





Dear Colleagues,

The journal *Cells* is inviting applications for the 2022 PhD Thesis Award. This prize will be awarded to one PhD student or doctor who has produced a highly anticipated academic potential thesis. The applications will be assessed by an evaluation committee led by Editors-in-Chief Dr. Alexander E. Kalyuzhny and Prof. Dr. Cord Brakebusch.

Eligibility and Requirements:

- The candidate must be a PhD student or a doctor who has produced a highly anticipated academic potential thesis;
- The PhD thesis must be their original work;
- The PhD thesis must be defended between 31 October 2021 to 15 December 2022.

Applicants are also required to submit the following documents:

- An executive summary of their PhD thesis (in English) of around 3000 words;
- A letter from their PhD supervisor recommending the candidate for consideration for this award;
- The candidate's CV, including a list of publications connected with the thesis;
- An electronic copy of the PhD thesis;
- A scanned copy of their PhD diploma (or certificate of studying at a school or research institute as a PhD student going to graduate or participate in graduation thesis defenses).

Selection Criteria:

- Quality of resume and publications;
- Relevance of the candidate and research description;
- Novelty of the candidate's PhD thesis;
- Strength of the recommendation letter;
- Anticipated academic potential;
- Originality and impact of the research.

Prizes:

- A monetary prize (CHF 800);
- A certificate.

The application deadline is 15 December 2022. The winner will be announced on the *Cells* website on 10 April 2023.





