



# 2024 EXCELLENCE IN THERMOSET POLYMER RESEARCH AWARD

**Entry Forms Due on November 2, 2023. Papers Due on December 7, 2023.  
Winner to present at TRFA Annual Meeting on May 8, 2024 at  
The Loews Philadelphia Hotel in Philadelphia, PA.**

## Grand Prize

- \$1,500 cash award and an award plaque.
- An invitation to present the winning paper at the 2024 TRFA Annual Meeting, with complimentary registration for one person.
- Two-night complimentary accommodation at the TRFA meeting hotel.
- Additional travel allowance for one person up to \$500.
- Award winner will have their name and research title posted on the TRFA website and to be included in TRFA Meeting Materials, distributed to all attendees.

## Additional Prizes May Be Awarded!

TRFA also awarded Honorable Mention Recipients with a \$500 cash award, along with up to \$500 in travel subsidies. Depending on the quality of submissions, the TRFA may also invite applicants to display posters about their respective papers. [Click here to see results of past competitions.](#)

## The Competition

The Thermoset Resin Formulators Association (TRFA) developed the Excellence in Thermoset Polymer Research competition to encourage and recognize advances in the science, engineering, and technology of thermosetting polymers and their formulations, used in a variety of industrial applications such as adhesives, sealants, electronic encapsulants, coatings, composites, and molding compounds. It is intended to provide student researchers with visibility and exposure to potential future employers.

## Who is eligible?

The competition is open to all BS, MS and PhD students at an accredited college or university in the USA and Canada.

## How to Participate

- Entries must be in the form of research papers in the traditional scientific journal format.
- The research topic should be related to Thermoset Polymer Science and Technology.
- Submit a completed entry form and your research paper to TRFA Headquarters at [info@trfa.org](mailto:info@trfa.org), or via online form. Your entry form must be received no later than Thursday, November 2, 2023 to be considered. Your paper must be received no later than Thursday, December 7, 2023 to be considered.
- Although complete papers are required for judgment process, the award winner is NOT required to publish the paper in meeting materials and on TRFA website.

# 2024 EXCELLENCE IN THERMOSET POLYMER RESEARCH ENTRY FORM

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*Note: Entry Form must include the attached Submitter Release Form if the entrant, if awarded the grand prize, intends the winning paper to be published in TRFA meeting materials and on the TRFA Website and included in the Meeting Flash Drive. The TRFA Academic Panel may address the entrants for further questions and verification regarding their papers during the judging process.*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Program of Study: \_\_\_\_\_

Advisor/Professor Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Advisor/Professor Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Advisor/Professor Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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If you are awarded the grand prize, do you intend this paper to be published in TRFA Meeting Materials and on the TRFA website? *(Please note, your answer will not affect submission consideration.)*

YES  NO

Title of Research Paper: \_\_\_\_\_

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Abstract (Less than 200 words): Please attach in a word document.

Return this form via email to [info@trfa.org](mailto:info@trfa.org) OR mail:

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