

ERS Mid-Career Gold Medal Guidance 2021

ERS Mid-Career Gold Medal programme aims to honour researchers with an excellent track record in the specific fields of the awards and the potential for further outstanding developments. ERS Mid-Career Gold Medal sponsored by pharmaceutical companies offer research grants of 50'000€.

Application

- Candidates may be nominated or may apply through the membership of the society.
- A completed ERS Mid-Career Gold Medal application form must be submitted by the applicant.
- Gender, geographical and ethnical diversity should come into consideration while nominating a candidate. Applications for researchers having undertaken a career break (e.g. parental leave, period working outside research, unemployment etc.) are actively encouraged.

Selection procedure

- Applications will be evaluated through a peer-review process based primarily on the quality of the proposed research project and on the potential for future contribution to the respective scientific fields of the ERS Mid-Career Gold Medals. Candidates must put forward a research project that must be of high scientific interest for the respiratory field.
- Applications will be submitted through a peer-review process by the College of Expert members to establish a list of awardable candidates.
- The Fellowships & Awards Working Group members will assess the best suited candidate by considering gender, geographical and ethnical diversity among the portfolio of scientific awards.
- The final selection will be presented to the members of the Science Council (Spring 2021) for approval, then submitted to the Executive Committee for final endorsement.

Eligibility criteria

- Active ERS Membership.
- The award is exclusively reserved to active researchers.
- The research project put forward for funding should not have been previously sponsored by pharmaceutical industry. *
- Aged 50 years old or below (taking into consideration work hiatus, e.g. parental leave).
- Must not have received any other ERS award or grant in the last three years.
- Must not be a previous ERS Gold Medal or Main Award awardee.
- Members of the ERS Science Council, Executive Committee and Fellowships and Awards Working Group members are not eligible for the ERS Mid-Career Gold Medal.
- Mandatory attendance at the ERS International Congress.

Awardee recognition & benefits

- Research grant award of 50'000€*
- Visit the sponsoring company of the award (travel and accommodation covered by ERS)*
- Ceremony taking place during the Assembly Members' Meeting or scientific session during ERS congress
- ERS Mid-Career Gold Medal Certificate
- Awardee promotion through ERS channels before and during ERS International Congress in Barcelona 2021
- Free registration to the ERS International Congress 2021, Barcelona

**only for sponsored ERS Mid-Career Gold Medal*

Deliverables (for sponsored ERS Mid-Career Gold Medals only)

Awardees are required to provide ERS with a report regarding the evolution of their research and how the funds were used to support their project within one year of the ERS International Congress. This report will be shared with the sponsoring company.