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UFW Research Award 2023

Award

The Research Award is the annual scientific award of University Fund Wageningen (UFW) to honour excellent young researchers at Wageningen University & Research (WUR).

The researcher must have written an outstanding and original research paper of exceptional quality. More specifically, the paper must excel at all the following points:

- 1) Creativity and originality
- 2) Scientific rigor
- 3) Scientific and/or societal impact

Eligible for nominations

- ✓ The paper must have been published between 1 January 2022 – 31 December 2022
- ✓ The nominee must be the **first author** of the paper
- ✓ The first author **must have a WUR affiliation** on the paper
- ✓ Shared first authors can only be nominated together **if they both have a WUR affiliation** on the paper. If one of the shared first author **does not** have a WUR affiliation, then only the author with the affiliation can be nominated
- ✓ The nominee must be younger than 40 years of age, at the date of the publication
- ✓ The nominated paper is not a review

Who can nominate

- ✓ A paper can be nominated by all members from the WUR scientific community, including self-nominations
- ✓ Every nomination needs to be accompanied by a letter of recommendation from one or more faculty member(s) of WUR

Nomination protocol

Nominations, including all required documents (see below: A, B), must be submitted via the digital form on our website: http://bit.ly/researchaward_en

The deadline for nominating a research paper is the **1st of February 2023, 23:59**.

Required documents for nomination:

- A) A copy of the nominated paper
- B) Letter of recommendation (max. 500 words) following the **format**:
 - What is the contribution of the WUR author?
 - Why does this paper stand out in this field of research?
 - What is the impact of this research on science and/or on society?

Jury

A jury appointed by the Dean of Research will evaluate the nominations and propose an award winner to the Executive Board of Wageningen University & Research. The jury can consult third parties to fulfill this duty. The jury will not correspond about their decisions.

Award

The Research Award consists of a certificate and a judicium written by the jury, a replica of the 'Wageningen Tree' and a monetary prize of €2500 (which is shared in case of shared first authors).

The winner of the Research Award 2022 will be presented officially during the ceremony held at the Dies Natalis 2023.

For more information or questions, please send an email to ufw@wur.nl.