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## THE ASN/PROCTER & GAMBLE GRADUATE STUDENT RESEARCH AWARDS COMPETITION

This awards program challenges graduate students in nutrition by providing a special oral session in which they compete in presenting their research findings. Abstracts of papers prepared for this competition should be electronically submitted to *EB 2010* by **November 4, 2009 (or until the submission site officially closes)**. **YOU MUST BE AN ASN MEMBER IN ORDER TO COMPETE.**

At the time of submission of your abstract, you will be prompted to identify your status. You will need to indicate that you are a GRADUATE STUDENT, submitting your abstract to a “Nutrition” topic category (XXXX-ASN). You will then be able to select from the ASN awards box either the Procter & Gamble Graduate Student Research Award competition or the Clinical Emerging Leaders Award competition. **YOU MAY NOT ENTER BOTH COMPETITIONS.** The MIRA submission site will prompt you for the remaining eligibility criteria. It will be necessary to include the name, email address, and university affiliation of your sponsor; that you are doing graduate work in nutrition and will not have received a doctoral degree prior to November 4, 2009. In addition, the submission site will ask you to remove all funding information and all other identifying data. Simply stated, your abstract submitted to the competition shall just have a title and the abstract body and nothing else. The rest of the required information will be collected and stored on the site. Again, to be eligible for this competition abstracts must be submitted to a topic category identified by “**Nutrition**” in the topic category list. An ASN committee will review the abstracts, without knowing the names of the authors, sponsors, or institutions, and will rate them based on the following criteria:

- Conceptualization of the problem and the experimental design
- Logic and adequacy of methodology and experimental design
- Selection of critical data and elimination of nonessential data
- Organization and clarity of figures and tables and quality of visual aids
- Explanation of methods and results
- Interpretation of data and quality of conclusions drawn therefrom

The committee will select 12 abstracts to be presented twice, once in an oral or poster session (as part of the main *EB2010* programming) and then in the special oral competition session on Saturday afternoon, April 24, 2010. The 12 finalists will be asked to *electronically* [[ameyers@nutrition.org](mailto:ameyers@nutrition.org)] send manuscripts (similar to the talks to be presented) to the ASN office by **February 15, 2010**. Each finalist will receive \$750 to defray travel expenses and an engraved certificate. At the oral competition, an anonymous panel of judges will rate the manner and mechanics of presentation and ability of the students to project their ideas and to answer questions. Three winners selected by the judges will receive an additional \$500 award.

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