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Calling young researchers in IBD: Applications open for the ECCO Young Researcher Award

Dear ECCO Friends,

For the first time ever SciCom is launching a call for young researchers in the field of Inflammatory Bowel Diseases (IBD).

The ECCO Young Researcher Award 2023 aims to recognise and promote young researchers, who have demonstrated excellence in IBD-related research fields.

The award is open for the target audience of the following two categories:

- Basic science
- Clinical/translational science

Two ECCO Young Researcher Awards may be given in 2023: one for basic research and one for clinical/translational research. In order to be eligible, the applicant must:

1. Not be older than 40 years at the time of application.
2. The applicant needs to be an ECCO Member at the time of application.
3. ECCO Young Researcher applicants must reside in an ECCO Member Country at the time of the application.
4. The applicant must have at least one paper published as first or last author in a journal with an impact factor above 10, or three papers published in a journal with an impact above factor 8.
5. The applicant's research work must be related to the field of IBD.
6. Successful candidates cannot reapply again.

Terms of submission

A total amount of EUR 5,000 will be awarded per ECCO Young Researcher Award.

- Submit your application by **August 1** via email to the ECCO Office at ecco@ecco-ibd.eu including the following documents:
 - CV of the applicant (max. 2 pages, including awards and grants, please refer to "Review process")
 - One-page document listing major contributions to the field of IBD
 - A list of top 10 publications
 - A full list of publications
- Applicants will be notified of the outcome in October 2022



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- Payment will be made after acceptance of the Award and signing of the ECCO Young Researcher Award form prior to December 31.
- Successful applicants are expected to participate in the 2023 Congress of the European Crohn's and Colitis Organisation, where they will be formally presented with the ECCO Young Researcher Award in public.
- Successful applicants will be asked to submit an abstract as per the annual ECCO Congress abstract submission deadline. The topic of the presentation can be freely chosen and will be granted an oral presentation: either as a digital oral presentation or oral presentation as part of the Scientific Programme.

Review Process

1. All projects will be reviewed and scored by the members of the ECCO Scientific Committee based on the following criteria:
 - Publication quality and quantity, particularly leading authorship
 - Relatedness of the work to IBD and the impact on the field of IBD research
 - Prizes /Awards
 - Grants related to IBD
2. The ECCO Scientific Committee and ECCO Governing Board will make a joint selection.

Scoring System

The following procedure for the scoring system for ECCO Young Researcher Awards:

1. *Review by SciCom:* Each ECCO Young Researcher Award application will be reviewed by members of the ECCO Scientific Committee. They will score their assigned applications according to the 4 evaluation criteria above.
2. *Ranking:* Applications will be ranked according to their overall average scores.
3. *Final selection:* By SciCom and approved by the ECCO Governing Board.
4. *Acceptance/rejection letters:* Applicants will be informed of the outcome of their application by e-mail.

Kind regards on behalf of the Scientific Committee of ECCO,

Sebastian Zeissig (Chair)
Marc Ferrante
Yves Panis
Konstantinos Papamichail
Isabelle Cleynen