

Thanks to a partnership established in 2012 between the **FONDATION ACTERIA** – ACTing on European Research in Immunology and Allergology – and **EFIS** – European Federation of Immunological Societies – the ACTERIA Prizes are awarded to recognize and reward Europe's young scientists in the fields of immunology and allergology. The Prizes, two each in immunology and allergology, honor outstanding achievements in fundamental research performed in a European institute by researchers with up to 10 years postdoctoral research experience and doctoral theses defended in the last 3 years before the award. The ACTERIA Prizes include individual cash awards plus the potential funding of three-year research projects to be performed in European institutions.

Pursuant to a revision of the 2012 Memorandum of Understanding between the FONDATION ACTERIA and EFIS, starting in 2020 two ACTERIA Prizes will be assigned annually on an alternating basis:

- Two ACTERIA Doctoral Thesis Prizes, one each in immunology and allergology, will be awarded in even years (2020, 2022, 2024, etc.) for the best doctoral theses in the 3 years prior to application submission deadlines;
- Two **ACTERIA Early Career Researcher Prizes**, one each in immunology and allergology, will be awarded in uneven years (2021, 2023, 2025, etc.) to researchers with up to 10 years of postdoctoral experience.

The ACTERIA Doctoral Thesis and Early Career Research Prizes each carry cash awards of €30,000, plus the possibility of financing of €50,000/year for three-year research projects to be performed in European institutions, which can reach up to €200,000 for projects that are pursued by or in cooperation with institutions located in the following countries: *Armenia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Czech Republic, Estonia, Georgia, Greece, Hungary, Kosovo, Latvia, Lithuania, Montenegro, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Russia, Republic of Serbia, Slovak Republic, Slovenia, Turkey, Ukraine.*

**The call for applications for the ACTERIA Early Career Research Prizes will open on October 1st, 2020 and will close on December 31st, 2020.**

Individual researchers who meet eligibility criteria and are members in good-standing of an EFIS-affiliated National Society are invited to [apply here](#). Applications received by the December 31st, 2019 deadline will then be forwarded to applicants' respective National Societies for evaluation and selection of nominees.

Final nominations will be accepted exclusively from **EFIS-affiliated National Societies**, which will have the option of submitting one candidate for each prize.

Winners of the 2021 ACTERIA Early Career Research Prizes for immunology and allergology will be announced in May 2021. The prizes will be formally awarded at the **6th European Congress of Immunology** (ECI 2021) in September 2021.