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## Otto Hess Trainee Award 2018 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 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 a particular commitment to support of young researchers [1]. Trainees in cardiology who have completed 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. The 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 the European Sciety of Cardiology, American Heart Association, American College of Cardiology or World Congress of Cardiology). The work must have been accepted, published or presented in the year before teh submission deadline. Up to three awards of 5000 CHF each will be allocated each year (initially granted for a 4-year period).

Applications should be submitted by 30 March 2018 by e-mail (one PDF file) with:

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

The signed application letter should also be sent by post. The rules of the Otto Hess Research Award, with 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/public/preise/preis ottohess.asp?I=de

Hans Rickli, President of the Otto Hess Trainee Award Committee Michael Zellweger, President of the Swiss Society of Cardiology

#### Reference

1 Meier B. Zum Abschied von Prof. Dr. med. Otto Martin Hess. Cardiovasc Med. 2011;14(5):139–140.

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## Swiss Amgen Cardiology Research Award 2018

An official scientific prize of the Swiss Society of Cardiology

## Rules for entry:

- 1 The Swiss Amgen Cardiology Research Award is awarded for original research work in cardiovascular disease.
- 2 Prizes may be awarded for one or more research projects (up to a maximum of three), provided that they are connected.
- 3 The manuscripts should be published or accepted for publication in a recognised peer-reviewed journal. Only work published in the year in which the prize is awarded or in the year immediately preceding or following it will be considered.
- 4 Applicants should be the principal author of the work being submitted. Should several works be submitted, the applicant

- should be the principal author of at least one of them.
- 5 Applicants must be under 40 years of age on the deadline for submission. They must be Swiss citizens or working in Switzerland. Swiss citizens may also submit work carried out abroad providing they are working in Switzerland at the time of the award.
- 6 The prize will be awarded annually by the Swiss Society of Cardiology together with Amgen Switzerland AG, normally on the occasion of the Annual Conference, but exceptionally at another event sponsored by the Society.
- 7 The prize winners will be selected by a prize jury whose members will be nominated by the Swiss Society of Cardiology. The jury will consist of a chairman, representatives of all Swiss universities and some members of the board of Swiss Society of Cardiology, as well as international

- experts. Members of the jury will be elected for four years and may be reelected. A representative of Amgen Switzerland AG will be included as an observer.
- 8 The prize will be CHF 30 000, donated by Amgen Switzerland AG.
- 9 The prize winner must undertake to use the prize money of CHF 30 000 exclusively to continue his or her research. The money may be used for salaries, equipment or disposable materials.

Applications should be submitted by March 30, 2018 by e-mail to: info[at]swisscardio.ch

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