

Regulations NRS Chiesi Young Investigator Award

The NRS wishes to provide a yearly prize for a young investigator in order to stimulate research in the area of respiratory diseases. The prize, which has been designated as the "NRS Young Investigator Award" has been made possible by **Chiesi Pharmaceuticals B.V.**In order to award this prize to the most deserving candidate, the NRS organizes a yearly competition. Contestants for this award need to fulfill a number of requirements. These include, amongst others, that the researcher in question has submitted an abstract to the Longdagen meeting, is younger than 35 years at the time of the Longdagen meeting, is a member of the NRS and is willing to give a lecture during this meeting. The NRS Young Investigator Board judges the submissions and ascertains the best abstracts.

Competition

Each year, well in advance of the competition, the Board notifies all members by email or in writing, of the upcoming competition. The prize is awarded every year, unless there are no contestants or the jury decides based on the submissions, that the prize should not be awarded.

Contestants and submissions

The contestants are under the age of 36 in the year the prize is awarded, are members of the NRS when the prize is awarded (during Longdagen meeting) and compete by submission of one or more abstract(s) of which they are the first author.

The YI Board announces, generally at the same time of the announcement of the meeting, that the competition for the "NRS Chiesi Young Investigators Award" is opened. This will be announced on the NRS website (www.nrs-science.nl)

Jury and criteria

Each year, the NRS Young Investigator Board judges the submissions and ascertains the best abstracts.

The most important criteria for ranking are that the abstract makes an original contribution to respiratory research and that the research is of high quality. The jury may institute additional criteria if necessary.

The jury meets at least once (this can be a telephone conference). Members of the jury who are unable to attend may submit their opinion to the chairman, but the jury will make a decision based on the opinion of the members present at the meeting. The jury judges the abstracts and ascertains the best and winning entry. The jury announces its opinion to the NRS Board by email well in advance of the Longdagen meeting. The chairman explains the decision of the jury to the Board in writing. Subsequently the NRS Board informs the prize winner and invites him or her to give a lecture at the Longdagen meeting.

Ceremony

The NRS Board announces the winner of the "NRS Chiesi Young Investigator Award" during the Longdagen meeting, as a rule together with explanation of the decision as formulated by the chairman of the jury. The NRS Board informs the sponsor about the result of the competition. During the Longdagen meeting of the NRS the prize of € 5000.-- is presented to the awardee.

Conditions

There are two conditions linked to the receipt of the "NRS Chiesi Young Investigator Award":

- The awardee of the "NRS Chiesi Young Investigator Award" must give a short lecture about her or his research during the YIS a year and a half later.
- The awardee of the "NRS Chiesi Young Investigator Award" will spend the prize money on scientific research and/or supplementary education and will report how the prize money has been allocated to the NRS Board by email, preferably within 1 year after receiving the award.

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