

## STANLEY PEART PRIZE

### Entrant Terms and Conditions

1. This competition is open to Early Career Researchers (ECR) working in the UK. An Early Career Researcher is defined as an undergraduate or postgraduate student or employed in a training-grade role, up to and including specialist registrar level or at early career researcher level, or equivalent, as deemed appropriate by the Executive Committee. Only one entry per ERC is permitted.
2. A prize of up to £1000 in the form of travel expense receipts paid, will be awarded to the competition winner, along with registration, travel expenses (up to £200 for economy travel) and one nights' accommodation for the BIHS Annual Scientific Meeting. A certificate will be presented at the BIHS Annual Scientific Meeting (ASM). The competition winner will be notified at least one month in advance of the ASM.
3. It is expected that the prize funds will be used to facilitate the competition winner in undertaking a short visit to other laboratories or attending an international scientific meeting, to further their educational or research experiences. The prize winner will be required to report back to the BIHS on their experience before the Annual Scientific Meeting the following year.
4. The winner will need to submit a proposal, to be approved by the BIHS Executive Committee on how they want to use the prize money. If the winner plans on visiting another institution, they must receive a letter of agreement from that institution to host the visit. The prize money of up to £1000 will ONLY be transferred to the winner once and expenses form has been completed and all receipts relating to the activity are received by the BIHS after the activity has taken place.
5. The winner will only receive a reimbursement of travel receipts up to a maximum of £1000. If the full £1000 is not utilised, the winner will not receive the remaining cash funds.
6. The maximum word count for essays is 2000 words (excluding references). A maximum of two images or tables will be accepted. Entries must be submitted in either Microsoft word (doc or docx) or PDF files. No other formats will be accepted. Please do not submit any personal details on the essay. All submissions will be reviewed blindly.
7. Entries should be unique and not published elsewhere or submitted to other essay competitions and should not be of someone else's work.
8. Entries should be submitted via the dedicated portal on the BIHS website.
9. The competition closes on **Sunday 3 May 2026** at 23:59. The winner will be notified by email on or before **Monday 8 June 2026** and all other competitors notified by email shortly thereafter. We are unable to provide feedback on individual entries.
10. All entries must be the original work of the entrant and must not infringe the rights of any other party.
11. Be aware that if you use AI tools (such as ChatGPT or others) to generate the essay (or part of the essay) and submit this as if it were your own work, this will be regarded as a breach against the competitions rules and your essay will be disqualified. Essays will be checked thoroughly for any sign of AI tools being used.

12. Entrants will retain copyright to the work they submit. By entering the competition, all entrants grant to the BIHS the right to publish and exhibit their work in any of our publicity and on the website. No fees will be payable for any of the above uses. The winning essay will be submitted for publication in the Journal of Human Hypertension. Please note that there is no guarantee of acceptance as the submission will still be subject to the Journal's standard review and editorial processes.
13. By entering the competition, entrants will be deemed to have agreed to be bound by these rules, and the BIHS reserves the right to exclude any entry from the competition at any time if the organisers have reason to believe that an entrant has breached these rules.
14. The BIHS reserves the right to cancel this competition or alter any of the rules at any stage, if deemed necessary in its opinion, and if circumstances arise outside of its control.
15. The winner must be able to attend the Annual Scientific Meeting 2026. Please ensure you are able to attend on 13 and 14 September 2026, prior to submitting your application.
16. If the winner is unable to be contacted after reasonable attempts have been made or is unable to attend the ASM without reasonable explanation, the BIHS reserves the right either to offer the prize to a runner up, or to re-offer the prize in any future competition.
17. All entrants will be required to sign up to have read, understood and accepted these terms and conditions, and if any of the rules are deemed to have been breached, the submission will automatically be disqualified