

FHML/Maastricht UMC+ prizes and awards overview

For talented and ambitious researchers in the domain of Health, Medicine and Life Sciences there are several nominations for prizes and awards possible. The overview below provides a list of the most relevant internal and external prizes and awards, with a specification per career phase.

Specific deadlines and procedures for the prizes and awards below will be announced via the monthly FHML/Maastricht UMC+ prize alerts. For more information or questions, contact dr. Els Swennen (els.swennen@maastrichtuniversity.nl or 06-28455614).

Prize	Career phase	Information	Award
<u>Albert Einstein World Award of Science</u>	Senior scientist	The "Albert Einstein" World Award of Science was created as a means of recognition and encouragement for scientific and technological research and development. It takes into special consideration research which has brought true benefit and wellbeing to mankind	Diploma, commemorative medal and an award cheque
<u>Ammodo Science award for fundamental research</u>	Internationally recognised scientists with an appointment at a Dutch university or a Dutch research institute. Awarded their PhD between five and fifteen years ago, and clearly have the potential to explore new avenues in fundamental scientific research	This prize stimulates specifically fundamental science. The award covers all scientific disciplines: -Biomedical Science -Humanities -Natural Science -Social Science	EUR 350,000. The recipients may spend this amount at their discretion to fund fundamental scientific research
<u>Ammodo Science Award for groundbreaking research</u>	Team	This prize is intended to stimulate potentially groundbreaking research. Such research is usually the result of team work, and for that reason this Award is for research being carried out by a group of researchers working together, and is intended to recognise the contribution of every member of the group. The Award is presented every two years in four scientific domains: Biomedical Sciences, Humanities, Natural Sciences and Social Sciences	The Award includes a cash prize of 1,600,000 euros for each of the science domains Natural Sciences and Biomedical Sciences and a cash prize of 800,000 euros for each of the science domains Humanities and Social Sciences

<u>Athena Award</u>	Female researchers appointed in the fields of science that fall within the NWO Domain Science	The Athena Award rewards female researchers that stand out, and because of that, are role models for others. Each year max. 2 winners are appointed within the NWO Domain Science (Earth Sciences, Astronomy, Chemistry, Computer Science, Life Sciences, Physics, Mathematics)	EUR 50,000 each. This amount is to be used on the research of the laureate
<u>Beijerinck Premium for virology</u>	Young scientist who are conducting original and outstanding virus-related research and obtained their PhD between three and eight years before the Award was presented	The Beijerinck Premium, established in 2002, is awarded every year to a talented early career researcher working in the Netherlands on excellent virus-related research and in doing so is an example for other young virologists	EUR 25,000 to spend on virus-related research
<u>Bob Pinedo Cancer Care award</u>	Researcher (or team of researchers)	A prestigious biennial award for internationally acclaimed researchers in (translational) cancer research and compassionate cancer patient care	A bronze sculpture in the form of Professor Pinedo's hand, symbolising both strength and hope of healing, along with EUR 100,000
<u>Chris Gips Geneeskundeprijs</u>	Student geneeskunde die de masterstage in het huidige kalenderjaar zeer succesvol heeft afgerond	De prijs is voorbehouden aan de wetenschappelijk meest getalenteerde Nederlandse student geneeskunde (richting: arts, of inmiddels arts), van en genomineerd door een Nederlandse faculteit, die de masterstage in het huidige kalenderjaar zeer succesvol heeft afgerond. Bij deze uitzonderlijk begaafde student is de verwachting dat die in haar/zijn loopbaan een bijzondere bijdrage aan de geneeskunde in Nederland zal kunnen geven	Oorkonde, een aandenken en een geldbedrag van EUR 1,000
<u>Christiaan Huygens Wetenschapsprijs</u>	PhD candidates who have defended a dissertation in the past three years in the field that is the focus of the award year	The prize aims to promote contacts between Dutch universities and the business community and to positively influence the influx of students into the sciences. The focus is on the scientific areas in which Christiaan Huygens excelled: mathematics, physics and astronomy	EUR 10,000 and a bronze sculpture of Christiaan Huygens

