

## **REGULATION FOR THE ATTRIBUTION OF SCIENTIFIC AWARDS IN THE “ORGANOIDS WITHOUT BORDERS” MEETING**

### **Article 1:**

#### **Purpose**

1. The present regulation defines the terms for the attribution of a **Prize for Best oral communication in the form of “Short-Talk”** and for the attribution of three **Honourable Mentions** for abstracts submitted to the **Organoids Without Borders** online meeting on the 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2020.
2. The Prize for Best Short-Talk and the Honourable Mentions are meant to support research and should be considered as scientific in nature, both in the process of candidate selection and in the process of attribution.
3. The aim is to foster the interest of young researchers in the field of stem cells and organoids, with the objective of further advancing this research area.
4. The abstracts selected for oral communication will be eligible for the Prize for Best Short-Talk. The remaining abstracts will be eligible for the Honourable Mentions.

### **Article 2:**

#### **Awards**

1. The Prize for Best Short-Talk has a monetary value of 150 (one hundred and fifty) euros and each Honourable Mention has a monetary value of 50 (fifty) euros. Both will be attributed by the **Organizing Committee** of the Organoids Without Borders meeting.
2. The awards are **sponsored** by the **Young Scientist Forum (YSF) of the European Society for Biomaterials (ESB)**.
3. The awards will be paid by IPATIMUP/i3S, the entity that provides the organizational support of Organoids without Borders.
4. The monetary value of each award is not divisible or exchangeable and is attributed to the first author of the submitted abstract selected by the Jury.

### **Article 3:**

#### **Eligibility**

1. Authors applying for the awards must meet the following criteria:
  - a) Be the first author of a submitted abstract related to an unpublished or recently published (2019/2020) work;
  - b) Meet one of the following conditions: being enrolled in a doctoral program or being within the first 3 years of a doctoral degree (proof of enrollment or proof of PhD title will be requested);
  - c) Indicate in the registration form the interest to apply;
  - d) Submit an abstract complying with the Abstract Guidelines and within the established deadlines;
  - e) In the case of the Prize for Best Short-Talk, be selected for oral communication by the Organizing Committee.

#### **Article 4:**

##### **Jury**

1. The Organizing Committee will be the Jury of the awards. The Short-Talks in each session will be evaluated regarding the scientific quality of the oral communication and the ensuing discussion for attribution of the Prize for Best Short-Talk. Every submitted abstract not selected for oral communication will be evaluated regarding its scientific quality for attribution of the Honorable Mentions.
2. In case of conflicts of interest, the member(s) involved will not participate in the Jury.
3. The Jury will decide on the attribution of the awards.
4. The decision of the Jury is sovereign and there will be no appeals.

#### **Article 5:**

##### **Evaluation**

1. The Jury will consider as evaluation criteria the original and innovative character of the submitted work, the clarity of established aims, the scientific and technical soundness, the graphical and oral quality of the presentation (Short-Talk only), the conciseness and reasoning during discussion (Short-Talk only).
2. The Short-Talk with the highest score after the scores of all Jury members are added will be the winner of the Prize. The submitted abstracts with the three highest scores after the scores of all Jury members are added will be the winners of the Honourable Mentions.
3. In case of a tie, the date and time of abstract submission will be the tiebreaker.

#### **Article 6:**

##### **Award attribution**

1. The awards notification and delivery will take place during the meeting in the Award & Closing session.
2. The presenting authors will receive by e-mail a certificate of Best oral communication in the form of "Short-Talk" or a certificate of Honourable Mention for the submitted abstract.
3. The awards amount will be transferred to the presenting author.

#### **Article 7:**

##### **Confidentiality and data protection policy**

Required eligibility documentation will be kept confidential. The content of the work presented will be of restricted access to the meeting participants only.

#### **Article 8:**

##### **Final considerations**

Every omission in the present Regulation will be object of discussion and decision by the Organizing Committee.