



IMRC NextGen 2026

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IMRC NextGen is an international scientific competition designed to inspire **high school students** to explore medicine through research, innovation, and scientific discovery.

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Phramongkutklao College of Medicine
Bangkok, Thailand

FOREWORD

Organizing Chairperson

Dear Honorable Guests and Distinguished Speakers,

On behalf of the Organizing Committee, it is my great pleasure to welcome you to **IMRC NextGen 2026** – International Scientific Presentation Competition for High School Students.

This year's theme, "**Bridging Health Boundaries: One Health, One World, One Future,**" reflects our belief that the future of healthcare depends on collaboration across disciplines, communities, and nations. Through the One Health approach, we recognize the close connection between human, animal, and environmental health, inspiring the next generation to develop innovative solutions for global challenges.

IMRC NextGen was established to inspire talented high school students to explore scientific research, strengthen critical thinking, and cultivate curiosity beyond the classroom. We believe that research is not only about discovering new knowledge but also about asking meaningful questions, solving real-world problems, and creating positive impacts on society.

This competition provides a unique international platform for students to present their research, exchange ideas with peers from around the world, and receive valuable feedback from experienced scientists, physicians, and educators. We hope this experience will encourage participants to develop confidence, creativity, communication skills, and a lifelong passion for scientific inquiry.

Beyond the competition, IMRC NextGen offers opportunities to build international friendships, experience academic collaboration, and gain inspiration from leading researchers and medical professionals participating in the International Medical Student Research Conference (IMRC 2026). We hope this journey will motivate many of you to become future physician-scientists, healthcare innovators, and global leaders committed to improving the health and well-being of our communities.

To every participant, congratulations on reaching this remarkable milestone. Your curiosity, dedication, and passion for learning represent the foundation of tomorrow's medical and scientific advancements.

We wish you every success throughout the competition and hope your experience at IMRC NextGen 2026 will inspire you to continue exploring, discovering, and making a meaningful difference in the world.

Welcome to IMRC NextGen 2026, and best wishes for an inspiring and memorable experience.

Sincerely,

Nualphan Waeosri
Organizing Chairperson
International Medical Student Research Conference 2026

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PRESENTATION OVERVIEW

Host Phramongkutklao College of Medicine (PCM) and Consortium of Thai Medical Schools (COTMES)

Venue Phramongkutklao College of Medicine, Bangkok, Thailand

What IMRC NextGen is

 **IMRC NextGen** is an international scientific competition designed to inspire **high school students** to explore medicine through research, innovation, and scientific discovery.

As the youth program of **the International Medical Student Research Conference (IMRC 2026)**, IMRC NextGen provides an international platform where aspiring young researchers can develop scientific thinking, communicate research findings, and engage with leading educators, researchers, and healthcare professionals.

IMRC NextGen aims to:

- Inspire high school students to pursue scientific inquiry and medical research.
- Foster curiosity, critical thinking, creativity, and evidence-based problem-solving.
- Develop scientific communication and presentation skills through international competition.
- Promote innovation in medicine and healthcare among future leaders.
- Encourage international collaboration and cross-cultural academic exchange.
- Cultivate the next generation of physician-scientists, healthcare innovators, and global citizens.