<u>Comenius Leadership Fellows</u>	As Leadership Fellow with at least seven years of teaching experience you have educational leadership skills and a track record of contributing to the educational climate of your higher education institution	This grant allows you to give the educational ambitions of your institution a boost and to inspire other education professionals. You will be able to develop yourself as an educational leader in the Netherlands or even on an international level	EUR 500,000 grant
<u>Comenius Teaching Fellowship</u>	Education professionals working in publicly- funded higher education institutes in the Netherlands	Professionals in higher education can apply for a grant and a Comenius Teaching Fellowship for small-scale innovation in higher education	EUR 50,000 grant to implement an educational innovation project
<u>Corrie Hermann prijs</u>	Female physician	This prize is awarded to a female medical doctor who has contributed towards achieving the aims of the Vereniging van Nederlandse Vrouwelijke artsen (VNWA)	Sculpture
UM Dissertation Prize	PhD	A prize for the best dissertation at Maastricht University (every 2 years)	Sculpture and EUR 3,500
<u>Distinguished NIAS-Lorentz Fellowship</u>	Leading researcher	The Distinguished NIAS-Lorentz Fellowship (DNLF) is awarded annually to a leading researcher to work on cutting-edge research at the interface between the humanities and social sciences on the one hand and the natural and technological sciences on the other	A fellowship at NIAS for 5 months. It includes a personal study, participation in an interdisciplinary community, communal lunch and, if applicable, subsidized accommodation or travel expenses. A personal stipend or, for scholars affiliated to a Dutch university or research institute, a Dutch University Grant, given to the institution. Both are set on EUR 2,500 per month. A workshop at the Lorentz Center on the fellowship topic, with full organizational support and a budget of EUR 20,000

<u>Dr. Elizabeth Schram-Mulley Proefschriftprijs Interdisciplinariteit</u>	Researcher	The Dr. Elizabeth Schram-Mulley (ESM) Foundation will make an annual prize of EUR 10,000 available from 2023 to reward research with a special interdisciplinary character that bridges the boundaries between the classic alpha/beta/gamma scientific fields	EUR 10,000
<u>Dr. Saal van Zwanenberg Ereprijs</u>	Senior scientist	In honor of a scientist who has made itself useful in the field of research that has led directly or indirectly to the development of new pharmaceuticals or the surrounding processes. It covers the full spectrum of pharmaceutical research: 'from molecule to clinical use'. The prize is awarded every two years alternately to a researcher or a clinician	EUR 25,000
<u>Dr. Saal van Zwanenberg Onderzoeksprijs</u>	Master student	For students who have written a research report in the master's phase in pharmaceutical sciences and/ or medical sciences and in which medicine is the central focus	3 prizes to the value of resp. EUR 3,000, EUR 2,000 and EUR 1,000
<u>Dutch Data prize</u>	Researcher or group of researchers	Every two years, the Dutch Data Prize is awarded to an individual or a team that makes research data FAIR	EUR 3,500 towards making their dataset(s) more FAIR (e.g. by organizing a symposium or by making the data accessible online)
<u>Dutch Education Premium</u>	Education teams	The Dutch Education Premium is awarded annually to education teams that have developed an initiative over the past four years that has led to improvements in education	The premium of a total of 7.5 million euros is divided among three teams from secondary vocational education (2.5 million euros), three teams from higher vocational education (2.5 million euros) and three teams from scientific education (2.5 million euros). 5 million euros). The distribution is as follows: - the first prize of the Dutch Education Premium amounts to EUR 1.2 million

