



Australian Society
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ELSDON STOREY RESEARCH AWARD

Originally called the First Research Award, the Elsdon Storey Research Award is advertised annually by the Australian Society of Orthodontists Foundation for Education and Research (ASOFRE). The prize, for the most meritorious first research paper, consists of a cash award of AUD \$5,000 and an inscribed bronze medallion.

Award conditions

1. The ASOFRE Committee shall determine the general conditions and manner of submission for the prize.
2. The entrant must be a member of the Australian Society of Orthodontists Inc.
3. Papers submitted must be of significance to orthodontics and based generally, though not exclusively, on a post-graduate thesis report. Conventional scientific format must be followed and should be formatted as ready for submission to the Australian Orthodontic Journal, or other major orthodontic or research journal.
4. Individuals may submit an original research paper pertaining to orthodontics, or a related field, which was not based on research carried out as part of an advanced training programme, provided this was their first research project and the individual has not previously published a paper.
5. Authors may submit a maximum of one entry each time the prize is advertised. If the study is to be presented or published as two or more separate parts, only one of the publications or parts can be submitted for the Award. Entries should not normally exceed 15,000 words.
6. If the entry is a paper with multiple authors, the candidate must acknowledge that he/she is the major contributor to the research and to the paper.
7. The ASOFRE Committee shall appoint assessors who shall be anonymous to each other to evaluate the entries. Acting on their advice the ASOFRE Committee may or may not elect to award the prize.
8. Award winners will be required to present a paper describing the research at a Congress or Foundation meeting of the Australian Society of Orthodontists Inc.
9. \$2,500 and the medallion will be presented to the successful candidate at an appropriate ASO Congress or Foundation Meeting. The remaining \$2,500 will be provided to the successful applicant after submission of the paper to the Australian Orthodontic Journal or other major orthodontic or research journal, or presentation at a Congress or Foundation meeting of the Australian Society of Orthodontists Inc.
10. The ASOFRE Trust Committee may present a **SPECIAL MERIT AWARD** to an unsuccessful applicant.
11. The decision of the ASOFRE Committee is final and applicants have no right of access to assessors' reports or the ASOFRE Committee's deliberations.

ENTRY SUBMISSIONS

The closing date for submissions is November 30th each year.

Please submit by email:

1. A copy of the paper, formatted according to the requirements for publishing in the Australian Orthodontic Journal or other major orthodontic or research journal. All identifying references to the author and university programme must be removed to maintain anonymity with the assessors. If identifying references are not removed it may lead to the disqualification of the entry.
2. The title (first) page should consist only of the title of the paper (with author, and university or institution NOT identified).
3. A separate document identifying the title of the paper, the name(s), affiliation(s), postal address, telephone and fax numbers and e-mail address(es) of the author(s). This document should also include a statement that the candidate is the major contributor and author to the study, and details of any previous submissions (with or without revisions) of this paper for awards and/or publication.
4. Curriculum vitae of the applicant.

Email entries to:

ASOFRE Secretary.

For ASOFRE Secretary contact details see ASO website at:

http://www.aso.org.au/Docs/ASO_Information/ASO_Office_Bearers/ASO_Committees/ASOFRE.htm

Information and instructions for Assessors of the Elsdon Storey Award

- Assessors will be appointed by the ASOFRE Committee and will remain anonymous to each other and all others.
- Assessors may decide no entries submitted are worthy of the award.
- If two or more papers are of very high standard assessors can recommend a 'Merit' award for the runner(s) up.
- Format of submitted papers is to conform to the submission requirements of the Australian Orthodontic Journal or other major orthodontic or research journal, otherwise deductions will be made.
- It is recommended that deductions be made when a submission is unnecessarily long, contains unnecessary tables, contains incomplete or unnecessary referencing, has conclusions not supported by the data and contains spelling and formatting mistakes.

• Papers are to be scored with the following sections and criteria in mind:	
Abstract (suggested limit 250 words)	10 marks
Introduction and Aims	10 marks
Materials and Methods	20 marks
Images (if no images required or provided 'Materials and Methods' to be out of 25)	5 marks
Statistics and Results	10 marks
Tables (If no tables required or provided 'Discussion & Conclusion' to be out of 15)	5 marks
Discussion and Conclusion	10 marks
Quality of Layout and Grammar and appropriate length and content (suggested total limit of 15,000 words)	10 marks
Contribution to Literature	20 marks
Total	100 marks

- Assessment sheets will be provided to the assessors.