Guidelines and Information on the Johanna Dürmüller-Bol DBMR Research Award 2019

The research award enables the winner to continue her/his project and to secure additional competitive third party support (SNF, Krebsliga, Herzstiftung, etc) for the project.

Amount of Research Award

The Johanna Dürmüller-Bol DBMR Research Award amounts to CHF 30’000.

Application Criteria

- The project must be submitted by a researcher who is working in the Faculty of Medicine at the University of Bern and who is not habilitated.
- The project must be clinically oriented.
- The research plan must be outlined in detail (a research idea is not sufficient).
- The research award cannot be split between two projects.
- The research award cannot be given to more than one person.
- Projects already funded through third-party grants cannot be considered.

Applications

The application must include the following items:

- Max. 5 A4 pages outline of the research project with documentation in English of pilot studies already performed
- Detailed budget for the use of the research award money
- CV of the applicant, max. 1 A4 page
- List of publications
- Letter of support from the applicant’s supervisor with career plan up to habilitation

Time Schedule

Please submit your application together with the required documents (in ONE pdf file only) by Monday, August 19, 2019 to:

marla.rittiner@dbmr.unibe.ch

Only applications in electronic form can be accepted.

Receipt of the application will be confirmed in writing. The winner of the Research Award as well as all other applicants will be informed in writing approx. 3 weeks prior to the Day of BioMedical Research. Applicants must not enquire about the status and progress of the competition.
Award

The Research Award is given on the Day of BioMedical Research.

Public Lecture

The research award winner will give a 15-minute lecture on the subject of the winning project on Wednesday, November 13, 2019 during the Day of BioMedical Research.

Further Regulations

Use of the Research Award Money

The Research Award money may only be used for the winning project as follows:

- Leave of absence of the recipient of the Research Award for research work
- Salary for staff (according to pay scale of the University of Bern)
- Consumables (for project only)
- Purchase of specific equipment for the project

The research award money may not be used for:

- Conference or seminar visits
- Printing costs, magazine subscriptions, etc.
- Computer hardware
- Basic equipment standard to a laboratory

Reporting on Completion of the Project

A short report (max. 1 A4 page) on the project progression, with detailed information on the use of the Research Award money, must be sent no later than one year after the Research Award was given, to the following address:

Department for BioMedical Research
Administration
Basak Ginsbourger
Murtenstrasse 35
3008 Bern

Responsibilities and Procedure

The “Johanna Dürmüller-Bol DBMR Research Award 2019” Commission is responsible for all aspects. External experts may be called in for assessment and evaluation. The decision of the Commission is final and cannot be appealed. There is no legal requirement to decide the research award.

Composition of the Commission

Commission President:
Chair of the Research Committee of the Faculty of Medicine

Members:
The members of the commission will be selected ad hoc from the clinicians and scientists of the University of Bern.