Competition Categories

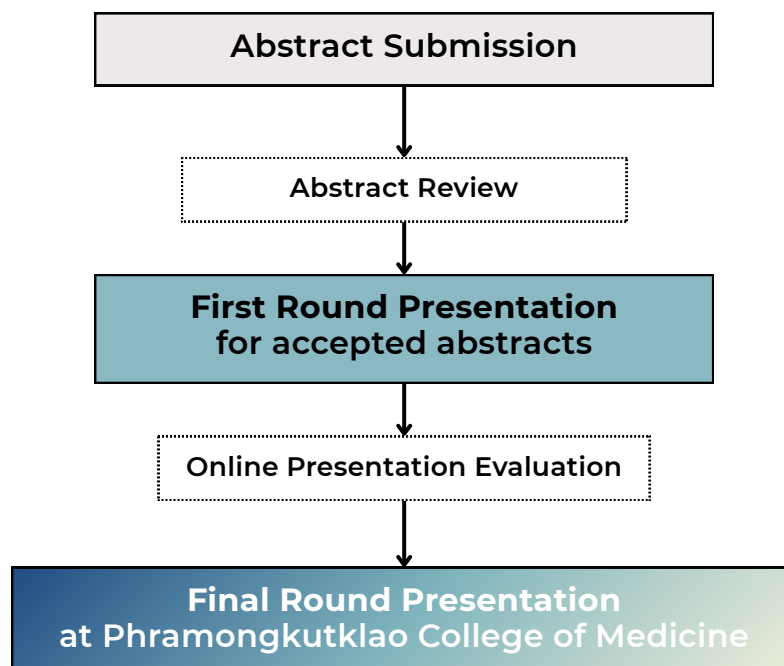
- Participants are invited to present original research or innovative projects in one of the following categories:
 -  **Medical-related Science Track**
 -  **Medical Innovation Track**
 -  **Artificial Intelligence in Medicine Track**

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Why Participate?

- IMRC NextGen offers participants the opportunity to:
- Present their research on an international stage.
- Receive constructive feedback from distinguished scientists, physicians, and educators.
- Strengthen research methodology, critical thinking, and scientific communication skills.
- Build friendships and academic networks with students from around the world.
- Gain inspiration for future careers in medicine, biomedical science, and healthcare innovation.
- Become part of a global community dedicated to improving health through science and innovation.

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Registration

High school students wishing to participate in IMRC NextGen 2026 must complete the online registration through the IMRC Official Website by the specified deadline.

Each submission represents one research project, which may be presented by one (1) to three (3) student presenters. All presenters must be listed during registration.

Each research project may also include accompanying persons (e.g., teachers, parents, or guardians). The number of accompanying persons may be limited by the Organizing Committee.

Eligibility:

Applicants must meet all of the following criteria:

- Applicants must be current high school students (Grades 10–12 or equivalent) at the time of registration.
- Each research project may have one (1) to three (3) student presenters.
- All listed presenters must have made a genuine intellectual or practical contribution to the research project and should be able to explain the study, methodology, results, and conclusions during the presentation and question-and-answer session.
- Research projects submitted to IMRC NextGen must represent the original work of the student presenter(s) or research in which the presenter(s) have made a substantial contribution.
- The Organizing Committee reserves the right to request additional information or documentation to verify authorship and research contribution if necessary.
- All presenters and accompanying persons must complete the registration process before the registration deadline.

Research Integrity and Authorship

All submitted work must comply with the principles of academic honesty and research integrity.

By submitting a project, all presenters certify that:

- The submitted work is original or is based on research to which they have made a substantial intellectual or practical contribution.
- All listed presenters have actively participated in the research and are able to explain the study during the presentation and question-and-answer session.
- Fabrication, falsification, plagiarism, or misrepresentation of authorship is strictly prohibited.
- The Organizing Committee reserves the right to investigate concerns regarding authorship or research integrity and may disqualify any project found to violate these principles.

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Registration Fee

A non-refundable registration fee of **THB 1,200 (approximately USD 40)** per registered person is required after the abstract has been accepted for presentation in the First Round.

The registration fee applies **individually** to every registered attendee, including:

- Student presenters
- Accompanying persons (teachers, parents, guardians, or other guests)

Example: A research project presented by **three student presenters** and accompanied by **three accompanying persons** requires registration for **six individuals**.

