



27TH VITAMIN D WORKSHOP, STRASBOURG, FRANCE

JUNE 30-JULY 3, 2026

YOUNG INVESTIGATOR RECOGNITION AWARDS

The 2026 VDW will provide awards to highlight highly ranked abstracts submitted by young investigators. To be considered for an award, abstracts must be received by the April 1st deadline. Further eligibility criteria are described below. Awardees must attend the conference in person and will receive a monetary award and certificate during a recognition ceremony.

Please indicate your interest in being considered for an award during the Abstract Submission process. There is no additional application necessary, trainees will be notified after completion of abstract ranking if further information is required. Winners will be notified via email by May 18, 2026.

To submit an Abstract, please visit <https://vdw.swoogo.com/vdw2026/cfs/>

Tony Norman Awards

Three awards honoring VDW founder Anthony Norman will be offered to the top ranked abstracts submitted by junior faculty, post-doctoral fellows or graduate students. Candidates must be conducting either basic or clinical research on vitamin D and must be the first or senior author on a submitted abstract. Junior faculty must be within 5 years of their first independent appointment and fellows within 5 years of their PhD, MD or other doctoral degree. Graduate students must be currently enrolled in a PhD program. The major selection criterion is the scientific merit of the abstract. After abstract submission and ranking, competitive candidates will be asked to submit a brief CV and a letter confirming eligibility from their Department Chair or supervisor. The awardees will be scheduled to present their work as a promoted oral communication or a plenary poster in Strasbourg.

Trainee Travel Awards

These awards to offset travel costs are intended for individuals who are still in training, namely undergraduate or graduate students and postdoctoral fellows (including clinical fellows). Selection will be based on the scientific merit of a submitted abstract. Award recipients must be the first/submitting author and must attend the conference in Strasbourg. Documentation of training status may be requested in the form of an email from the candidate's supervisor. Winners will give a short talk or a poster presentation at the 2026 Vitamin D Workshop.

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