<u>Dutch L'Oréal- Unesco For Women in Science Fellowship</u>	Female researchers with 3-10 years of post-PhD academic experience (comparable to Veni/Vidi level)	These fellowship grants are intended to advance the academic careers of women researchers with 3-10 years of post-PhD academic experience (comparable to Veni/Vidi level) and working in the field of Life Sciences. The Dutch L'Oréal-Unesco "For Women in Science" Fellowships offer women researchers a residential stay of one semester (5 months) during which they can perform scientific work in an international and interdisciplinary environment	Two grants of € 30,000 each are available annually to fund the costs of two fellowships at NIAS-KNAW in Amsterdam for the duration of one semester
<u>Dutch L'Oréal- Unesco For Women in Science Rising Talent Prize</u>	Young female researchers	The aim of the Netherlands L'Oréal-Unesco For Women in Science Rising Talent Prizes is to advance the academic careers of young women researchers in the Netherlands holding a position as PhD candidate or postdoctoral fellow in STEM or Life Sciences, with a maximum of three years post-PhD academic experience. The three annual prizes offers young women researchers an individual award in recognition of their academic achievements and future potential	An individual award of EUR 3,500, EUR 2,000 or EUR 1,000. In addition, the first prize laureate is entitled to be nominated for the International Rising Talents programme of FWIS
<u>Edmond Hustinx Prijs voor de wetenschap</u>	Young researcher	The Prize is awarded within an academic field determined by the Board of Stichting Edmond Hustinx	EUR 15,000
<u>Els Borst Oeuvreprijs</u>	Late career female medical doctors	The VNVA Els Borst Oeuvre Prize will be awarded to a prize winner(s) who has managed to develop an effective, and often long-term, project from a thematic perspective that falls under the essential improvement of women's health	lasting keepsake
Eredocraat	Senior scientist	UM bestows honorary doctorates upon people who have made an extraordinary contribution to science or society	

<u>Faces of Science</u>	PhD	Faces of Science is an online place that gives the visitor insight into the life of the researcher via blogs, videos and articles. The aim is to highlight PhDs from different fields and to show how it is to be a scientist, especially to young people who have to choose a study	Online platform
<u>FIGON Dutch Medicines Days-PhD competition</u>	PhDs who conducts innovative drug research	The annual PhD competition is a prominent part of the FIGON DMD programme. FIGON wants to give the best PhD students from the different regions a stage to present their research	3 prizes to the value of resp. EUR 1,250, EUR 750 and EUR 500
<u>For Women in Science International Award</u>	Female scientist	This Award recognizes and supports eminent women in science throughout the world. Each year, five Laureates are recognized for their contributions to the advancement of science, in Life Sciences (even years) or Physical Sciences, Mathematics and Computer Science (odd years)	Each of the five Laureates will receive an award of EUR 100,000
<u>Global Young Academy Membership</u>	Early-mid career researchers	Founded in 2010, the Global Young Academy (GYA) is an organisation of 200 diverse researchers across disciplines who are selected for five-year terms based on their scientific excellence and their commitment to using their research to make the world a better place. It presently has members and alumni from over 100 countries, who are passionate about the role of science in creating a better world. We strive for the highest quality and impact in our activities	Membership for 5 years
<u>Heineken Young Scientist Award</u>	Early career Candidates must have obtained their PhD three to eight years prior to the Awards being made	The Heineken Young Scientists Awards are presented to promising young researchers whose outstanding achievements in science and scholarship sets an example for other young scientists and scholars. Four Awards in the following domains: Humanities, Social Sciences, Medical/Biomedical Sciences and Natural Sciences	A work of art designed by Jeroen Henneman and EUR 15,000

<u>Heineken Prizes</u>	Senior scientist	The Heineken Prizes for scientists and scholars recognise and reward unique achievement in the fields of biochemistry and biophysics, medicine, environmental sciences, history and cognitive science	USD 200,000
<u>Hugo van Poelgeest Award</u>	Young, new generation scientist	The Hugo van Poelgeest Award is a scientific award for excellent animal-free research in the life sciences. The prize focuses on the new generation of scientists, in an effort to inspire them to continue working with animal-free models	Two prizes: The prestigious Hugo van Poelgeest Award of EUR 5.000 and the audience award of EUR 1.500
<u>Huibregtsenprijs</u>	Senior scientist	Awarded to a scientifically innovative research project that convincingly shows societal relevance. 2 domains: -Exact, Technical, Medical or Natural sciences -Social sciences or Humanities	Sculpture 'De Denker', EUR 25,000 to spend on research and a workshop offered by Lorentz Center Leiden
<u>Innovators in Science Award</u>	Early career and senior scientist	This global award recognizes a promising Early-Career Scientist's and an outstanding Senior Scientist's contributions to biomedical science and is intended to support their commitment to innovative research	Two prizes of USD 200,000
<u>Jan Brouwer Scriptieprijs</u>	The prizes are intended for (former) students whose master thesis have been approved by their supervisor(s) in the current academic year	With support from the Jan Brouwer Fonds, the 'Koninklijke Hollandsche Maatschappij der Wetenschappen' awards each year eight dissertation prizes to humanity and social sciences in the scientific fields of: 1. Philosophy; 2. Religious sciences & Theology; 3. Linguistics & Literature; 4. History; 5. Law; 6. Economics; 7. Social Sciences; 8. Behavioral Sciences	Eight dissertation prizes of EUR 2,000 each