Registration Fee Includes

- Participation in the First Round Scientific Presentation.
- Individual feedback from the judging panel.
- For finalists: Participation in the Final Round Competition (5–6 December 2026).
- For non-finalists: Complimentary access to IMRC NextGen 2026 and IMRC 2026 activities, including observation of the Final Round Competition.
- Access to IMRC 2026 scientific sessions, student oral and poster presentations, and the Medical Innovation & Exhibition.
- Conference materials and an official Certificate of Participation.
- Refreshments (morning and afternoon coffee breaks) and lunch on both competition days.

Important Notes:

- Accommodation, transportation, visa expenses, airfare, travel insurance, and personal expenses are not included in the registration fee.
- Incomplete or late registrations will not be accepted.
- Registration will be confirmed only after payment has been completed.
- Registration fees are non-refundable.
- By submitting an abstract, all presenters confirm that the research complies with the principles of research integrity and that they have made a genuine contribution to the work presented.

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Abstract Submission

Following successful registration, each research project must submit an abstract through the IMRC NextGen Online Submission System by the specified deadline.

The abstract should provide a concise summary of the project, including:

- Background
- Objectives
- Methods
- Results (if applicable)
- Conclusions

All abstracts must be prepared in English according to the IMRC NextGen Abstract Guidelines.

Submitted research must represent work in which the student presenter(s) have made a genuine intellectual or practical contribution.

Abstract Review

All submitted abstracts will undergo blind review by a panel of academic and professional experts.

Abstracts will be evaluated using standardized criteria, including:

- **Scientific quality and rigor**
- **Originality and innovation**
- **Clarity of scientific presentation**
- **Relevance to medicine, health sciences, or medical innovation**

Authors of accepted abstracts will be invited to participate in the First Round Online Presentation.

To confirm participation, all registered presenters and accompanying persons must complete the registration fee payment by the specified deadline.

All submitted abstracts will be treated confidentially throughout the review process.

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First Round Presentation

Accepted projects will be invited to present their work in the **First Round Online Presentation**. Each presentation will be evaluated by an international panel of judges using standardized scoring criteria.

Projects that are not selected for the Final Round will receive an Official Certificate of Participation.

Outstanding projects, based on the judges' evaluation, will advance to the Final Round Competition.

Final Round Presentation

Selected finalist projects will be invited to present onsite during IMRC NextGen 2026, held as part of **the International Medical Student Research Conference (IMRC 2026) on 5–6 December 2026** at Phramongkutklao College of Medicine, Bangkok, Thailand.

Each finalist project will deliver an oral presentation followed by a live Question-and-Answer session with the judging panel.

All finalists will receive an Official Finalist Certificate.

Outstanding projects in each competition category will receive the Certificate of Excellence and competition awards during the IMRC 2026 Closing Ceremony.

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Awards, Certificates, and Presentation Evaluation

Awards

IMRC NextGen recognizes excellence in scientific research while promoting learning and continuous development for every participant.

Outstanding projects advancing to the **Final Round** will compete within their respective research tracks. Award recipients will be honored during the **IMRC 2026 Closing Ceremony**, alongside awardees from the **International Medical Student Research Conference (IMRC 2026)**. This shared recognition celebrates the achievements of young researchers within an international scientific community.

Competition Awards

The following awards will be presented in each research track.



Winner

Presented to the research project achieving the highest overall score in the Final Round of each track.

Prize: Trophy, Award Certificate, and THB 8,000



Second Place

Presented to the research project achieving the second-highest overall score in the Final Round of each track.

Prize: Trophy, Award Certificate, and THB 5,000



Third Place

Presented to the research project achieving the third-highest overall score in the Final Round of each track.

Prize: Trophy, Award Certificate, and THB 4,000

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Certificates

To recognize participation, achievement, and academic excellence, IMRC NextGen provides the following certificates.

Certificate of Attendance

Awarded to **all registered participants** attending IMRC NextGen 2026.

Certificate of Achievement

Every research project completing the **First Round Online Presentation** will receive a **Certificate of Achievement** according to its overall evaluation score.

