

**NIPiCON 2026**  
8th International Conference of Institute of Pharmacy  
“Transforming Healthcare: New Horizons in Pharmaceutical Sciences for Viksit  
Bharat”  
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***PHARMA INNOVATOR AWARD GUIDELINES***

**Pharma Innovator Award**

The *Pharma Innovator Award* aims to celebrate and encourage the next generation of scientific leaders whose pioneering research holds promise to drive impactful advances in pharmaceutical sciences and healthcare innovation. In alignment with the vision of *Viksit Bharat 2047*, this award recognizes young researchers whose original and transformative contributions demonstrate the potential to shape the future of drug discovery, development, and clinical translation.

**Eligibility Criteria**

- **Target Group:** Early-career researchers/faculty member, including postgraduate, doctoral (Ph.D.), and post-doctoral scholars actively engaged in pharmaceutical sciences research.
- **Age Limit:** Applicants must be below 35 years of age as of **31st December 2025**.
- **Conference Participation:** Nominees are required to submit and present their research at *NIPiCON 2026* through an oral presentation session.
- **Originality:** The submitted work must represent original, unpublished research that has not been previously presented at any major scientific forum.

**Submission Guidelines**

- **Nomination Process:** Applications must be submitted online via the official conference website. Self-nominations are welcome.
- **Submission Deadline:** All entries must be received by the deadline specified in the conference brochure.
- **Required Documents:**
  - **Curriculum Vitae (CV)/Résumé** outlining academic background and professional achievements.
  - **List of Research Outputs**, including publications, presentations, and notable recognitions.
  - **Abstract** detailing the innovative work.
  - **Supporting Materials** such as patents, recommendation letters, or other evidence demonstrating the research’s innovation and impact (optional but encouraged).
  - **Duly filled and signed application form and declaration by the applicant and research supervisor/guide**

**Evaluation Process and Criteria**

Submissions will be reviewed by an expert panel comprising members of the *Advisory Board* and *Organizing Committee*. Each entry will be evaluated on the basis of:

- **Originality and Creativity:** Novelty of the research idea, approach, or findings.

- **Scientific Rigor:** Soundness of methodology, experimental design, and reliability of data.
- **Significance and Impact:** Potential to advance pharmaceutical sciences, address unmet medical needs, or contribute to healthcare transformation.
- **Presentation Quality:** Clarity, logical structure, and effectiveness of the oral presentation delivered at the conference.

## **Recognition and Reward**

The recipient(s) of the *Pharma Innovator Award* will be formally honoured during the **NIPiCON 2026 Award Ceremony**. The award package will include a **cash prize, certificate of excellence**, and a **trophy** recognizing outstanding innovation and research excellence.

In addition, the awardees may receive **support to participate in future national or international conferences**, fostering continued scientific growth and collaboration.