



28th Health Sciences Centre Poster Conference
14-15 February 2024
Rules and Regulations for Award Categories – 2024
Submission Deadlines
Abstract Submission- 1st December 2023
Award Category- PDF of Posters – 24th December 2023



Rules and Regulations for Award Categories

Award Categories:

- a) Dr. Nael Al-Naqeeb Award for Undergraduate Research
- b) Graduate Research Award for Master's Program
- c) Graduate Research Award for PhD Program
- d) Graduate Research Award for Medical Residents
- e) Researcher Award for Basic Sciences- (Non-Academic, Assistant, Associate)
- f) Researcher Award for Clinical Sciences- (Non-Academic, Assistant, Associate)
- g) Case Report Award

Important Dates to Remember

- 30th September 2023: Call for Abstract Opens
- 1st December 23: Abstract Submission closing
- 10th – 21st December 23: Review Period
- 24th December 23: Decisions to Submitters
- 24th December 23: Award category- pdf format of posters
- 5th February 24: Poster position numbers to Presenters
- 14-15 February 24 – Poster & Oral presentations

General Rules:

- h) At least 50 % of the work presented in the abstract/poster should be done in Kuwait (except for the award category- Kuwaiti Oversees HSC Student)
- i) The applicant for the award should be the first, presenting and corresponding author of the abstract, and is responsible for poster presentation in the poster conference.
- j) The name of the supervisor/s should be included in the list of authors.
- k) The affiliation of each author must be mentioned in the abstract. A student's affiliation should include their course (e.g., Medicine, Pharmacy etc.), and year of study (e.g., 3rd year medical student, COM; 1st year allied health science student, etc.). A student author should not use their supervisor's affiliation.
- l) The research must be done after obtaining appropriate ethical approval from MOH /KU/ COM/ or other regulatory bodies.
- m) Abstracts describing experiments unapproved by the ethical committee/s will not be considered for any award.
- n) All authors must contribute significantly to the award category abstracts.
- o) An author may submit a maximum of six abstracts (of which a maximum of two as first author).
- p) The First author and the sequence of the co-authors positions in the list of authors should be finalized and approved by all members of the research group before submission. No changes will be allowed after the initial submission.



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- q) The first author has to submit a declaration form (in a specific format for each award category, available at <http://www.hsc.edu.kw/poster>) duly signed by all authors and supervisor/ applicant to the Centre for Research Support and Conferences, FOM, within a week after abstract submission closing date.
- r) Without a signed declaration letter within the above time limit, abstracts will not be considered for any award.
- s) The first author of the abstract must submit a soft copy (PDF) their poster as it will appear during the poster conference on or before 24th December 2023, to poster.hsc@ku.edu.kw
- t) The first author of the winning poster must present (oral presentation) the contents of the poster during the poster conference closing ceremony (14-15 February, 2024; between 1:00PM to 5:00 PM; the date and time is subject to change without a prior notice).
- u) Poster/s that do not comply with the above rules will not be considered for an award.

Specific rules for different Award Categories

1. Dr. Nael Al-Naqeeb Award for Undergraduate Research (GCC and Kuwait)

- Undergraduate students from GCC and Kuwait University- HSC and those students who have graduated within the last 12 months before the last date of the poster conference are eligible for contesting for this award. **This includes medical students in the clinical years.**
- The research work should be hypothesis driven.
- All authors must contribute significantly to the presented research work.
- The student should be the first author of the abstract.
- The supervisor's/supervisors' name should be included in the author list as co-author/s.

2. Graduate Research Award for Master's Program

- Students who are enrolled in graduate M.Sc. Programs in HSC or those who have graduated within the last 12 months before the last date of the poster conference is eligible for contesting for this award.
- Abstracts must be extracted from the Master student's thesis work.
- The student should be the first author of the abstract.
- The supervisor's/supervisors' name should be included in the author list as co-author/s.

3. Graduate Research Award for PhD Program

- Students who are enrolled in PhD programs in HSC or those who have graduated within the last 12 months before the last date of the poster conference are eligible for contesting for this award.
- The first author should be the PhD holder/student perusing a PhD course.
- The abstract must be extracted from the PhD student's thesis work.
- The supervisor's/supervisors' name should be included in the author list as co-author/s.



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4. Graduate Research Award for Medical Residents

- The first author should be a medical resident in Kuwait during the 12 months before the last date of the poster conference.
- The resident who is eligible for the award should be the first author of the poster.

5. Researcher Award for Basic Sciences- (Associate Professor, Assistant Professor, Non-Academic)

First Author Basic Science classifications:

- o Non-Academic- Teaching Assistant, Research Associate, Research Assistant, Technical Staff
- o Basic Science Assistant Professors in Health Sciences Center, KU
- o Basic Science Associate Professors in Health Sciences Center, KU
- The first author should submit affiliation along with the declaration form.
- The Researcher who is eligible for the award should be the first author of the poster.
- The research work should have been conducted at Kuwait University/any other research organization in Kuwait or in collaboration with overseas Universities.
- The research work should be hypothesis-driven.

6. Researcher Award for Clinical Sciences (Associate Professor, Assistant Professor, Non-Academic)

First Author Clinical Science classifications:

- o Non-Academic- Teaching Assistant, Research Associate, Research Assistant, Technical Staff
- o Clinical Science Assistant Professors in Health Sciences Center, KU
- o Clinical Science Associate Professors in Health Sciences Center, KU
- The first author should submit affiliation along with the declaration form.
- The Researcher who is eligible for the award should be the first author of the poster.
- The research work should have been conducted at Kuwait University/any other research organization in Kuwait or in collaborations with overseas Universities.
- The research work should be hypothesis driven.

7. Case Report Award

- The first author should be 35 years of age or less at the date of the conference.
- The first author should be an academic staff in Kuwait University/Physician in MOH
- The first author should submit the soft copy of the Civil ID along with the declaration form.