<u>Josephine Nefkens Prijs</u>	Excellente kankeronderzoeker	In November 1998 is bij de opening van het Josephine Nefkens Instituut door de heer ir. Harry Nefkens de Josephine Nefkens Prijs voor kankeronderzoek ingesteld. De prijs die wordt beheerd door de Stichting Josephine Nefkens Prijs en wordt uitgereikt onder auspiciën van het Erasmus MC Rotterdam, is bestemd voor een actief wetenschapper in het Nederlandse taalgebied, ongeacht nationaliteit, die excellent werk heeft verricht op het gebied van kankeronderzoek. De prijswinnaar zal de prijs naar eigen inzicht bestemmen voor kankeronderzoek	EUR 100,000
<u>KIJK Best tech-idee</u>	Research team	Elk jaar organiseert het populairwetenschappelijk tijdschrift KIJK de wedstrijd Beste tech-idee. We gaan hierbij op zoek naar de beste technologische ideeën (van start-ups of universiteiten) van Nederlandse bodem	Publieksprijs en juryprijs, publicatie in KIJK
<u>King Faisal Medicine/Science Prize</u>	Senior scientist	The King Faisal Medicine/Science Prize recognizes the outstanding works of individuals and institutions	Certificate, gold medal and a cheque of SAR 750,000 (an equivalent of USD 200,000)
<u>Klokhuis wetenschapsprijs</u>	Researcher or group of researchers	Each year the Klokhuis Science Prize is awarded during the junior opening of InScience. The prize is intended to raise awareness to Dutch Scientific research among a young and broad public	A scientific episode of Het Klokhuis will be dedicated to the research field of the winning research
<u>KNAW Descartes-Huygens Prijs</u>	Early-mid career French researchers	The prize aims to stimulate the scientific career of an excellent researcher in the field of French-Dutch research. Two winners are chosen each year: the Netherlands selects the French winner and France selects the Dutch winner for this prize	EUR 23,000
<u>KNAW Early career award</u>	Young talented researchers who are considered capable of developing innovative and original research ideas. PhD >3 and <7 years ago	The KNAW Early Career Award is intended to support and encourage talented PhD graduates. The Award is aimed at researchers at the start of their career who are capable of developing innovative and original research ideas	EUR 15,000 and an artwork

