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WFSBP Award Guidelines

Excellence in Education Award

The WFSBP Excellence in Education Award in Biological psychiatry is intended for senior research scientists (MD, PhD or equivalent), whose lifework has significantly influenced education in biological psychiatry.

Award Prize:

- Waived registration fee to the award year's Congress
- Monetary prize of \$1,000

Eligibility:

- Individual and/or nominator must be current WFSBP members
- To be eligible, the individual must have made a significant contribution to education in biological psychiatry
- Nominations of members from underrepresented groups are highly encouraged
- Previous winners of the award, Award Committee members, and Officers of the Society are not eligible

Application/Submission Instructions:

- A personal statement of the nominator indicating the contributions of the member to education in biological psychiatry
- A letter of recommendation from a member of WFSBP that is no more than two pages in length describing the nominee's contributions to education in biological psychiatry
- The Curriculum Vitae of the candidate

The deadline to submit is 4 December 2024.

Lifetime Achievement Award

The WFSBP Lifetime Achievement Award in Biological psychiatry is intended for senior research scientists (MD, PhD or equivalent), whose lifework has significantly influenced the field of biological psychiatry.

Award Prize:

- Waived registration fee to the award year's Congress
- It consists of a monetary award of \$1,000

Eligibility:

- Individual and nominator (if one) must be current members of WFSBP
- The nominee must have an established history in biological psychiatry research, have exhibited leadership, provided mentoring to young investigators, and positively impacted the field of biological psychiatry research

- Nominations of members from underrepresented groups are highly encouraged
- Previous winners of the award, Award Committee members and Officers of the Society are not eligible

Application Submission Instructions:

- The nomination or self-nomination should include:
 - Up to three (3) letters of recommendation that are each no more than two pages in length
 - The letters should describe a justification for why the nominee should receive the award and describe their overarching contributions to the field
 - The curriculum vitae of the candidate

The deadline to submit is 4 December 2024.

Research Prize Award

WFSBP will recognize researcher who has made exceptional contributions to the research in the field of biological psychiatry.

Award for Research Prize includes:

- Waived registration fee to the award year's Congress
- Monetary prize of \$1,000

Eligibility:

- Individual and/or nominator must be current WFSBP members
- To be eligible, the individual must have made a significant contribution to biological psychiatry research
- Nominations of members from underrepresented groups are highly encouraged
- Previous winners of the award, Award Committee members, and Officers of the Society are not eligible

Application Submission Instructions:

- Letter of recommendation from a WFSBP member that is no more than two pages in length
- The letter or personal statement that describes the nominee's contributions to the field and anticipated trajectory
- The curriculum vitae of the candidate

The deadline to submit is 4 December 2024.

Young Investigator Award

The training of a new generation of psychiatric academicians is a major objective of WFSBP's participation in professional meetings, where new information is exchanged and contacts are made, can have a critical impact on the career of a developing basic and clinician-scientists. In recognition of the importance of academic exchange, WFSBP annually selects emerging young scholars from across the globe. The Young Investigator Award recognizes excellence in scholarly activity by junior researchers by providing the opportunity to attend the 17th World Congress in Berlin, Germany.

Young Investigator Award includes:

- a \$500 Travel Award will be offered to five (5) European Young Investigators
- a \$750 Travel Award will be offered to ten (10) non-European Young Investigators
- Waived registration fee to the award year's Congress

Eligibility:

- Psychiatrists, psychologists, and basic researchers under the age of 40 by the deadline of submission
- All applicants **MUST** submit a poster.

Application/Submission Instructions:

- The selection is competitive, and to be considered for the grant, you must submit the following documents:
- A letter from the candidate applying for the award with a summary of career goals and interest in biological psychiatry.
- A letter from a mentor or the president of the national WFSBP affiliate Society outlining the candidate's achievements and how the award will support candidate's career in biological psychiatry.
- A Curriculum Vitae.

More About the Award:

- Priority will be given to candidates:
 - with demonstrated interest in biological psychiatry
 - history of interest in research and some track record of publications
 - from developing countries
- There will be 2 or 3 education sessions each day.

The deadline to submit is 10 January 2025.