

Call for Applications for various **ASSI Awards 2026**

Categories:

- 1. ASSI Clinical Research Award 2026**
- 2. ASSI Basic Science Award 2026**
- 3. ASSI Young Investigator Award 2026**
- 4. ASSI Publication Award 2026**
- 5. ASSI Traveling Fellowship Award 2026**

Kindly Note:

- ONLY VALUE-ADDED ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION (VAAS) MEMBERS OF ASSI CAN APPLY FOR THE AWARDS**
- THE SAME RESEARCH WORK CANNOT BE SUBMITTED IN MULTIPLE CATEGORIES**
- A MEMBER MAY SUBMIT MULTIPLE RESEARCH PAPERS WITHIN A SINGLE CATEGORY**
- CASE REPORTS WILL NOT BE ENTERTAINED**

ASSI CLINICAL RESEARCH AWARD – 2026

Only Value Added Annual Subscription (VAAS) Members of ASSI are eligible for this award.

ASSI encourages clinical research projects undertaken by its members. The ASSI Clinical Research Award is a certificate of honour and **Indian Rupees 50,000/-** (Fifty thousand) which is presented during ASSICON 2026.

Complete report of a research project finished in 2025, including the treatise, yet unpublished, should be submitted to assisecretariat@assi.in by **31st October 2025**. The judges are three senior ASSI members.

ASSI – BASIC SCIENCES AWARD – 2026

Only Value Added Annual Subscription (VAAS) Members of ASSI are eligible for this award.

ASSI encourages research on “Basic Sciences” undertaken by its members.

The ASSI – Basic Sciences Award is a certificate of honour and **Indian Rupees 50,000/-** (Fifty thousand) which is presented during ASSICON 2026.

Complete report of a research project finished in 2025, including the treatise, yet unpublished, should be submitted to assisecretariat@assi.in by **31st October 2025**. The judges are three senior ASSI members.

ASSI – YOUNG INVESTIGATORS AWARD – 2026

Only Value Added Annual Subscription (VAAS) Members of ASSI are eligible for this award.

ASSI encourages research projects undertaken by its young members, less than 35 years of age.

The ASSI – Young Investigators Award is a certificate of honour and **Indian Rupees 25,000/-** (Twenty-five thousand) which is presented during ASSICON 2026.

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A.S.S.I. PUBLICATION AWARD – 2026

Only Value Added Annual Subscription (VAAS) Members of ASSI are eligible for this award.

ASSI acknowledges & recognizes the member who has made the most substantial contribution to published literature in the year 2025.

The award includes a certificate and an award of **Indian Rupees 25,000/- each** (Twenty Five thousand) to be presented during the General Body Meeting, ASSICON 2026. The successful candidate must be there in person at ASSICON 2025 to receive the award.

Submission criteria should be as under:

- Publication dates from **1st October 2024 to 30th September 2025**
- Publication that was applied for in previous years cannot be considered.
- All official acceptance letters (to be provided at the time of application) before 30th September from the journals
- All official acceptance letters from journal editors dated before 30th September (for manuscripts accepted but not yet published) are to be provided at the time of application, if these manuscripts are to be considered for the award.

All Published material from 1st October 2024 to 30th September 2025 with DOI / PMID Number, should be submitted to assisecretariat@assi.in by 31st October 2025.

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS FOR **ASSI Travelling Fellowships 2025**

Applicant must be a Value Added Annual Subscription (VAAS) Member of ASSI

ASSI awards two travelling fellowships from amongst ASSI members. The duration of the fellowship is three weeks and begins with attending ASSICON/ICS 2026 and then visiting two/ three spine surgery centers in different parts of India. The registration fee and local hospitality for ASSICON/ICS 2026 will be borne by the local organizers of ASSICON/ICS 2026. Each ASSI travelling fellow receives actual payments for travel (by 2nd AC / Air whichever is cheaper) and stay (arranged by local organizers) on receipt of a written report of the fellowship from the selected fellow.

Travel to the ICS meeting and thereafter to the two/ three centers in India and back home, as well as local subsistence, including stay and travel, is arranged by the selected fellows in coordination with local organizers. The local organizers offer organizational support.

The applicant has to be a life member along with a Value Added Annual Subscription (VAAS) member of the ASSI and be under the age of 35 years. Should send his/her curriculum vitae with an application stating what the expectations of this fellowship are:

Application must indicate:

- Current professional position
- Current work profile, including percentage of spine work in practice
- Special spine interests
- Contribution to ASSI as regards conferences attended, papers/posters presented, meetings organized etc
- Contribution to academics as regards international/ national/ regional papers/ publications/ podium presentations etc
- Specific expectations from the Travelling fellowship (in 50 words)

Application should be filled up in the **prescribed format (copy enclosed or download it from the ASSI Website: www.assi.in** and submitted to assisecretariat@assi.in by **31st October 2025**.