



SNG Prizes Procedures

Timing for 2024:

- March 15th open submission
 - July 12th deadline for application
 - November: Announcement of the fellowships
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1) Application and Evaluation Process

**2x SNG Prize (5000 CHF each) for
a scientific work in clinical research
and in applied basic / translational science research
in the field of Neuroscience**

If there are <3 projects/category, the projects will be evaluated all in one category.

IMK will pre-check if category chosen by applicants is correct.

- Criteria: The contribution of the applicant should be explicitly stated in the cover letter
 - The paper needs to be accepted or published within 18 months before the submission deadline
 - If rejected, applicants can re-apply with a different paper
 - Applicants needs to be first (co-first) author or last (co-last) author
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2) Formal Criteria:

- A former prize winner will not be awarded again (but application for prize and grant are possible by the same person).
- For the SNG prizes, criteria are (1-9; 1= poor, 9 = excellent): question, methods, statistical analysis, quality of discussion, quality of conclusions. The applicant needs to be either first/co-first author or last/co-last author on the publication proposed.

3) Procedure for the prizes:

- Grants are checked for formal criteria (IMK) – grants need to be in English.
- Grants are sent for review (all reviewers) according to evaluation criteria above. The sum of all points will determine the ranking. Comments are possible but not mandatory.

4) COI for Reviewers and SC members who rate the proposals:

- Currently at same institution
- Current joint research projects and/or publications should be declared (no strict exclusion criterion, unless first/last co-authorships)
- Previous joint publications are no exclusion criterion, but must be declared (no strict exclusion criterion)
- Any other (personal) COI must be declared



Gender und Diversity: no quota; but diversity will be considered.

5) Reporting Procedure

- In January following the year of completion of the project, IMK (cc scientific committee) sends out an Email to applicants asking for (until February 15th):
1 page reporting about the project including answers to the questions (a) summary of what was achieved b) results (publications other results of the project mentioning the SNG funding) c) were matching funds received? d) did any aspects need to be changed/ did go other than planned? This report needs to be signed by the applicant and the head of the institution.

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