Achievement Levels include:

-  Gold Level
-  Silver Level
-  Bronze Level

Achievement levels are determined using standardized evaluation criteria established by the Scientific Committee.

Final Round Certificate

Awarded to all research projects presenting in the Final Round.

Presentation Evaluation Report

Every participating research project will receive an Official Presentation Evaluation Report prepared by the judging panel.

The report includes:

- Overall achievement level (Gold, Silver, or Bronze)
- Scores for each evaluation criterion
- Constructive comments and recommendations from the judges

Evaluation reports will be available through the IMRC website after the completion of the evaluation process.

SCHEDULE

4th December 2026

Time	Main auditorium, 4th floor, Phramongkutklao Vejavidya Building
08:00 – 08:30	Registration
08:30 – 10:00	Opening Ceremony
10:00 – 10:30	Break
	Auditorium, Floor 1, Simulation Center
10:30 – 12:00	Final Round Presentation of Group A
12:00– 13:00	Lunch
13:00 – 15:00	Final Round Presentation of Group B
15:00 – 15:15	Break
15:15 – 17:15	Final Round Presentation of Group C
17:15 – 17:30	Reflection

SCHEDULE

5th December 2026

Time	Simulation Center Simulated operating room, Floor 3, Simulation Center
08.00 – 09.00	Registration
09:00 – 12.00	IMRC NextGen Exhibition
12.30 – 13:30	Lunch
Time	Main auditorium, 4th floor, Phramongkutklao Vejavidya Building
13:30 – 14:00	IMRC 2026 Final Round Research competition
14:00 – 15:00	Symposium II
15:00 – 16:00	Award Announcement and Closing Ceremony
16:00 – 17:00	Reflection

IMPORTANT DATES

- **15th JUL** Abstract Submission Opens
- **15th AUG** Abstract Submission Deadline
- **31st AUG** Acceptance Notification
- **15th SEP** Complete the Registration Fees Payment
to Confirm the Presentation
- **1st OCT** Presentation Schedule Released
- **10-11th NOV** Online First Round
- **15th NOV** Finalists Announced
- **30th NOV** Confirmation and Material Submission
Deadline for Presenter
- **5-6th DEC** IMRC NextGen 2026 Final Round

The schedule may be adjusted as necessary.

GENERAL RULES

Research Tracks and Competition Overview

IMRC NextGen is an international scientific research presentation competition for high school students held under the International Medical Student Research Conference (IMRC 2026). The competition aims to inspire young researchers to explore medicine, health sciences, and healthcare innovation through scientific inquiry, creativity, and evidence-based problem solving. Participants are invited to submit an original research project to one of the following research tracks (**Medical-related Science, Medical Innovation, and Artificial Intelligence in Medicine**), based on the primary focus of their work.

Medical-related Science Track

This track is intended for research that advances scientific knowledge related to medicine and health sciences. Projects should investigate biological, biomedical, clinical, or public health questions using scientific methods.

Examples of suitable topics include:

- Human biology
- Anatomy and physiology
- Pathology
- Microbiology
- Immunology
- Pharmacology
- Genetics and molecular biology
- Epidemiology
- Biomedical sciences
- Clinical or public health research

Typical projects include laboratory experiments, observational studies, clinical research, and other scientific investigations that generate new knowledge relevant to medicine and healthcare.

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Medical Innovation Track

This track focuses on the development of innovative products, devices, systems, or healthcare solutions that improve patient care, medical practice, public health, or medical education.

Projects should emphasize creativity, design thinking, practical implementation, and real-world impact.

Examples of suitable topics include:

- Medical devices
- Wearable technology
- Mobile health applications (non-AI)
- Digital health solutions (non-AI)
- Healthcare systems improvement
- Medical simulation
- Educational innovation
- Assistive technologies
- Prototype development

Projects in this track should primarily demonstrate innovation rather than basic scientific investigation.