<u>KNAW Early Career Partnership</u>	PhD, awarded with a PhD no more than seven years previously	The KNAW Early Career Partnerships are intended to encourage early-career researchers to enter into or develop interdisciplinary partnerships that will lead to new insights in basic research across all domains. Up to ten Partnerships are awarded annually. The KNAW Early Career Partnerships are made available from the KNAW Academy Fund	EUR 10,000 to organise an interdisciplinary meeting in the Academy's Trippenhuis complex or another location of their choice
<u>KNAW Hendrik Muller Prijs</u>	Mid-career PhD <15 years ago	The Dr Hendrik Muller Prize is awarded every two years to a mid-career researcher working in the Netherlands, who has a sustainable link with the Netherlands and has made an outstanding contribution to the humanities or social sciences	A sum of 25,000 euros and is intended as a contribution to a research project at the laureate's discretion
<u>KNAW Jonge Akademie</u>	Mid-career PhD <10 years ago (after April 1 st)	The Young Academy is a dynamic and innovative group of top young scientists with outspoken views about science and science policy. The Young Academy organises inspiring activities for various target groups focusing on interdisciplinarity, science policy and the interface between science and society	5 year membership
<u>KNAW lidmaatschap</u>	Senior scientist	Each year, the Academy selects a maximum of sixteen new members based on scientific and scholarly achievements	Membership for life
<u>Lindau Nobel Laureate Meetings</u>	Students, PhD candidates and post-docs researchers affiliated with an academic institution in the Kingdom of the Netherlands	The Lindau Nobel Laureate Meetings aim to encourage the exchange of knowledge between different generations of scientists, consolidate international networks, and inspire both young researchers and Nobel laureates. The theme of the Lindau Meetings alternates between the three Nobel Prize scientific disciplines: physics, chemistry or physiology/medicine. The Lindau Meeting on economic sciences is held every three years Subject areas 2024: Physics, 2025: Chemistry, Economic Sciences	During the Lindau Meeting Days with Nobel Prize Laureates, young scientific talents have the opportunity to meet colleagues from all over the world and to talk to Nobel Prize Laureates

<u>Marja van Dieijen Award</u>	All MUMC+ employees (from the hospital and FHML) and students can compete for the award as an individual, as a team or as an interdepartmental team	This bi-annual award is intended for innovations that clearly reflect our Healthy Living ambition. It is also for innovations that provide a link between the pillars of education, research and patient care. The voice and input of patients and/or students are of paramount importance	EUR 25,000
<u>Netherlands Academy of Engineering Fellow</u>	Mid-late career researchers	Every year starting in 2024, the NAE will select up to 10 new Fellows annually. In 2023 – the first year of its existence – NAE will launch with a total of 55 new Fellows, in addition to the Fellows who form the current founding board	Fellowship
<u>Niels Stensen Fellowship</u>	Postdoc	A postdoctoral research grant which enables talented researchers to gain research experience at a top university or institute abroad	Fellowship
<u>New Scientist Wetenschapstalent</u>	Talented researchers not older than 36 years and who were awarded their PhD not more than 6 years ago	The Prize for the New Scientist Wetenschapstalent was introduced to provide a platform to young, scientific talents and to stimulate them in their research. Selection criteria are scientific impact, societal impact, originality of research and the extent to which the research is popularized	EUR 2,500 and a sculpture

<p><u>Praemium Erasmianum dissertatieprijzen</u></p>	<p>Jonge onderzoekers</p>	<p>Sinds 1988 kent de Stichting Praemium Erasmianum jaarlijks Dissertatieprijzen toe voor bijzondere dissertaties op het gebied van de Geesteswetenschappen, de Sociale wetenschappen en de Rechtsgeleerdheid. In aanmerking komen dissertaties die verdedigd zijn tussen 15 december 2020 en 15 december 2022. Maximaal vijf prijzen worden toegekend aan jonge onderzoekers in de geesteswetenschappen en de sociale wetenschappen die een proefschrift van bijzonder hoge kwaliteit hebben verdedigd aan een Nederlandse universiteit. Als instelling zijn wij uitgenodigd om maximaal vier dissertaties voor te dragen, waarvan twee op het gebied van de geesteswetenschappen, één op het gebied van de sociale wetenschappen of gedragswetenschappen en één op het gebied van de rechtsgeleerdheid.</p>	<p>EUR 3,000 en een oorkonde</p>
<p><u>Prix Galien Research Award</u></p>	<p>Scientist or team of scientists</p>	<p>Awarded to a scientist, or a team of scientists, for direct and substantial contribution to fundamental or clinical drug research</p>	<p>EUR 5,000 and a gold medal</p>
<p><u>J.C. Ruigrok Prijs</u></p>	<p>Researchers die in het jaar van toekenning niet langer dan vijf jaar zijn gepromoveerd</p>	<p>De Johannes Cornelis Ruigrok Prijs is ingesteld door de J.C. Ruigrok Stichting als aanmoedigingsprijs voor onderzoekers die in het jaar van toekenning niet langer dan vijf jaar zijn gepromoveerd, ter bekroning van oorspronkelijk onderzoek op het gebied van de maatschappijwetenschappen . Jaarlijks wordt de prijs toegekend voor onderzoek op één van de volgende gebieden: - Rechtswetenschappen - Economische wetenschappen</p>	<p>EUR 12,500</p>

