

# **International Young Investigator/Clinician Awards in Vascular Medicine**

**Joint Awards by: VAS-APSAVM-ESH-ESL-ESM-EVF-ISL-LWA-SVM-VASCERN-VASCA**

## **Joint Awards & Coordination**

- By: VAS-APSAVM-ESH-ESL-ESM-EVF-ISL-LWA-SVM-VASCERN-VASCA
- Coordinated by: VAS-European Independent Foundation in Angiology/Vascular Medicine

## **Aims**

### **First aims:**

- Improve motivation and gratification of Young Doctors, Clinicians, Researchers, especially in the area of Vascular Medicine
- Enforce attention to vascular diseases, linking specialized areas of Vascular Medicine

### **Contributing to:**

- Attention and dedication to patients and Social View of science
- Quality of future Public Health

## **Exclusion criteria**

- Age > 40 Years
- Involvement in commercial activity
- Projects supported by Industry
- Projects in conflict with Ethics
- Conflict of Interest

## **Area**

- Vascular Medicine

## **Sub-Areas**

- Peripheral Arterial Disease
- Buerger
- Arterial diseases
- Atherosclerosis
- Thrombosis
- Hypertension
- Lymphedema
- Lipoedema
- Venous Disease
- Microcirculation
- Vascular Anomalies

## General criteria for Nomination

- Motivation letter by the proposer, specifying: 1-Sub-area and Topic ; 2-Proposed Award (for the career or for a specific realized project; for the latter a description of the Project is needed)
- CV of the nominee
- Supporting Letters

Not preferred, but also accepted, auto-nomination, using the attached Declaration Form

## Awards on Three Topics

- Research (Basic, Translational, Clinical)
- Awareness
- Clinical & innovation merits

Topics are activated, depending on the available qualified nominations.  
Equal Merits are accepted

## Criteria for Basic, Translational, Clinical Research

### Relevance & Significance

- The research addresses a pressing question or gap in vascular medicine.
- Potential to positively impact patient care, public health, or scientific understanding.

### Originality & Innovation

- The study presents novel concepts, methods, or insights.
- Creative approach in hypothesis formulation or execution.

### Scientific Impact & Quality of Evidence

- The research provides strong and credible evidence.
- Clear presentation of results with logical interpretation.
- Potential for publication in reputable scientific journals.

### Ethical & Social Considerations

- Compliance with ethical guidelines, patient privacy, and respect for cultural sensitivities.
- Clear conflict-of-interest disclosures, with no undue commercial influence.

## Criteria for Awareness

### Clarity & Relevance

- The awareness initiative focuses clearly on a pressing vascular issue.
- Information is accurate, evidence-based, and accessible to the intended audience.

### Impact on Public Understanding

- Potential to reduce stigma, misconceptions, or lack of knowledge about vascular diseases.
- Encourages proactive health measures and fosters community support.

### Collaboration & Partnerships

- Effective cooperation with healthcare professionals, patient organizations, or relevant stakeholders.
- Demonstrates synergy that extends reach and impact.

**Ethical & Social Considerations**

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- Clear conflict-of-interest disclosures, with no undue commercial influence.

**Criteria for Clinics****Originality & Innovation**

- Proposal with novel concepts, methods, or insights.
- Creative approach in hypothesis formulation or execution.

**Personal Involvement and patient dedication**

- Documented projects for patients benefit,
- Department/Unit organization to facilitate clinical access and quality of assistance

**Ethical & Social Considerations**

- Compliance with ethical guidelines, patient privacy, and respect for cultural sensitivities.
- Clear conflict-of-interest disclosures, with no undue commercial influence.

**Scientific Committee-Criteria and role**

- One Representative for Each Organization
- Selection of the finalists (1-3 for each of the Topics, depending on the number and quality of nominations)
- Reject attribution of the Awards, if none of the finalists is qualified.

**Restricted Committee -Criteria and role**

- Not representing single Organizations, but rather few (3-5) qualified experts on Vascular Medicine-
- Changing every 4 years. Reconductio possible
- VAS as Coordinating Organization has a guarantee 1 Member in Restricted Committee
- Final decision on the winners, voting between the names selected by the Scientific Committee

**Honorary Awards and facilities for Winners**

- The Awards are Honorary Awards
- Free registration for the VAS European Angiology Days (EADays) (organised via the web live), following the Award.
- Free registration for VAS Laboratory for Vascular Medicine-Yearly upgrading on European and International Projects (in presence) for the year following the Award.
- Free Registration also for another (selected by the Winner) Collaborating Organization Congress, when eligible.

- The winning project should be presented by the Winner both during the EADays Ceremony and eventually during the Congress of her/his specific sub-area or region (in agreement with specific Organization)

### **Dissemination by Collaborating Organizations**

- The Award will be disseminated and mentioned in all the Organizations Newsletters and mentioned on their web sites, asking for nominations (common link). From May 2025
- The list (or logos joint image) of the Collaborating Organizations must be always reported.
- Winner/s will be announced during the European Angiology Days-International yearly Academic Conference, where a presentation will be made by the Winner/s.
- The collaborating Organizations can invite to give a presentation during their Congresses (depending on their specific interest of the Award winner topic)
- All the Organizations will mention on their Newsletter and web site the winners' names and any relevant news.

### **Timeline**

- Scientific Organizations' adhesion completed in 2025
- Definition of criteria/modalities in early 2025
- Launch for nominations (from all the Organizations web/newsletters) May 2025
- Collection of Nominations until 20 September 2025
- Committees' evaluation completed for the end of October. Final Decision early November (10 November)
- First Award end 2025 (22 European Angiology Days, 28-30 November 2025)

### **Web pages and nominations**

- The central Award web page for all joint information and from where Nominations can be sent will be : [Young Awards - VAS-INT](#)
- Every Organization can have its own webpage , but with a link to the central one (above) to send Nominations