



SNS Prizes Procedures

Timing for 2025:

- April 15th open submission
 - June 30th deadline for application
 - October: Announcement of the prizes at the 6th SFCNS Conference in Lausanne
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1) Application and Evaluation Process

2x SNS Prize (5000 CHF each) for a scientific work in clinical research and in applied basic / translational science research in the field of Neuroscience

If there are <3 projects/category, the projects will be evaluated all in one category. IMK will pre-check if category chosen by applicants is correct.

- Criteria: The contribution of the applicant should be explicitly stated in the cover letter
 - The paper needs to be accepted or published within 18 months before the submission deadline
 - If rejected, applicants can re-apply with a different paper
 - Applicants needs to be first (co-first) author or last (co-last) author
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2) Formal Criteria:

- A former prize winner will not be awarded again (but application for prize and grant are possible by the same person).
- For the SNS prizes, criteria are (1-9; 1= poor, 9 = excellent; 5 is “good”, no fractions / only whole numbers):
 - Scientific question, methods, statistical analysis, quality of discussion, quality of conclusions.
 - The applicant needs to be either first/co-first author or last/co-last author on the publication proposed.

3) Procedure for the prizes:

- Applications are checked for formal criteria (IMK) – grants need to be in English and need to contain: application letter, publication to be considered for the prize, CV.
- Applications are sent for review (all reviewers) according to evaluation criteria above. The sum of all points will determine the ranking. Comments are possible but not mandatory.

4) COI for Reviewers and SC members who rate the proposals:

- Currently at same institution
- Current joint research projects and/or publications should be declared (no strict exclusion criterion, unless first/last co-authorships)
- Previous joint publications are no exclusion criterion, but must be declared (no strict exclusion criterion)
- Any other (personal) COI must be declared

Gender and Diversity: no quota; but diversity will be considered.