## Otto Hess Trainee Award 2014 of the Swiss Society of Cardiology

The Swiss Society of Cardiology (SSC) has created the Otto Hess Trainee Award to recognize and support trainees in cardiology, who have made a significant contribution to research in the field of cardiology at an early stage of their career. The Award is named in memory of late Otto Martin Hess (1946–2011), a cardiologist, teacher and scientist with particular commitment to promotion of young researchers. 1

Trainees in cardiology who have accomplished at least two years of specialty training in cardiology or subspecialty training in pediatric cardiology, and who have been actively involved in cardiology research are invited to apply. The age limit is 32 years.

Research activity must have resulted in either a doctoral thesis, a full-length publication as first author or a presentation at a major international cardiology congress (annual meeting of ESC, AHA, ACC or WCC)<sup>2</sup>.

The work has to be accepted, published, or presented in the year before deadline of submission. Up to three awards of 5000 CHF each will be attributed each year (initially granted for a 4-year period).

Applications should be submitted by March 31, 2014 by e-mail (1 PDF file) with:

- application letter;
- curriculum vitae (1 page);
- list of publications and abstracts (number of publications is not a major selection criterion);
- letter of support from the director of the institution (where the research has been conducted);
- thesis, publication, or abstract to be considered.

The signed application letter has to be sent also by post.

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The rules of the Otto Hess Research Award providing more details on eligibility, the application procedure, and the award committee, can be downloaded from the website of the Swiss Society of Cardiology: http://www.swisscardio.ch/DOCS\_PUBLIC/Reglement%20 Otto%20Hess%20Trainee%20Award.pdf.

Hans Rickli, President of the Otto Hess Trainee Award Committee, and François Mach, President of the Swiss Society of Cardiology

- Meier B. Zum Abschied von Prof. Dr. med. Otto Martin Hess. Cardiovasc Med. 2011;14(5):139–40.
- <sup>2</sup> ESC, European Society of Cardiology; AHA, American Heart Association; ACC, American College of Cardiology; WCC, World Congress of Cardiology.