Science Award

The Walter and Gertrud Siegenthaler Foundation awards an annual science prize to excellent young scientists with employment at the University of Zurich, the University Hospital Zurich, the University Children’s Hospital Zurich, Balgrist University Hospital or the Psychiatric University Hospital Zurich. The award recognizes outstanding scientific achievements in the field of clinical or translational research at an internationally competitive level. Candidates may apply themselves or be nominated by members of the Medical Faculty of the University of Zurich and the Foundation Board.

The prize is awarded once a year and is endowed with CHF 20,000. It is awarded at the Dies academicus of the University of Zurich.

An application for the science prize is only possible if all of the following requirements are met:

- Applicants must have a completed medical education (MD, MD-PhD or PhD from the Doctoral Program Clinical Science of the Medical Faculty of the University of Zurich).
- Applicants (physicians, assistants, postdocs, postdoctoral fellows, assistant professors and SNF-funded professors) must have a record of clinical activity.
- A first scientific independence must be proven (publication of own research work at least one to a maximum of five years before the date of application).
- A substantial part of the scientific achievements on an internationally competitive level has been performed in Zurich.
- Applicants who have already received the Götz Prize will not be considered for the Walter and Gertrud Siegenthaler Science Award.

Evaluation Criteria:
Provided the above requirements are met, applications may be submitted for review. The following evaluation criteria will be applied:

- Previous scientific achievements (own research work and its scientific quality) of the applicant.
- Originality and relevance of the scientific findings
- Previous clinical and scientific activities in Switzerland and abroad of the applicant (the career and the most important milestones of the clinical and scientific activities are assessed).

Please specifically address the above points in your application letter.

Deadline for submission: December 1 of the current year.

Please complete the Application Form Science Award and send it with the documents requested therein by e-mail in a single PDF to:

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The original application form for the Science Award (without further documents) must also be sent to the following address:

Walter und Gertrud Siegenthaler Stiftung  
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Moussonstrasse 15  
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If you have any questions regarding your application, please do not hesitate to contact PD Dr. Ulrike Weber.