



## **Pediatric Transplant Trainee Research Award Best Pediatric Transplant Abstract(s)**

**Applications for the 2026 Annual Scientific Meeting are now being accepted.  
Application deadline: May 1, 2026**

One of the missions of the CST Pediatric Group is to encourage trainee participation in clinical and basic science research in the field of pediatric transplantation.

### ***Prizes Available***

Up to 2 prizes will be awarded by the CST Pediatric Group for the best trainee **pediatric abstracts** submitted to the CST 2026 Annual Scientific Meeting.

### **Adjudication process**

All abstracts will be reviewed and scored by the CST Pediatric Group Executive committee members and/or invited expert reviewers. Abstract reviewers will be blinded to the author's name. The committee will be asked to consider relevance to pediatrics and scientific merit and will score and rank each abstract according to a standard scoring strategy. A minimum acceptable score will be set in order for the abstract to be eligible for the prizes. The two top ranked abstracts (one in the basic science category and one in the clinical category) will be awarded up to \$1500 each. If there is no submitted abstract in the category that meets the minimum acceptable score, no prize will be awarded in that category.

### **Eligibility**

- Eligible candidates are trainees in the field of pediatric transplantation, at the undergraduate, graduate or post-graduate levels. Medical students, medical and surgical residents and fellows, basic scientists in training, and allied health trainees are encouraged to apply.
- Applicants must be members of the CST (Trainee membership fee is \$50)
- Applicants' research supervisor must be a current member of the CST (though does not need to be a pediatric member)
- Abstract must have pediatric relevance

**Abstract Formatting**

- Co-Authors' first name, last name and affiliation must be provided.
- The abstract must be organized in a structured format with sections for Background, Methods, Results and Conclusion and may not exceed 300 words in total.
- Do NOT include institutions in the abstract title, body or in the attachments to ensure a blinded review process.
- Prior to submission, the abstract submitter must ensure the abstract and all contents, including attachments fit on a single 8.5 x 11 page size.
- Minimum font size allowance is: 10 point
- Minimum Margin allowance is: Top 1", Bottom: 0.5", Left: 1", Right: 1"

**File Attachments**

- Up to a total of three (3) Figures, Images, Tables and/or Charts may be included in JPEG, PDF or PNG format.
- Each image, figure, table and/or chart must be legible.
- Each file size cannot exceed more than 3 Megabytes per file.

**What will the Pediatric Trainee Research Awardee receive?**

- Award of \$500 CAD and a certificate of award
- Travel bursary of \$1000 CAD (eligible if travelling for in-person presentation at CST Pediatric Group Annual Meeting)
- Complimentary registration for the Annual Meeting (Need to write to CST Administration to receive the registration, citing this award notice)
- Ticket for the Social Events (Need to write to CST Administration to receive the registration, citing this award notice)
- Acknowledgement at the CST Pediatric Group Annual Meeting

**What is expected of the Pediatric Trainee Research Awardee?**

- In-person attendance at the CST Pediatric Group Annual Meeting
- In-person presentation of your abstract at the CST Pediatric Group Annual Meeting
- Participation at the CST Annual Meeting and conference

NOTE: The Pediatric session will be held in September 2026 during the CST Annual Meeting. In-person attendance/presentation at the CST Pediatric Group Annual Meeting is desirable, but virtual presentations can be considered (however, travel bursary of \$750 will only be awarded for in-person attendance/presentation).

**Application process for the Pediatric Trainee Research Award**

- You may apply by completing the on-line form found here and submitting your abstract through the abstract system at: [Conference Abstract Platform](#)

- The application deadline is May 1, 2026
- Only applications that are received by the application deadline will be considered.
- Prize announcements will follow and will be announced in advance of the meeting.