Sanofi - Institut Pasteur Awards rules

Sanofi, a global diversified healthcare leader, and the Institut Pasteur, an internationally renowned biomedical research centre, jointly created in 2012 the Sanofi - Institut Pasteur Awards to recognize scientists for their past or ongoing research demonstrating real scientific progress in the life sciences.

As a result of the great success of these Awards for 5 years, Sanofi and the Institut Pasteur have decided to continue this initiative in 2017.

Article 1: Object

The Sanofi - Institut Pasteur Awards will be given, during 2017, to recognize four (4) scientists* for outstanding research demonstrating real scientific progress in the life sciences, more specifically concerning one of the two (2) following subjects:

- Immunology
- Microbiology & Infection

* The Awards are for scientists who have published outstanding research as principal investigators

The Awards will be paid to each of the institutions hosting the four (4) scientists to support continuation of their awarded researches. The Awards are not transferable for any other purpose whatsoever.

Article 2: Prize amount

The four (4) Awards will be awarded to the beneficiaries as specified here below:

- One hundred twenty thousand euros (€ 120 000) Award for each of the two (2) International Award
- Eighty thousand euros (€ 80 000) Award for each of the two (2) National Junior Awards (the candidates must be under 46 years old on 31st December 2017 and should work in France

Article 3: Eligibility - Application form

The participation is by nomination. Self-nominations, nominations from immediate family members, teams, employees and service providers of Sanofi are not eligible for nomination.

The Nominator should be an eminent scientist: Head of University or Scientific Institution, member of the Academy of Sciences or other National Scientific Institution, holder of research chair, permanent and assistant Professor, past Sanofi – Institut Pasteur Awardee, holder of a Ph.D. The nominator may be affiliated with the same institution as the candidate.

When deemed necessary, Institut Pasteur and/or Sanofi reserve(s) the right to ask candidates for additional information in order to evaluate their application.

Candidates must commit themselves to not submit information in their application that is confidential and/or protected by the intellectual property rights of third parties, and to not contravene any rights of third parties.

**Article 4: Composition of the Jury**

The Jury is composed of ten (10) members, as follows:

- **Prof. Elizabeth H. Blackburn**, Professor of Biology and Physiology in the Department of Biochemistry and Biophysics, University of California, San Francisco, USA, Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine in 2009, President of the Jury
- **Prof. Peter C Agre**, University Professor and Director of the Malaria Research Institute, Bloomberg School of Public Health, Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, USA, Nobel Prize in Chemistry in 2003, Vice-President of the Jury
- **Prof. Pascale Cossart**, member of the French Academy of Sciences, Head of Bacteria-Cell Interactions Research Unit, Institut Pasteur, Paris, France
- **Prof. Alain Fischer**, Director of the Pediatric Immunology Unit (Inserm), Hôpital Necker-Enfants malades, Professor at the Paris Descartes University, Paris, France
- **Prof. Jörg H. Hacker**, President of the German Academy of Sciences Leopoldina National Academy of Sciences, Halle, Germany
- **Prof. Jules A. Hoffmann**, Distinguished Class Research Director at CNRS (Emeritus), Professor at Strasbourg University, France, Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine in 2011
- **Dr Gary J. Nabel**, Senior Vice President, Chief Scientific Officer and Deputy to the President of Global R&D Sanofi, Cambridge, USA
- **Prof. Staffan Normark**, Professor of Medical Microbiology, Karolinska Institutet, Stockholm, Sweden, Member of the Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences
- **Prof. Jeffrey V. Ravetch**, Professor and Head of the Leonard Wagner Laboratory of Molecular Genetics and Immunology at the Rockefeller University, New York, USA
- **Prof. Philippe Sansonetti**, member of the French Academy of Sciences, Professor at the Collège de France, Head of the Molecular Microbial Pathogenesis Unit, Institut Pasteur, Paris, France

The Jury members are not paid; their participation is voluntary.

The Jury will meet during October 2017 at Institut Pasteur to evaluate the applications. The Jury is sovereign in its decision; no one can dispute it and it does not need to be justified. All the discussions during the Jury’s meeting must remain confidential.

The Jury has the right to award fewer than four (4) Awards if it deems that there are insufficient suitable applications. In this case, the amount of the Awards, such as specified above, remain unchanged.
Jury members are to abstain from voting for a scientist belonging to the same organization as the said jury member.

**Article 5: Award ceremony**

The Sanofi - Institut Pasteur Awards will be given, in the presence of the awardees, during the Awards Ceremony which will take place on Tuesday, 12th December 2017 in Paris, France.

**Article 6: Funds deposit**

Funds will be paid to the bank accounts of the institutions hosting the awardees as specified at article 2 within a maximum period of sixty (60) days from the award-giving. Funding is subject to the receipt of all necessary documents for the wire transfer (in euros).

**Article 7: Awardees Commitment**

The awardees are expected to participate to the Scientific symposium and the Awards Ceremony and to the other various events related to the Award. (The conditions of reimbursement of travel and accommodation costs will be given in due time).

The awardees will keep the announcement of the Award confidential until the Awards Ceremony and will not contact the media.

Sanofi and Institut Pasteur reserve the right to communicate concerning the Sanofi - Institut Pasteur Awards by any means.

The awardees agree to be photographed, filmed and interviewed, particularly during the Awards Ceremony. These photos, videos and texts will be used, worldwide and for a duration of five (5) years after the Awards Ceremony, for promotional purposes related to the Sanofi – Institut Pasteur Awards (publications, press release, films, exhibitions....).

The awardees will not receive any remuneration, compensation for such promotional activities.

**Article 8: Submission requirements**

Applications must be submitted on line via the web site www.sanofi-institutpasteur-awards.com

All documents must be uploaded as pdf files.

The application requests:

- The scientific field
- The category (Senior, Mid-Career, Junior)
- Name (last, first), date of birth, title, institution, employers, nationality, year of doctoral degree (last one if more than one), mailing address, email, office telephone number, cell phone number and fax number of the applicant (a copy of ID is requested)
- Short curriculum vitae of the candidate (no more than 2 pages)
- A vulgarized summary of the research project (no more than 200 words)
- List of the candidate’s ten (10) most significant publications already published, in order of importance
- Copies of the first page of the candidate’s three (3) most important publications
A summary of the candidate’s main scientific achievements (no more than 250 words)

One sentence stating the principal reason for nomination

Nominator’s name, title, institution, email and telephone number, date

Letter of nomination, describing the scientific accomplishments of the candidate and the reasons he/she deserves the award (no more than 2 pages)

Name, title and affiliation of the two (2) people, not at the candidate’s institution, writing letters of recommendation (optional)

Two (2) letters of recommendation from individuals not at the candidate’s institution (optional).

Incomplete, too long or paper applications will not be considered.

Article 9: Acceptance/Agreement of present conditions

The application for the Sanofi - Institut Pasteur Awards means the full and entire acceptance of the present Awards terms and conditions, available for reference on the website: www.2017.sanofi-institutpasteur-awards.org