

## Biochemical Society Science Communication Competition 2017 Terms and Conditions

It is a condition of entry that all rules are accepted as final and that the competitor agrees to abide by these rules. Submission of an entry will be taken to mean acceptance of these terms and conditions.

1. This competition is open to all undergraduate and postgraduate students. No employee, agent, affiliate, officer or director of Portland Press Limited or the Biochemical Society is eligible to enter. Entrants must be aged 18 or over.
2. Only one entry is permitted per person.
3. To enter the written strand of the competition, you must provide your original piece of writing in no more than 1500 words and complete the entry form. To enter the video strand of the competition, you must provide your original video of no more than 2-5 minutes in length and complete the entry form. If you have any questions about how to enter or in connection with the competition, please email us at [scicomm@biochemistry.org](mailto:scicomm@biochemistry.org).
4. The closing date of this competition is midnight on 7 April 2017. Entries received after this date will not be considered.
5. All entries will go through a short listing process and will be judged on:
  - i) Level of spelling and grammar
  - ii) Level of coherence
  - iii) Level of creativity
  - iv) Scientific accuracy
  - v) Appropriateness to target audience (educated member of the general public)
  - vi) How engaging it is to the target audience

Articles will not be judged on any images included in the text unless they add value to a scientific explanation. Entries must include references where appropriate. All short listed entries will be notified and their entries will go through a final round of judging with a panel of experts.

6. The winners will receive the below:

- 1<sup>st</sup> Prize: £300 and a professional mentoring session
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize: £200 and a professional mentoring session
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Prize: £100 and a professional mentoring session

The winning entries will be published in *The Biochemist* (subject to editing) and on the Biochemical Society website. Winners will be asked to sign a license to publish.

The winner will be notified by email within 35 days of the closing date. If the winner does not respond to the Biochemical Society within 14 days of being notified then the winner's prize will be forfeited and the Biochemical Society shall be entitled to select

another winner (and that winner will have to respond to the email from the Biochemical Society within 14 days or else they will also forfeit their prize).

7. The Biochemical Society has the right to substitute the prize for a similar item of equal or higher value if the stated prize is not available.

8. The Biochemical Society takes no responsibility for entries that are lost, delayed, misdirected or incomplete or cannot be delivered or entered for any technical or other reason. Proof of delivery of the entry is not proof of receipt.

9. Events may occur that render the competition itself or the awarding of the prize impossible due to reasons beyond the control of the Biochemical Society and accordingly the Biochemical Society may at its absolute discretion vary or amend the competition and the entrant agrees that no liability shall attach to the Biochemical Society as a result thereof.

10. The Winner may be required to partake in promotional activity.

Promoter: Biochemical Society, Charles Darwin House, 12 Roger Street, London, WC1N 2JU, UK; do not send entries to this address.