YOUNG INVESTIGATOR AWARD 2021

Call for Applications

General Information

The Young Investigator Award is an initiative of the Faculty of Life Sciences to honour young postdoctoral scientists publishing in the top journals of their field. The award has a value of 7,000 €. Up to two awards will be granted in 2021. Award recipients will be selected according to their publication output. At least one publication should be published under the affiliation of the Faculty of Life Sciences. They are expected to use the grant, formally disbursed to the account of their department, to conduct research and/or support their participation at international meetings.

Eligibility

All Junior Scientists working at the Faculty of Life Sciences who are employed by the University of Vienna at the time of application (also via third-party funds) and who have received their Ph.D. within the last 8 years (parental leaves up to 3 years per child can be added) are eligible for this award. Former awardees are not eligible.

Mode of Application

Candidates should apply by submitting (i) a short CV (2 pages maximum) and (ii) their publication list. All peer-reviewed publications, even those that do not list the University of Vienna as affiliation can be included. For each publication the corresponding author should be underlined, the impact factor of the journal of the respective publication year (or the last available impact factor) should be given and it should be indicated whether the journal belongs to the top 25% of journals (first quartile, ranked according to their impact factor) in the respective subject category ISI Journal Citation Reports subject category. If a journal is listed in more than one ISI subject category, the applicant can choose the category. For each publication the selected subject category should be indicated.

Applications should be submitted as one PDF file to dekanat.lewi@univie.ac.at until March 1, 2021.

Selection The awardees will be selected based on their top 25% publications. First and/or corresponding authorships will be taken into account. Publications in high impact journals like Nature, Science and PNAS will receive special consideration. If this procedure leads to equal scores of some applicants, then publications outside the top 25% range and third-party research funding will be considered as well.

The Dean's team will select the awardees after consulting members of the faculty, if necessary.