



# Alltech Young Scientist Paper and Presentation Requirements

There are two categories in the Alltech Young Scientist program: Undergraduate and Graduate.

- Undergraduate students can participate and compete in the Undergraduate Category.
- Masters or PhD degree students can participate and compete in the Graduate Category.

## Paper Requirements – Regional Competition Phase

- Entrants must write a scientific paper that meets the following requirements:
  - The paper should focus on one of the topics in the document <Alltech Young Scientist Area of Interests for Research Papers.pdf>. Additional topics may be submitted for approval to [youngscientist@alltech.com](mailto:youngscientist@alltech.com).
  - The paper must be original and unpublished.
  - The paper must be written in English.
  - The paper must include a summary with a maximum of 250 words.
  - The paper must include the following sections: Summary, Introduction, Materials, Results, Discussions and Reference.
  - Undergraduate papers should be 3000-3500 words. Graduate papers should be 3000-5000 words. In both cases, the summary and references are not included in the word count. Papers that continue beyond the given word count may not be considered.





- The following papers are not accepted:
  - Papers submitted by students without a professor's nomination
  - Plagiarized papers
  - Published papers
  - Review papers
- Papers must be submitted online in Microsoft Word format.
- Completed entries must be received by 11:59 PM EST on December 31.
- Entries may be declared invalid if they are late, ineligible, or incomplete.

### **Presentation Requirements – Global Competition Phase**

- Each finalist must appear in front of a panel of judges and audience at the Alltech Ideas Conference to present his/her work and participate in a question and answer session.
- Each finalist will have 15 minutes for the presentation plus 10 minutes for questions
- Presentations must be based on the original paper submitted for the competition. Sound experimental design and interpretation are essential.
- Presentations must be made using Microsoft PowerPoint software.
- Entrants must be prepared to present their research in English.





## Reminder of Competition Structure

1. Register Online
2. Enter the Regional Competition Phase

During this phase, participants submit a research paper to be evaluated by a panel of judges. Four regions are identified: North America, Latin America, Europe/Africa, and Asia/Pacific. The top three participants from each region will be selected and rewarded with cash prizes.

3. Global Competition Phase

Each regional winner will advance to the Global Competition in Lexington, Kentucky, and are referred to as 'finalists'. All finalists are expected to attend the all-expense-paid Alltech Young Scientist Discovery Week in Lexington, Kentucky, USA in May during the Alltech ONE Conference. During this week, finalists must present their research findings to a panel of judges and audience to compete for the global winner title and prize package.

If you have any questions, please email [youngscientist@alltech.com](mailto:youngscientist@alltech.com)