



## Student Poster Competition Competition Guidelines

BIOCON 2024 invites students from post-secondary institutions in Canada to submit abstracts for the Atlantic BIOCON 2024 Student Poster Competition.

College, Undergraduate, Graduate, and PhD Students are invited to submit their projects and/or research relating to innovation in the Canadian Bioeconomy. Examples include:

- Creating new innovative products from natural resources; (eg. wood fibre, seaweed, etc.)
- Creating new products from waste materials; (eg. municipal solid waste, fly ash, organic waste etc.)
- Capturing and storing greenhouse gasses;
- Capturing biogas from landfills;
- Creating energy from biomass materials;
- Fermentation and bio-processing to produce natural products such as novel proteins;
- Using technology to divert waste.

A maximum of 18 posters that meet the eligibility requirements will be selected to be presented on-site during the Atlantic BIOCON2024 held from May 28-30, 2024, at Saint Mary's University in beautiful Halifax, Nova Scotia. Students will present to the BIOCON2024 participants and to a judging panel of Bioeconomy experts who will select first, second, and third place winner. Prizes will be awarded as follows for each category:

- First Place: \$500
- Second Place: \$300
- Third place: \$200

Interested students are encouraged to send an abstract (200 words max.) explaining their research project and its relevance to themes of the conference (<http://www.atlanticbiocon.ca>) to [josee.landry@ccnb.ca](mailto:josee.landry@ccnb.ca) and [ryan@greenspringbio.ca](mailto:ryan@greenspringbio.ca) by **Sunday, March 3, 2024**. Acceptance notifications will be sent out by **March 17, 2024**. When sending your abstract by email, make sure to:

- Have **BIOCON2024 poster competition and your name** in the email title.
- Information needed in the email:
  - o Full name
  - o Name of your academic institution
  - o Level of study (college, undergraduate, graduate, PhD)
  - o Title of the project

### RULES REGARDING THE POSTER COMPETITION

1. The poster should be fully the work of the student(s) and or student team.
2. The poster should not be previously published or presented at another conference which has assigned copyright. If any plagiarism or copyright issues are found for the abstract, it will not be accepted.
3. Poster must be submitted by the deadline. Submissions received after the deadline will not be considered for evaluation.
4. Atlantic BIOCON reserves the right to accept or reject any abstract/poster without assigning any reason.

### LIVE PRESENTATIONS MAY 29-30, 2024

1. Selected posters will be invited to present in person to BIOCON participants and to the judging panel of Bioeconomy experts May 29<sup>th</sup> and May 30<sup>th</sup> at Saint Mary's University in Halifax, Nova Scotia.
2. At least one of the authoring students must be present at this presentation.
3. Judging will occur in the morning of May 30<sup>th</sup> and results will be announced in the afternoon of May 30<sup>th</sup>.
4. Winning posters will also be promoted through Atlantic BIOCON social media channels.

Contact for Questions:

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