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Artificial Intelligence in Medicine Track

This track is dedicated to research and innovation in which artificial intelligence (AI) serves as the principal methodology or core innovation for improving healthcare or advancing medical research.

Examples of suitable topics include:

- Machine learning
- Deep learning
- Natural language processing
- Computer vision
- Predictive analytics
- Clinical decision support
- Medical image analysis
- AI-assisted diagnosis
- Personalized medicine
- AI applications in public health

Projects should demonstrate the development, application, or evaluation of AI technologies in medicine or healthcare.

Projects in which artificial intelligence (AI) is the principal innovation or methodology should be submitted to the Artificial Intelligence in Medicine Track rather than the Medical Innovation Track.

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Research Tracks and Competition Overview

Choosing the Appropriate Track

- Participants should submit their project to **one research track only**, based on the project's primary objective and methodology.
- If a project involves multiple disciplines, it should be entered into the track that best reflects its main scientific contribution.
- The Organizing Committee and Scientific Committee reserve the right to reassign a project to a more appropriate track if necessary.

Quick Guide for Selecting the Appropriate Track

If your project mainly involves...	Submit to...
Laboratory experiments, biomedical or clinical research, epidemiology, or public health	 Medical-related Science Track
Development of a medical device, healthcare system, prototype, or non-AI digital health solution	 Medical Innovation Track
Artificial intelligence, machine learning, deep learning, computer vision, natural language processing, or AI-driven healthcare applications	 Artificial Intelligence in Medicine Track

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Eligible Criteria

- Applicants must meet all of the following eligibility requirements:
- Applicants must be **current high school students** (Grades 10–12 or international equivalent) at the time of registration.
- Each research project may have **one (1) to three (3) student presenters**.
- All listed presenters must have made **a substantial intellectual or practical contribution** to the research project and should be able to explain the study, methodology, results, and conclusions during both the presentation and question-and-answer session.
- All presenters and accompanying persons must complete the official registration process before the registration deadline.

Research Project Requirements

Projects submitted to IMRC NextGen must meet the following requirements:

- The project must represent the original work of the student presenter(s).
- Student presenters must have actively participated in the research or project development.
- Each project should be submitted to one research track that best reflects its primary objective and methodology.
- Projects should make a meaningful contribution to one of the following IMRC NextGen research tracks:
 -  Medical-related Science
 -  Medical Innovation
 -  Artificial Intelligence in Medicine
- Both experimental and non-experimental studies are welcome, including laboratory research, observational studies, public health research, systematic reviews, prototype development, engineering design, innovation projects, and other appropriate scientific investigations.
- Research involving human participants or animals must comply with applicable ethical principles and institutional or national regulations.

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Competition Regulations

All participants are expected to comply with the following competition regulations:

- All abstracts, presentation materials, and oral presentations must be prepared and delivered in **English**.
- Only registered presenter(s) may deliver the presentation and participate in the question-and-answer session.
- A maximum of **three (3) registered presenters** may present a single research project.
- Projects presented by more than three presenters will be **disqualified from the competition** and will not be eligible for awards.
- Participants must comply with all submission deadlines, presentation requirements, and instructions issued by the Organizing Committee.
- Late, incomplete, or non-compliant submissions may not be accepted.
- The decisions of the Scientific Committee and judging panels are **final**.

Research Integrity

IMRC NextGen is committed to promoting the highest standards of **research integrity, academic honesty, and ethical conduct**.

By submitting a research project, all presenters confirm that:

- the submitted work is original;
- they have made a substantial intellectual or practical contribution to the project;
- all data, results, and conclusions are honestly and accurately reported;
- all sources are appropriately acknowledged; and
- the project complies with applicable ethical standards and institutional regulations.

The following practices are strictly prohibited:

- Plagiarism
- Fabrication or falsification of data
- Misrepresentation of authorship or research contribution
- Any other form of academic misconduct

Any violation of these principles may result in **disqualification** at the discretion of the Organizing Committee.

