

NRS Swierenga Thesis Award 2026

Call for proposals



The NRS Swierenga Thesis Award aims to promote and acknowledge outstanding scientific research that contributes to the understanding or treatment of lung diseases in their broadest sense. This award is made possible through the support of the Professor dr. Jaap Swierenga Foundation, which collaborates with the NRS to draw attention towards high-quality research in this field.

The Award:

The recipient of this award will be the candidate whose thesis has been selected as the best in respiratory science, reflecting exceptional contributions to the field. The deserving awardee will be presented with a certificate of recognition along with a prize amounting to € 4500,-.

Eligibility Criteria:

To be considered for this award, candidates must have successfully defended their PhD on a respiratory topic at a Dutch University between September 1, 2025, and September 1, 2026. Each professor can nominate one or more candidates per submission round. To do so, kindly submit a letter of recommendation addressed to the chairman of the committee of judgment, accompanied by a digital copy of the nominated thesis to nrs@nrs-science.nl. Additionally, please provide us with the nominee's email address to facilitate communication regarding the decision. All documents must be submitted to the NRS secretariat no later than 21 September 2026.

Award Ceremony:

The awardee will be presented with the honor during the award ceremony, taking place in the late afternoon of the NRS Young Investigator Symposium, 27 November 2026. ***We kindly request all nominees to save the date and be present to receive the award in person.*** We sincerely encourage you to participate actively in this call for proposals and help us recognize exceptional contributions in the realm of respiratory science. Your support in nominating deserving candidates will contribute significantly to fostering advancements in this vital field.

For any inquiries or further information, please do not hesitate to contact the NRS secretariat nrs@nrs-science.nl

