

UEG Research Prize 2021

Every year, UEG awards € 100,000 for excellence in basic science, translational or clinical research in the areas of gastroenterology, hepatology and related disciplines.

1. Extent of the support

The winner of the UEG Research Prize 2021

- receives the prize money of € 100,000, designated to support a future scientific research project from early stage to successful conclusion. The prize money is paid to the winner's department.
- will officially be awarded during UEG Week 2021 and will briefly present the winning project at an specific session.
- will be announced and introduced in the UEG Week 2021 online programme, at the UEG website and in post-congress reports.

2. Application criteria

- The target group are active, well-established senior researchers at the height of their active career, whose science has had or will have crucial impact on digestive health.
- Applicants should be leading a substantial research group and their work should be conducted predominantly in Europe.
- The work should have been supported by substantial peer reviewed grants through internationally recognised research councils, research charities or industrial partners.
- Applicants must have been mentioned at least once as (co-)author of an abstract submitted to UEG Week - or have been awarded as Rising Stars - in the past 3 years (2018, 2019, and/or 2020).
- Applicants must commit to deliver the agreed research within the stipulated time frame.
- Applications from departments that received a Research Prize in the previous 5 years (2016-2020) will not be accepted.
- The prize will be awarded to the same recipient only once.

3. Application process

Candidates must submit the completed application form together with their online application. **Application deadline is April 30, 2021.**

4. Selection process

- All applicants will be reviewed by the UEG Research Committee.
- Main selection criteria are:
 1. Scientific merit (50%): Based on the track record (grants, projects, prizes) and standard of the best 10 publications as first or last author from the researcher over the last 10 years period.
 2. Research proposal (50%): Research plan, activity, aims, significance (impact) for digestive health.
- The criteria have no absolute delimitations and no legal weight.
- All applicants will be informed about the status of their application by the end of June 2021.
- Unsuccessful candidates may re-apply.

5. Obligations towards UEG

The recipient of the UEG Research Prize will be required to submit scientific and financial reports on the work supported by the prize money (4 years max. after the prize's reception)

Furthermore, UEG expects the UEG Research Prize winner to

- submit a review article to UEG Journal by end of October 2021.
- accept potential UEG Week Faculty invitations in subsequent years.