S. degree not more than one year at the time of presentation at the DAT Annual Session. Participants must not be postgraduate students at the time of presentation. A presentation may be developed by two or more students but only one student from each school is eligible to present for judging and receive financial support from the DAT.

Invitation to Participate.

The initial letter of invitation to participate in the DAT-Oral Science Research Award Program is forwarded to the Dean of each school. The Dean will indicate whether the school will participate and name the faculty advisor to whom future correspondence should be directed.

Regulations

1. The competition is a closed, onsite, oral presentation session in English by one student only during judging. The competition is an oral presentation in front of judges. Each work must be presented in English by one presenter using PowerPoint, Keynote, or other presentation software. The study must not be awarded from national/international competition or conferences.
2. Students must submit the application form with **an abstract**, not to exceed 300 words in length in English, containing:
 - a. Title (maximum of 10 words)
 - b. Problem or Objectives: Identify reasons for investigation and provide background information
 - c. Methods: Report how the study was conducted, identifying techniques, drugs, animals, etc.
 - d. Results: The bulk of information should be contained here, listing the results of the study and their possible significances.
 - e. Conclusion: Provide definitive conclusion of the study.
 - f. Keywords: select no more than 5 keywords, in alphabetical order.
 - g. Work should be subclassified into one of the following groups:
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3. Each oral presentation, in English, must be no longer than 7 minutes in length, allowing another 10 minutes for Q & A.
4. Substitution of presenter or significant changes in the title of presentations from those listed in the official program is not permitted.
5. No advertising material may be distributed, nor any material shown which in any way resembles a commercial promotional effort. Drugs and products mentioned in the presentation generally should be identified by chemical formula or by generic name. Trade names may be used for identification and clarification purposes only. Should the use of trade names be advantageous to the viewer's understanding of the presentation, the rationale should be submitted in writing to the Dental Association of Thailand 15 days in advance of the annual session requesting the Dental Association of Thailand approval. Commercial promotion of a product or service by trade name is absolutely prohibited.

6. All presenters must report to the competition room half an hour before the judging session begins.
7. **Only one presenter is permitted during the judging session.**

ANY VIOLATION OF THE ABOVE REGULATIONS WILL AUTOMATICALLY DISQUALIFY THE STUDENT FROM COMPETITION.

Method of Selection

The Dental Association of Thailand does not designate a specific procedure for the selection of students. However, the Association does require each school to utilize the mechanism of a student competition conducted either by the student association or the school itself. It is acknowledged that each school has its separate set of rules or guidelines in the selection of the student winner. However, it must be understood that the student who participates in the program must adhere to the regulations established by the Dental Association of Thailand.

Registration for Annual Session

All students and advisors will be pre-registered, courtesy of the DAT. The badges will entitle them admission to all scientific sessions as well as the technical exhibition area.

Time of Presentation

Students are required to present their work to the judges only, in a closed session, **from 13:00-16:00 on June 17, 2026.**

Expenses

The finalists will receive not more than 5,000 Baht/presenter, from the DAT, as travel expense to the annual session (500 Baht/presenter for the teams from Bangkok or vicinity e.g. Pathumthani, Samutprakan, Nonthaburi). Usual documents supporting travel expenses must be provided for reimbursement. Participants for the teams from outside of Bangkok or vicinity (e.g. Pathumthani, Samutprakan, Nonthaburi) are required to stay in the hotel provided by the organizing committee and present at the award presentation (**June 18, 2026**).

Award Ceremony

The award ceremony takes place to honor all the student researchers participating in the program at the award presentation on **June 18, 2026**. The students will receive the recognition they deserve as the official representative of their dental schools. Awards will be presented to the winners of the first and second prizes. **Invitations and RSVP cards are forwarded directly to each student, dean and faculty advisors from the DAT.**

Awards

The winners will receive awards from the DAT including:

1. **The first prize winner (one presenter)** receives a travel prize to the FDI Annual World Dental Congress, in which his or her work is to be *presented* as a part of the FDI Scientific Program. Transportation, hotel, and meal expenses to the FDI World Dental Congress are provided by the DAT.
2. **The second prize winner** receives a 500 USD cash prize.

Suggestions

The following suggestions are designed to assist students in the preparation:

1. Judges are looking for scientific substances and are not impressed with sophisticated gadgets, etc.
2. A complete oral presentation in English must be no longer than 7 minutes.
3. The presenter should be prepared to answer questions regarding the presentation.

Responsibility of School

Each eligible school is required to complete a form furnished by the Dental Association of Thailand indicating its desire to participate in the program and listing the name of the faculty advisor who will assist the student in properly fulfilling the requirements of the program.

Responsibility of Faculty Advisor

It is imperative that the faculty member appointed by the dean to serve as the advisor should make sure that every aspect of the student's research presentation follows the regulations established by the Dental Association of Thailand. The advisor should also see that the student returns all completed forms by the due date.

Responsibility of the Participants

1. Complete all forms and necessary documents via online system furnished by the Dental Association of Thailand no later than May 18, 2026.
2. PDF file of the presentation must be electronically submitted to the DAT by June 10, 2026.
3. Present their work to the judges from 13:00 to 16:00 on June 17, 2026. Be ready in the presentation room at 12:30.
4. Being present for award presentation.
5. Pay incidental hotel charges when checking out (room service, phone calls, mini bar, etc.), if any.

Note that the expense for shipment of materials for the presentation is not available.

Additional Information

Faculty members or students seeking additional information, regarding the regulations of the Student Clinician Program are invited to call at 02-539-4748 (fax: 02-514-1100) or email to thidentalnet@gmail.com or write to:

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Regulations will be announced yearly.

Additional requirements may be applied with appropriate notice.