

## **AWSAR Awardees (Ph.D. category)**

Ms. Shruti Soni, from Dr. Bhushan Toley's group, has been awarded the DST-AWSAR award (third prize) in the Ph.D. category for writing a popular science story on her Ph.D. research work (Non-invasive, low-cost paper-based glucose detection using saliva as the sample). DST organizes AWSAR (Augmenting Writing Skills for Articulating Research) program to popularize and unleash the spirit of science communication among young scientists. Her popular science story titled "Pain-free way to manage your sugar rush" addresses an essential aspect of diabetes management that presently includes invasive and painful methods of monitoring blood sugar levels. The story suggests a more user-friendly diagnostic bodily fluid that can be collected in a non-invasive and pain-free manner and can be used to monitor glucose levels.

<https://awsar-dst.in/results-2020>

