



ISBF 2021 Twitter Poster Conference

The International Society for Biofabrication (ISBF) is excited to announce the inaugural ISBF Twitter Poster Conference for Early Career Researchers. This online event aims to offer a forum for young researchers in the field of Biofabrication to connect, network and present their research in a remote setting. The conference will run over a full day to ensure participants from all time zones can contribute at their own time slots of convenience, and have a chance to learn from the posters posted by colleagues worldwide.

Date: 17th – 18th February (held over a 24-hour period starting from 11:00 am on February 17th to 11:00 am on February 18th, Eastern Standard Time).

All participants will be asked to present their posters using the official hashtag of the conference. The hashtag will be communicated shortly before the beginning of the event on February 17th. Participants will be able to exchange knowledge and collaborate on latest research and emerging areas of interest with peers and experts and gather interdisciplinary reactions.

All participants will have to submit an abstract and register on the webpage. Registration is free of charge. Eligible participants will also have the opportunity to compete for awards.

1. Call for Abstract

We welcome abstracts from early career researchers (students or postdoctoral researchers) working in the field of biofabrication, on one of the following themes and beyond, as they related to biofabrication:

- Biomaterials/Bioinks/Biopolymers
- Lab-/Organ-on-Chip Technologies
- Biofabricated Tissues and Organs
- Evaluation, Characterisations, and Quality Control for Biofabrication
- Fabrication Methods and Technologies
- Regulatory/Ethics and Clinical Translation
- Industrial Applications in Biofabrication

Abstract submission guidelines and instructions

- Abstracts must be submitted to through the dedicated online form at the following link:
<https://forms.gle/dp5Ytru92w3bRY4j6>
- Abstracts must be in the form of a graphical abstract (see template) and written in English
- All materials must be the work of the authors listed and appropriately referenced
- The guidelines for the preparation of the poster and the poster template will be provided together with the notification of acceptance.

Abstract submission deadline: February 4th 2021

Abstract Acceptance Notification: February 8th 2021

2. Call for Awards

The purpose of the ISBF 2021 Twitter Poster Conference Awards are to recognize outstanding contributions submitted by members of the ISBF who are in the early stages of their career in the field of Biofabrication.



Award Eligibility

Candidates for an award must be active ISBF members at the time of registration for the 2021 ISBF Twitter Poster conference, and must participate in the event by submitting their poster within the timeframe detailed in the Call for Abstracts. When applying to the conference and submitting an abstract, award candidates must indicate their interest in consideration for an “Award” by checking the appropriate box and category on the abstract submission registration form. Applicants must be first (or co-first) and presenting author for the specific poster for which they are to be considered for an award. Only one application for award consideration per conference participant is allowed. If a participant submits multiple applications for award consideration, only the first request for consideration that is submitted will be considered for an award.

Types of Award

A total of three Award categories are available for the Best Poster Contribution:

- **Best Undergraduate Student Poster:** Available to bachelor and master students who have not yet started their doctoral studies at the time of registration.
- **Best Graduate Student Poster:** Available to all graduate students who have not obtained a doctoral credential (i.e., PhD, MD, or equivalent) at the time of registration. This category includes graduate students who have already received a Master’s degree. There is no limit on how much time has passed since applicants have received their undergraduate degree.
- **Best Postdoctoral Researcher Poster:** Eligibility limited to Postdocs within 5 years after reception of their PhD or MD (or equivalent) credentials.

All three Awards consist of a monetary prize of \$250 USD and a digital ISBF 2021 Twitter Poster Conference Award Certificate.

Selection Criteria

All abstract submissions that indicate a desire for Award consideration will be reviewed. The five highest ranking abstracts in each category will be invited by the Conference Scientific Advisory Board to provide a recorded rapid-fire presentation, not longer than 5 minutes each, explaining the work highlighted in the Poster.

The contributions will be assessed based on the following criteria:

- Quality (i.e., clarity and organization) of the abstract
- Quality of graphical components
- Novelty and innovation
- Potential impact on the field of biofabrication
- Sufficiency of methods, results, discussion, conclusions, and funding or non-author acknowledgements
- During the conference, quality of the presentation recording and subsequent response to reviewer questions

Announcement of the Awardees

The winner of each category will be announced on February 18th at the end of the ISBF online webinar (Speaker: Prof. Jason Burdick, University of Pennsylvania, USA) that will conclude the Twitter Conference. The awardees will also be announced also on Twitter and the Awardees will be contacted by the ISBF. Awardees need not attend the live announcement to win an award.