<u>Spinoza</u>	Senior scientist	The NWO Spinoza Prize is the highest award in Dutch science. Each year, NWO awards the NWO Spinoza Prizes to three or four researchers working in the Netherlands who according to international standards belong to the absolute scientific top. The NWO Spinoza Laureates do outstanding, groundbreaking research with large impact. They serve as inspiration for young researchers. With this initiative NWO encourages top level research in the Netherlands	Bronze sculpture and EUR 1,5 million
<u>Stevin Prize</u>	Senior scientist	The NWO Stevin Prize is awarded to researchers, or a team of two to three researchers, with international reputations. It is an honorary award celebrating what the winners have achieved in their scientific career regarding knowledge exchange and societal impact. In essence the prize works as an impulse for scientific research, knowledge exchange and impact in the Netherlands	EUR 1,5 million to spend on research and/or activities on knowledge exchange and impact
SWUM Bachelor Student Prize	Bachelor Student	On the occasion of the Dies Natalis the Board of Stichting Wetenschapsbeoefening UM intends to award, the SWUM student prizes. Annually, one student prize is awarded in each of the Maastricht University faculties per bachelor's programme. The prize is awarded to the student that achieved the highest mark for a bachelor's thesis in a particular bachelor's programme	EUR 500,00 and a certificate

SWUM Master Student Prize	Master student	On the occasion of the Dies Natalis the Board of Stichting Wetenschapsbeoefening UM intends to award, the SWUM student prizes. Annually, one student prize is awarded in each of the Maastricht University faculties with less than 10 master's programmes (Faculties of Law, Psychology & Neuroscience and Science & Engineering). Annually, two student prizes are awarded in each of the Maastricht University faculties with more than 10 master's programmes (Faculties of Health, Medicine & Life Sciences, Arts & Social Sciences and School of Business & Economics)	EUR 500,00 and a certificate
UM Impact prize	PhD	The annual UM Impact Prize is awarded to a dissertation that has a major or special impact, both on an economic and social level	EUR 3,000 and a work of art
<u>Unilever Research Prize</u>	Master student	Talented master students who have done outstanding work in their field of study and show traits of a qualified researcher	EUR 2,500 and a special glass artwork called 'The Helping Hands'
<u>United Europe and Gastroenterology Research Prize</u>	Late career researcher	UEG awards EUR 100,000 each year for excellence in basic science, translational or clinical research. With this prize we support a future scientific research project from early stage to successful conclusion. The prize addresses well-established researchers at the height of their active career, whose science has had or will have a crucial impact on digestive health	EUR 100,000

<p><u>Young Academy of Europe</u></p>	<p>Early-mid career researcher</p>	<p>The Young Academy of Europe (YAE) is a group of leading European young scholars. The mission of the YAE focuses on (but is not limited to):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Science policy: The YAE acts as a voice for young researchers by actively reaching out to policy makers in an attempt to contribute to science policy and contribute to the development of a European science agenda for the coming decades. • Interdisciplinary exchange: The YAE aims to function as a European platform fostering interdisciplinary and international scientific exchange, collaboration, and knowledge transfer amongst its members and beyond borders. • Science communication: The YAE encourages young scientists to communicate their research to the general public with emphasis on scientific and scholarly issues affecting society, quality of life, and standard of living in Europe. • Networking: The YAE fosters efficient communication to strengthen solidarity and networking activities amongst young researchers in Europe in order to create a pool of information, pass on experience, provide feedback, and support current colleagues and future generations of leading scientists across Europe. The Young Academy of Europe maintains a close affiliation with the Academia Europaea (AE) in order to stimulate collaboration and exchange within and across fields and scientific generations 	<p>Membership</p>
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