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Abstract Submission Guidelines

Each **research project** must submit **one abstract** through the **IMRC NextGen Online Submission System** by the submission deadline.

The submitted abstract must represent the **original work** of the student presenter(s). All presenters must be current high school students (or international equivalent), and the research must have been conducted during their high school years.

Important Dates

Submission Deadline: 15 August 2026 (GMT+7)

Notification of Acceptance: 31 August 2026 (GMT+7)

No revisions or changes to the abstract will be accepted after the submission deadline.

Abstract Format Requirements

Title

- Research title

Authors

- Full names of all presenters
- School/Institution
- Country

Abstract Structure

The abstract should be organized using the following headings:

- **Background / Introduction**
- **Objective**
- **Methods**
- **Results**
- **Conclusion**
- **Keywords** (minimum 3 keywords)

Formatting Requirements

- **Maximum length:** 350 words
- **Language:** English only
- Any local terms or phrases must be accompanied by an English translation.

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Abstract Review Criteria

All submitted abstracts will undergo **blind peer review** by members of the IMRC NextGen Scientific Committee.

Each abstract will be evaluated according to standardized scientific criteria. Acceptance into IMRC NextGen does not constitute prior publication and does not affect future eligibility for journal publication.

Abstracts will be evaluated based on the following criteria:

Evaluation Criteria	Description
Scientific Quality	Scientific rigor, methodological appropriateness, and overall quality of the research.
Originality and Innovation	Novelty, creativity, and innovative aspects of the study or project.
Significance	Potential contribution and impact on medicine, healthcare, or medical education.
Clarity of Presentation	Organization, logical flow, and clarity of the written abstract.
Relevance to the Selected Research Track	Alignment with the objectives and scope of the selected IMRC NextGen research track.

Authors of accepted abstracts will be invited to participate in the **First Round Online Presentation**.

Outstanding projects selected during the First Round will advance to the **Final Round Competition**, held on 5–6 December 2026 at Phramongkutklao College of Medicine, Bangkok, Thailand.

Important Note

Each research project may submit one abstract only and must be entered into one research track. The Scientific Committee reserves the right to reassign a submission to a more appropriate track if necessary. Projects in which artificial intelligence (AI) is the principal innovation or methodology should be submitted to the Artificial Intelligence in Medicine Track rather than the Medical Innovation Track.

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First Round Online Presentation Guidelines

The **First Round** is conducted online to evaluate the scientific quality, originality, and presentation skills of each research project. This round also provides participants with constructive feedback to further improve their projects before the Final Round.

1. Presentation Materials

Presentation materials **do not need to be submitted before** the online presentation.

Participants may prepare their presentation using **Microsoft PowerPoint, Canva, Google Slides, Apple Keynote, or other presentation software.**

An official IMRC NextGen presentation template will be available on the website. The use of this template is **optional** and will **not** influence the evaluation.

2. Presentation Slides

The presentation should consist of **5–7 slides.**

Recommended slide contents include:

- Title of the Research Project
- Presenters and School/Institution
- Background / Introduction
- Objectives
- Methods
- Results
- Conclusions
- Keywords

All presentations must be delivered in **English.**

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First Round Online Presentation Guidelines

3. Online Presentation

Presentations will be conducted via the online platform designated by the Organizing Committee.

Participants are required to:

- Join the session **15 minutes** before the scheduled presentation.
- Attend the mandatory online orientation and technical check (details will be announced via email).
- Ensure a stable internet connection and functioning audio/video equipment.

Each research project will be allocated:

- **5 minutes** for presentation
- **3–5 minutes** for questions and answers

Only registered presenters may deliver the presentation and participate in the discussion.

Presentations should accurately represent the submitted abstract and demonstrate a clear understanding of the research project.

