

Guidelines Best Collaborative BioTechMed-Graz Paper

The Best Collaborative BioTechMed-Graz Paper is a yearly award to authors to recognize their outstanding collaborative scientific publication with BioTechMed-Graz affiliation.

Who is eligible to apply?

An excellent original scientific paper with **BioTechMed-Graz affiliation** which was published or has been accepted for publication (letter of acceptance required) in a professional peer reviewed journal in the period January 1, 2023 - September 1, 2024. To be considered a collaborative BioTechMed-Graz paper, **at least two full members* of BioTechMed-Graz of at least two partner universities must be authors of the publication. Only first author(s) and corresponding author(s), which also have to be either full members or associate members of BioTechMed-Graz, can apply.** For all publication formats that do not have lead authors and/or where the authors are ordered alphabetically, all authors can apply. A maximum of one application per person and per publication will be accepted.

Decision process

The International Scientific Advisory Board will nominate an award winner on the basis of originality, general scientific quality, contributions to the field, clarity of writing, and timeliness. The Executive Committee will make the final decision based on the recommendation of the International Scientific Advisory Board.

Application

A complete proposal consists of the following elements (see form provided by BioTechMed-Graz):

- Publication
- Details on the publication (journal impact factor etc.)
- Justification for the nomination (i.e. a summary statement describing the originality and timeliness of the work, its significance to the field and possibly beyond the immediate field of research) (max. 1 page).

Award

In a given year, usually one paper is selected, but the International Scientific Advisory Board may choose to give no award. The prize winner receives EUR 3,000. The award can be used for further research activities at the institute or can be a personal bonus payment (social security charges, taxes and other statutory costs will be deducted). Public announcement and presentation of the award usually takes place at the General Meeting of BioTechMed-Graz.

Timeline:

- 08.03.2024 Publication of award guidelines
- 10.09.2024 Deadline submission of publications
- Nov./Dec. 2024 The nomination is scheduled for the fall meeting of the International Scientific Advisory Board.

ANNEX: Application Form

**The list of BioTechMed-Graz full members is available in the member section of the BioTechMed-Graz website (<https://biotechmedgraz.at/en/member-section/>)*



ANNEX: Best Collaborative BioTechMed-Graz Paper: Application Form

Application for a BioTechMed-Graz Best Paper Award: Send the publication and this form as a single PDF file to office@biotechmedgraz.at.

Applicant	
Surname	
First name	
Title/Acad. Degree	
University and organizational unit	
BioTechMed-Graz research area	
ORCID	
E-Mail	
Phone number	

Filed publication		
Title		
Authors		
Journal		
Type of publication		
Volume	Date and place of publication or accepted for publication	Pages (from – to)
D.O.I and/or URL		
Impact factor (last available year)		

Justification for nomination (max. 1 page)
Please include a summary statement describing the originality and timeliness of the work, its significance to the field and possibly beyond the immediate field of research. (see page 2)

I certify with my signature that the information provided in this form is accurate and complete.	
Place, date	Signature of applicant

Justification for nomination (max. 1 page)

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