INTRODUCTION

The EUROSON Young Investigator’s Award is considered for work in the field of clinical and/or basic research. The award is available for an original paper (not published at the time of the Congress), free communication and/or poster presented at a EUROSON Congress.

One or two such awards will be made at each Congress.

PRIZE

One or two prizes totalling €3,000 shall be awarded. The granting of any award(s) is in the absolute discretion of EFSUMB. The judges may offer a prize to the best clinical and to the best technical presentation, where appropriate, and divide the prize money.

APPLICATIONS

1) At least 9 (nine) months prior to each EUROSON Congress the Honorary Secretary of EFSUMB shall send a written invitation to the President of each member Society requesting them to nominate a member of their Society to present a paper in the Young Investigator’s Award session of the Congress.

2) The member Society must agree to sponsor their candidate for the cost of their travel and accommodation expenses.

3) The selected candidates will be offered free registration by EFSUMB.

4) Applicants must be under 39 years of age (at the opening date of the Congress). The applicants must be paid up members of a Society which is a member of the European Federation and must not have previously won the Young Investigators Award.

5) A copy of the abstract selected by the member Society must be submitted to the EFSUMB Secretariat, which will be forwarded to the Congress organisers. It is the decision of the local organising committee if the YI Abstracts are included within the Abstract Book.

6) All applications must meet the deadline for the submission of abstracts for the Congress. This will give enough time for the abstracts to be circulated to the selected judges, established in advance of the Congress.
JUDGING

7) Judges will be invited from among the EFSUMB Committees and the Delegates to ensure a diverse range of specialties but with only one judge from any one country.

8) The papers will be presented during the special Young Investigator’s Session in accordance with Bylaw 1. They will be assessed by the judges in terms of clinical and scientific relevance, methodology, results, interpretation and presentation.

9) The judges will mark each Young Investigator according to the score system provided and the prize will be awarded to the abstract with the highest total. In the event of a tie, the judges will reach a consensus by internal discussion in consultation with the chairs of the session.

AWARD PRESENTATION

10) The President of EFSUMB (or his nominee) will present the award(s) at the Congress. The prize money will be reviewed from time to time and submitted to the Board of Delegates for approval.

11) The winning abstract will be published in the EFSUMB newsletter, and all entrants will be encouraged to submit a full paper to Ultraschall in der Medizin / European Journal of Ultrasound.

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