4. Evaluation

Projects will be evaluated based on the following criteria:

- Scientific Quality
- Originality and Innovation
- Clarity and Organization
- Presentation Skills
- Understanding of the Research
- Response to Questions

Following the First Round, every project will receive:

- An **Official Presentation Evaluation Report**
- Judges' comments and recommendations
- **A Certificate of Achievement (Gold, Silver, or Bronze)**

Outstanding projects selected by the Scientific Committee will be invited to participate in the **Final Round**.

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Final Round Presentation Guidelines

The **Final Round** is designed to evaluate not only the scientific quality of the research project but also the participants' ability to communicate, discuss, and defend their work before an international judging panel.

Finalists are encouraged to improve their presentations based on the feedback received during the First Round.

1. Presentation Materials

Presentation slides may be prepared using **Microsoft PowerPoint, Canva, Google Slides, Apple Keynote, or other presentation software.**

To ensure compatibility with the conference presentation system, all presenters are required to upload their presentation file at the **Speaker Ready Desk at least 60 minutes before** their scheduled presentation time. The presentation file uploaded at the Speaker Ready Desk will be considered the official version used during the competition.

Participants are **strongly encouraged** to upload their presentation as early as possible. Early upload allows the Organizing Committee to verify file compatibility and presentation quality, ensuring that the correct file is available for the session.

Presentation files must be provided in one of the following formats:

- Microsoft PowerPoint (.pptx)
- PDF (.pdf)

Participants may replace or update their presentation file **up to 60 minutes before** their scheduled presentation. After this deadline, **no further changes or file replacements will be accepted.**

An official IMRC NextGen presentation template will be available on the website. The use of this template is **optional** and will **not** influence the evaluation.

There is **no restriction on the number** of slides for the Final Round.

All presentations must be delivered in **English.**

2. Session Assignment

Presentation schedules and room assignments will be sent to the registered email address.

Presenters should report to the presentation room 30 minutes before their scheduled session.

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3. Onsite Presentation

Venue:

Simulation Center, Phramongkutklao College of Medicine, Bangkok, Thailand

Each research project will be allocated:

- **7 minutes** for oral presentation
- **3 minutes** for questions and discussion

Only registered presenters may deliver the presentation and respond to questions.

Presentations should clearly demonstrate:

- Scientific quality
- Understanding of the research
- Critical thinking
- Ability to explain and defend the project
- Effective scientific communication

4. Evaluation

The Final Round evaluation focuses on both the scientific merit of the project and the presenters' ability to communicate and defend their research.

Projects will be evaluated based on:

- Scientific Quality
- Originality and Innovation
- Scientific Significance
- Clarity and Organization
- Presentation Skills
- Critical Thinking
- Response to Questions

The Winner, Second Place, and Third Place in each research track will receive an Award Certificate, Trophy, and prize money during the **IMRC 2026 Closing Ceremony**.

MEDICAL EXHIBITION

Medical Exhibition and Simulation Experience

All **registered participants and accompanying persons** are welcome to attend the **Medical Exhibition and Simulation Experience**, held at the **Simulation Center**, Phramongkutklao College of Medicine, during IMRC NextGen 2026.

This exhibition provides participants with the opportunity to explore modern medical technologies and experience interactive, hands-on learning in a realistic clinical simulation environment.

Event Date:

6 December 2026

Exhibition Highlights

Participants will have the opportunity to:

- Experience advanced medical simulation facilities at the **Simulation Center**.
- Participate in interactive clinical skill stations supervised by healthcare professionals and medical students.
- Explore innovative medical technologies, simulation equipment, and educational resources.
- Develop practical clinical skills through immersive, hands-on activities.
- Interact with faculty members, medical students, and healthcare professionals in an engaging learning environment.

Participation in the Medical Exhibition is included in the registration fee and is open to **all registered participants and accompanying persons**.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQ)

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)

General Information

Who is eligible to participate in IMRC NextGen?

