

ABCD & Merial Young Scientist Award 2010

Rules

Thank you for your interest in the 2010 ABCD (Advisory Board on Cat Diseases) & Merial Young Scientist Award, which aims to reward innovative and outstanding work by promising young professionals in the field of feline infectious diseases and/or immunology.

The award (1000 euros) will be presented at the congress of the European Society of Feline Medicine (ESFM), to be held from 18 to 20 June 2010 in Amsterdam. The registration fees, economy travel costs and accommodation for the recipient to attend this congress will be covered by Merial. All reservations will be made by Merial in agreement with the laureate.

Documents to be submitted (before 1 February 2010)

The laureate will be chosen on the basis of one or more paper(s) and/or a dissertation.

Applications should be made in English, in an electronic format, and include:

1. a short abstract (max. 500 words) of the work the applicant wishes to submit;
2. a short *curriculum vitae* including a list of published articles and two personal references (thesis supervisors or co-authors are permitted);
3. abstracts of all other relevant publications and/or dissertation on the topic (if any);
4. the completed form on page 2 of this document.

Papers should have been published, or accepted for publication, preferably in peer-reviewed journals (listed in PubMed, Web of Science or Web of Knowledge).

The laureate

Candidates should be graduates of studies in veterinary medicine or other life sciences.

Applications from the ABCD members' clinics or institutes are permitted.

Candidates should be 35 years of age or younger.

Candidates should be based in an EU or EFTA country and should be able to present their results as a short presentation in English.

Laureates are expected to give a short presentation of their work at the ESFM congress in Amsterdam (18-20 June 2010).

Pre-selection

The entire ABCD board and one representative of Merial will serve as the pre-selection committee that will draft a shortlist of contenders.

The jury

The Jury is exclusively made up of ABCD members including the ABCD Chairman, who will evaluate selected candidates from the shortlist.

The entire deliberations of the jury will remain strictly confidential.

Candidates will be informed of the jury's decision by the end of February 2010 at the latest.

The jury's decision is final and needs not be motivated. The decision is without recourse.

The sponsor

Merial will fund the award and cover the registration fees, travel costs and accommodation for the recipient to attend the 2010 ESFM Congress.

Intellectual Property Rights

The laureate authorises Merial and the ABCD to use and to communicate by all means and without limitation of any kind, on the laureate's submitted work.

The laureate guarantees Merial and ABCD that by using the submitted work, they will not infringe on any rights already pledged to a third party.

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Application form

I, the undersigned,

First name:	Surname:
Date of birth:	
Qualifications:	
Full address:	
Email address:	
Daytime phone number:	
Topic of work for submission:	
Why I think this work is important:	

hereby wish to contend for the ABCD Merial Young Scientist Award.

I have read this document, and accept the rules outlined on Page 1 (*ABCD & Merial Young Scientist Award 2010: Rules*)

Signature:

Date:

Please send to Karin de Lange, ABCD secretary, by 1 February 2010.

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