

## VMSG Student Prizes Scoring criteria

Please evaluate each category with a score from 1-10. Descriptors associated with marks: 5 or less = adequate, 6 = good, 7 = very good, 8 = excellent, 9 = exceptional, 10 = outstanding

### Talks

*Presentation: The presentation score will make up 33% of the total score.*

Organisation and structure

Does the presentation follow a logical narrative that is easy to follow?

Visuals, design and appearance

Are the slides visually appealing and uncluttered, and do they support the spoken narrative?

Time management

Did the pace of the presentation feel balanced and unrushed, and did the speaker stick to time?

Communication (diction, volume and clarity)

Was the content communicated clearly?

Engagement, style and overall presence

How well did the speaker engage and maintain the attention of the audience?

*Scientific content: The scientific content score will make up 67% of the total score.*

Comprehension and knowledge of the field\*

Did the presentation demonstrate a solid grasp of the subject and the wider literature context?

Significance and originality

Is the research presented impactful and innovative, and does it provide a substantial contribution to advancing knowledge in this area?

Ability to answer questions

Did the presenter handle questions calmly and assuredly, providing informative and relevant answers?

Speaker kept to allotted time?

## **Posters**

*Presentation: The presentation score will make up 33% of the total score.*

Organisation and structure

Does the poster follow a logical narrative that is easy to follow?

Visuals, design and appearance

Is the poster visually appealing and engaging, and does the design help communicate the key points?

*Scientific content: The scientific content score will make up 67% of the total score.*

Comprehension and knowledge of the field

Did the presentation demonstrate a solid grasp of the subject and the wider literature context?

Significance and originality

Is the research presented impactful and innovative, and does it provide a substantial contribution to advancing knowledge in this area?

## **Final comments**

Do you recommend this presentation for an award?

Comments for the awards team (up to 20 words)

Feedback to the student (1. Things done well, 2. Areas for improvement)