

## Competition rules

### for the Poznań Branch of the Polish Academy of Sciences Award

for the best original creative work whose lead author is a doctoral student from the Branch, adopted by the Presidium of the Poznań Branch of the Polish Academy of Sciences, approved by the General Assembly of the Poznań Branch of the Polish Academy of Sciences on December 5, 2012.

1. The award is granted by the President of the Academy at the request of the Presidium of the Poznań Branch of the Polish Academy of Sciences. The funds come from the pool of funds allocated for scientific and organizational awards of the President of the Polish Academy of Sciences.
2. The award is granted for original research achievements of doctoral students, which were published in the year preceding the award.
3. The competition is open to persons who:
  - a) in the year preceding the submission of the application, was a doctoral student at a scientific institution located in the Wielkopolska or Lubuskie,
  - b) submit one original published creative work (or monograph) to the competition.
4. An achievement is considered to have been published in a given year if it appeared in print (full bibliographic data) or was made available in an electronic version "*online early*" (*ahead of publication*) and has a DOI number.
5. The award is granted in five areas:
  - humanities and social sciences
  - biological and agricultural sciences
  - exact sciences and earth sciences
  - technical sciences
  - medical sciences 4.

The criteria for evaluating achievements

are:

- a) originality and cognitive value of the achievement,
- b) the candidate's contribution to the achievement:
  - independent work,
  - multi-author work with the first position indicating the doctoral student's dominant contribution to the achievement,
  - multi-author work with a position other than first author – a statement from the thesis supervisor is required regarding the doctoral student's contribution to the creative work submitted to the competition, indicating the nature of this contribution and the candidate's percentage share,
- c) the rank of the journal (expressed by *the impact factor* for the year preceding the publication of the work and the current score of the Ministry of Science and Higher Education) or publisher (in the case of monographs)
- d) response in the scientific community to the achievement (e.g., citations, comments in scientific journals, etc.)

5. The achievements are evaluated by five 5-member teams, specific to the selected areas, appointed by the Presidium of the Poznań Branch of the Polish Academy of Sciences.
6. Each evaluation team may apply for only one financial award for one researcher and for a distinction for another researcher, without financial remuneration. If the work indicates equal participation of two doctoral students, the award may be divided into two equal parts and granted to both doctoral students . The team may also decide that none of the applications in a given competition deserve a financial award or distinction.
7. The results of the competition are subject to approval by the Presidium of the Poznań Branch of the Polish Academy of Sciences.
8. The Presidium of the Poznań Branch of the Polish Academy of Sciences submits to the President of the Academy a proposal for the awarding of prizes in the five above-mentioned areas of science, together with a proposal for their amount.
9. Applications may only be submitted electronically to the Poznań Branch of the Polish Academy of Sciences between January 1 and March 15, using the form available at <http://www.poznan.pan.pl>, to the following address: [kamila.sobkowska@pan.pl](mailto:kamila.sobkowska@pan.pl)
10. The results of the competition are announced during the next General Assembly of the Poznań Branch of the Polish Academy of Sciences (May/June), and the winners are required to present their awardwinning work during the open part of the Assembly.