



Swiss 3RCC 3Rs Award

The Swiss 3R Competence Centre (3RCC) offers a yearly award of CHF 5,000 to scientists who have significantly contributed to the advancement of Replacement, Reduction, Refinement of animal experimentation (the principle of 3Rs) in the area of life sciences. The award will be shared between the researcher, who will personally receive CHF 1,000, and the research lab (CHF 4,000), to e.g. support the 3Rs research, a meeting or an open access publication.

The award takes into account contributions such as innovative methodologies, modifications of existing methodologies, basic research, applied research, methodology optimization, validation, teaching, testing, manufacture of vaccines, discovery and development of new medicines, medical devices and healthcare products for humans and animals. Technologies applied may include, but are not limited to, refinements to animal models (e.g., sampling techniques, improved welfare), *in vitro* models (e.g., human-based models, tissue cultures), molecular techniques (e.g. proteomics), analytic and computational models, study design or translational research.

The applications will be evaluated based on the quality of the contributions and on their impact on the advancement of the principle of the 3Rs in either a scientific, regulatory, industrial or educational context. In addition to the financial award of CHF 5,000, the awardee will be given the possibility to have a short video made about his/her activities contributing to the implementation of the 3Rs and/or to present his/her work in a 3R-dedicated event organized by the 3RCC.

Applicants that have their proposed work conducted in Switzerland can submit their applications according to the 3RCC Award Application Form below. Applications must include:

- A nomination letter including the impact of the individual's scientific activities in advancing the principle of the 3Rs (candidates may self-nominate)
- The completed Application Form
- The CV of the applicant and any additional relevant documents such as published articles, training courses, etc.

Complete applications should be sent electronically to secretariat@swiss3rcc.org before the applications closing deadline. It is recommended to keep the use of acronyms to a minimum.

The applications will be reviewed by the 3RCC Scientific Advisory Board. Members of the evaluation panel having a potential conflict of interest with a specific application will be excluded from the respective evaluation.

Timelines:

- Opening of call for nominations: mid February 2019
- Applications closing deadline: 17 June 2019, 23h59
- Award recipients notification: mid August 2019

In case you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact us at secretariat@swiss3rcc.org or at 031 631 5622.

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