IMRC NextGen is open to current high school students (Grades 10–12 or international equivalent). The research project must have been conducted during the participants' high school years.

How many presenters are allowed for one research project?

Each research project may have one (1) to three (3) student presenters.

May students from different schools participate in the same project?

Yes. Collaborative projects involving students from different schools or institutions are welcome, provided that all presenters have made a substantial contribution to the research.

May teachers or parents present on behalf of the students?

No. Only the registered student presenter(s) are permitted to deliver the presentation and answer questions from the judges.

Research Projects

How do I choose the appropriate research track?

Each project should be submitted to one research track that best reflects its primary objective and methodology.

My project combines Medical Innovation and Artificial Intelligence. Which track should I choose?

Projects in which artificial intelligence (AI) is the principal innovation or methodology should be submitted to the Artificial Intelligence in Medicine Track rather than the Medical Innovation Track.

Can literature reviews or systematic reviews be submitted?

Yes. Literature reviews, systematic reviews, prototype development, innovation projects, and other non-experimental studies are welcome, provided they meet the objectives of the selected research track.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQ)

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)

Abstract Submission

May I revise my abstract?

Yes, you may edit your abstract at any time before you confirm your submission in the system. Once your abstract has been confirmed, no further revisions or modifications will be permitted. Please ensure that all information is accurate and complete before confirming your submission.

Will my abstract remain confidential?

Yes. All submitted abstracts are treated confidentially throughout the review process. Accepted abstracts will not be publicly released before the conference.

Presentation

Do I have to use the official presentation template?

No. The official template is optional and will not influence the evaluation.

May I prepare my presentation using Canva or Google Slides?

Yes. Participants may prepare their presentation using Microsoft PowerPoint, Canva, Google Slides, Apple Keynote, or other presentation software.

For the Final Round, presentation files must be uploaded in PowerPoint (.pptx) or PDF (.pdf) format.

What happens if I experience technical problems during the online presentation?

Participants should immediately notify the session moderator or technical support team. The Organizing Committee will make reasonable efforts to resolve technical issues whenever possible.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQ)

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Awards and Evaluation

How are Gold, Silver, and Bronze Levels determined?

Achievement Levels are awarded based on the overall evaluation score using standardized criteria established by the Scientific Committee.

Will every participant receive feedback?

Yes. Every research project will receive an Official Presentation Evaluation Report prepared by the judging panel, together with its Achievement Level.

Can a project receive both a Gold Level Certificate and a competition award?

Yes. Projects selected for the Final Round may receive a Certificate of Achievement (Gold, Silver, or Bronze) based on the First Round evaluation, and may also receive competition awards if they place among the top projects in the Final Round.

Registration and Attendance

Can accompanying persons attend IMRC NextGen?

Yes. Registered accompanying persons (e.g., teachers, parents, or guardians) are welcome to attend the conference and Medical Exhibition, subject to the registration policy.

What is included in the registration fee?

The registration fee includes:

- Participation in the First Round Presentation
- Individual feedback and an Official Presentation Evaluation Report
- Certificate of Attendance
- Certificate of Achievement (Gold, Silver, or Bronze)
- For finalists: participation in the Final Round
- Access to IMRC NextGen activities
- Admission to the IMRC scientific sessions
- Admission to the Medical Exhibition and Simulation Experience
- Morning and afternoon refreshments and lunch during the conference (for onsite participants)

IMPORTANT DATES

- 15th JUL Abstract Submission Opens
- 15th AUG Abstract Submission Deadline
- 31st AUG Acceptance Notification
- 15th SEP Complete the Registration Fees Payment to Confirm the Presentation
- 1st OCT Presentation Schedule Released
- 10th-11th OCT IMRC NextGen 2026 Online First Round
- 15th NOV Finalists Announced
- 30th NOV Confirmation Deadline for Presenter
- 5-6th DEC IMRC NextGen 2026 Onsite Final Round

The schedule may be adjusted as necessary.

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