

**THE DAT - ORAL SCIENCE
RESEARCH AWARD**

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**The Dental Association of Thailand
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Wangtonglang, Bangkok 10310
Thailand**

**THE DAT-ORAL SCIENCE RESEARCH AWARD PROGRAM:
A POSTER 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

A poster competition is ***a poster presentation which emphasizes on basic oral science research.*** It must be presented completely in no more than 5 to 7 minutes to judges, and displayed during period of the DAT annual session.

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?**

This is a poster 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, and must be selected through a competition at his/her school. Participants must be undergraduate students, or graduated with a D.D.S. degree not more than one year *at the time of presentation of the poster competition at the D.A.T. Annual Session.* Participants must not be postgraduate students at the time of presentation. A poster may be developed by two or more students but only one student from each school is eligible to present the poster 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 or not the school will participate, and name the faculty advisor to whom future correspondence should be directed.

Regulations

1. The competition is a closed poster-presentation session, and each poster must be **presented in English by one student only** during judging. For the open presentation, other students who assist in producing the poster presentation may be present or assist.
2. Students must submit the application form with **a summary** of their poster (an abstract), not to exceed 350 words in length in English, containing:
 - a. Title
 - 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 results of the study and their possible significances.
 - e. Conclusion: Provide definitive conclusion of the study.
3. Student must remain at the poster at all times during the judging session.
4. **The poster size is 80 cm (width) x 120 cm (height), submitted as a printed form, and is to be brought in and mounted on the judging day.**
5. Each presentation, in English, should be no longer than 5-7 minutes in length.
6. Substitution of presenter or significant changes in the title of poster presentations from that listed in the official program is not permitted.
7. Amplified sound devices, heavy office equipment, patients, live models, video-tape or computer program are not allowed.

8. If material is to be handed out, it is strongly recommended that it be only one-page synopsis of the poster presentation. All materials to be distributed by the students must be sent to the Dental Association of Thailand at least 15 days prior to the annual session for forwarding to the judges. However, these materials will not be marked by the judges.
9. 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.**
10. Students must report to the poster presentation area in the exhibit hall no later than half an hour before the judging session begins, to assemble poster. Access to the poster presentation area will be allowed starting at 7:30 a.m. Business attire is required for all students.
11. **Only one presenter is permitted in the poster presentation area during the judging session.**

ANY VIOLATION OF THE ABOVE REGULATIONS WILL AUTOMATICALLY DISQUALIFY THE STUDENT FROM COMPETITION AND THE POSTER PRESENTATION WILL NOT BE JUDGED.

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 will be pre-registered, courtesy of the D.A.T. 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 poster presentations to the judges only in a closed session from 9.00 am to noon on the day designated. An open presentation takes place that day during which time (to be announced) posters are presented informally to all annual session attendees who wish to view them. **Award winner** may be required to repeat the poster presentation to all annual session attendees who wish to view them. (time and location for open presentation will be provided).

Expenses

The finalists will receive 5,000 Baht/team as travel expense, from the DAT, to the annual session. Usual documents supporting travel expenses must be provided for reimbursement. Participants are required to be present at the annual meeting for award presentation (time and location will be provided).

Award Ceremony

Award ceremony takes place to honor all the student researchers participating in the program at the DAT annual ordinary meeting. The students will receive the recognition they deserve as the official representative of their dental schools. Awards will be presented to 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. First prize winner receives a **travel prize to the FDI Annual World Dental Congress, which his or her poster is to be presented as a part of the FDI**

Scientific Program. Transportation, hotel, hotel transportation and meal expenses to the FDI World Dental Congress are provided by the DAT.

2. Second prize winner receives a **travel prize to the IADR-SEA division annual meeting, which his or her poster is to be presented as part of the Scientific Program.** Transportation, hotel, hotel transportation and meal expenses to the IADR-SEA meeting are provided by the DAT.

Suggestions

The following suggestions are designed to assist students in the preparation and the presentation of their posters.

1. Keep in mind that a poster presentation is a poster demonstration, not table top exhibition, lecture or essay.
2. Judges are looking for scientific substance and are not impressed with sophisticated gadgets, etc.
3. A complete presentation, in English, of the poster presentation (demonstration and commentary) should be no longer than 5 to 7 minutes.
4. The presenter should be prepared to answer questions regarding the poster 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 poster presentation is in compliance with 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 via online system furnished by *the Dental Association of Thailand no later than November 13, 2020.*
2. Submit an abstract or a summary in English (300 words maximum) of the poster presentation *to the Dental Association of Thailand, via online submission system, with a recent photograph of the presenter as an attached file with a resolution of no less than 2 MB.*
3. **Poster, in printed form, is to be brought in by the presenter and mounted on the judging day.**
4. *Remain at the DAT annual session* for award presentation.
5. Pay incidental hotel charges when checking out (room service, phone calls, mini bar, etc), if any.

Shipping Instructions

An expense for shipment of materials for presentation is not available.

Additional Information

Faculty members or students seeking additional information are invited to call at 02-539-4748 (fax: 02-514-1100) or email to thaidentalnet@gmail.com or write to:

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