

Prizes

Otto Hess Trainee Award 2016 of the Swiss Society of Cardiology

The *Swiss Society of Cardiology (SSC)* has created the *Otto Hess Trainee Award* to recognise 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 the 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 paediatric 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 car-

diology congress (annual meeting of ESC, AHA, ACC or WCC) [2]. 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 four-year period).

Applications should be submitted by March 31, 2016, by e-mail (one 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.

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/Preise_Stipendien/Otto_Hess_Award/Reglement_Otto_Hess_Award.pdf.

Hans Rickli, President of the Otto Hess Trainee Award Committee

Urs Kaufmann, President of the Swiss Society of Cardiology

References

- 1 Cardiovascular Medicine. 2011;14(5):139–140.
- 2 ESC, European Society of Cardiology; AHA, American Heart Association; ACC, American College of Cardiology; WCC, World Congress of Cardiology.

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