



CSVM Best Abstract Award Terms of Reference

The Canadian Society of Vascular Medicine (CSVM) aims to improve the health for all patients with or at risk for vascular disease and to support vascular medicine practitioners in the delivery of this care. In 2024, the CSVM established the CSVM Best Abstract Award to recognize excellence in vascular medicine research.

Applicants submitting their research abstract in the vascular medicine field to the Canadian Cardiovascular Congress (CCC) will be given the opportunity to submit their abstract for the CSVM Best Abstract Award under the 'Recognition, Awards, & Bursaries' task.

A call will go out annually to all CSVM members adhering to the CCS Call for Science deadline for CCC abstract submissions.

Eligibility Criteria:

1. The abstract must be submitted to the Canadian Cardiovascular Congress (CCC) in the field of vascular medicine.
2. Only the first author of the abstract is eligible to submit.
3. The first author must be a Resident/Fellow/Researcher Member-in-Training or Early Career Member i.e. transitioning through their first seven years in practice.
4. Clinical or basic science research is accepted.

Selection Criteria:

1. Abstracts that are accepted for presentation at CCC will be considered.
2. The recipient will be selected by the CSVM's Board of Directors or by a Committee selected by the Board based on the following criteria:
 - a) Quality of abstract;
 - b) Scientific question;
 - c) Rigour of methodology employed; and
 - d) Clinical or scientific originality and impact existing literature.

Finalist Presentation:

In addition to their CCC abstract poster presentation, the finalist will present their research at the CSVM Symposium.

Award Prize:

The award will be presented at the CCC at the CSVM Annual General Meeting (AGM). The winner will receive a \$500 cash award, as well as an honorary certificate.