



Institut Mérieux – LASI Sepsis Young Investigator Awards - 2018

Sepsis is a major public health issue worldwide. The Institut Mérieux and its entities have been committed for many years in the fight against infectious diseases and their diagnosis. In order to provide an incentive for promising young investigators working on major public health issues linked to infectious diseases, Institut Mérieux allocates several awards worldwide to researchers or clinicians at the beginning of their carrier in recognition of a major achievement having significant impact on the handling of these issues, and in particular regarding antimicrobial resistance and sepsis. To maximize the visibility of such an award, and ensure proper selection of the candidates, Institut Mérieux relies on the expertise of well-established associations working on sepsis, AMR or other relevant topics in each selected countries. Institut Mérieux and Latin-American Sepsis Institute (LASI) have decided to allocate in 2018 a joint Sepsis Young Investigator Award of 10,000 €, that will be given to a laureate from South America or Central America during the LASI International Sepsis Forum on May, 2018.

Selection criteria of the laureate

- Investigators/applicants is affiliated to a hospital or research institution as an intensive care physician, infectious disease clinician, clinical or pre-clinical researcher;
- With less than 15 years of clinical practice experience or less than 10 year of working experience after their postgraduate qualification.
- Involved and made significant contribution in sepsis research and/or patient management with a national impact.
- Indicators of impact could be either publication(s) in prominent international journals and / or implementation of guidelines / protocols having led to significant improvements in the following areas:
 - Development of new tools / approach for the recognition and management of sepsis.
 - Regional or national impact on sepsis epidemiology/mortality and demonstrated by scientific publications.
 - Improvement of sepsis etiology diagnostics and antibiotics stewardship.
 - Scientific sepsis advancements.



Selection process and Conditions.

- Applications for the award should reach LASI on or before 30th December 2017.
- For the award, please submit the following application **in English** through email to secretaria@LASI.org.br.
 - Full name of nominee and contact information (email address and cellphone number)
 - A brief CV of Nominee detailing the professional history of the nominee and why his research / studies deserve the recognition.
 - Two pages description of research and/or clinical projects the young investigator has performed which could be considered for the award. Attaching substantiating evidence such as publication of the nominees work is strongly encouraged.
 - Brief recommendation letter from a senior researcher on the field explaining why in his opinion the young investigator studies deserve the award.
 - One to two pages description of ongoing and future research undertaken by the applicant in the field of sepsis.
 - A 2x2 ID picture of the nominee.
- Members of scientific council of LASI will assess the applications and will rank two to three suitable applications, which will be forwarded to the scientific board of Institut Mérieux with their recommendations for the selection of the laureate. The Institut Mérieux keeps the possibility not to allocate any award if none of the proposal is meeting minimum qualification for the award.
- Institut Mérieux will notify LASI the name of the laureate for the year 2018. LASI will organize an award ceremony during its annual congress to be held in May 2018.
- In order to receive the award money, which is not exceeding €10,000 (Euro Ten thousand), the institution hosting the laureate or LASI should engage an agreement with Institut Mérieux. The award money will be transferred only to the hosting institution of the laureate or LASI, which will hold responsibility for proper utilization of the fund for research by the laureate.