

Prize regulations for the Pfizer Research Prize

Prize Money

The annual award of the Pfizer Research Prize aims to promote research in the following fields:

- Cardiovascular medicine, urology, and nephrology
- Infectious diseases, rheumatology, and immunology
- Neuroscience and Neurology
- Oncology
- Paediatrics

The prize money for each field is 30,000 Swiss francs (a total of 150,000 Swiss francs). In each field, one research project in pure research and one in clinical research can be awarded the prize. The prize money for each award is 15,000 Swiss francs.

Eligibility

Scientists or scientific teams, who are **no older than 45 on 31 January 2024**, are eligible (see note on registration form). A maximum of three prize winners per research project can receive the award. One of the prize winners must always be the first author. In addition, authors who have made an equal contribution to the first author must be nominated as prize winners so long as the age criterion is fulfilled.

The Pfizer Research Prize Foundation is part of Pfizer Inc., a multinational company headquartered in the United States and it must comply with all applicable controls and laws.

Research projects

Projects in pure research and in clinical research can be submitted in the fields listed above. **The projects must be published or have been accepted for publication within one year** and have been **conducted predominantly in Switzerland**. Publication is taken to mean an article in a journal that is peer-reviewed. These must be assessed as outstanding in relation to their innovative character or clinical relevance. The research projects must comply with the highest ethical, legal, and scientific standards. A research group is only permitted to submit one project on the same area when identical methodology is used.

Jury

The Foundation board awards the prizes **based on applications from the scientific committees** who independently assess the projects. It can forgo awarding the prizes if the scientific committee for the corresponding field does not deem any of the projects that have been submitted to be worthy of the prize or the number of qualitatively good projects is too low. This decision made by the Foundation board cannot be appealed against.

Documents and submission deadline

Please submit the following documents in full for your application for the Pfizer Research Prize:

- Research project (supplemental research data that are published on the Internet must be submitted with the application)
- A summary of no more than half an A4 page that outlines the importance of the research results against the background of current knowledge in this specialist field
- Application form that has been signed by all authors
- CVs for all the authors who are applying to be prize winners

The documents must be submitted to the Pfizer Research Prize Foundation (pfizerforschungspreis.ch@pfizer.com) by 15 May 2023.

Award ceremony

The research projects that have been awarded the prize will be presented at the award ceremony on Thursday, 25 January 2024.

Zurich, March 2023