

Best Publication Award

General Rules

(adopted by the Council of the SSN on May 22nd 2002):

1. The SSN awards, every calendar year, a prize to a **student-member** (working towards a pre-doctoral degree or a doctoral degree) for a **best publication**. The prize is given at the **Annual meeting** of the SSN. The amount of the Award is decided every year by the Council.
2. Awarded are peer-reviewed **articles**, published (or accepted for publication) between December 1st of the previous year and November 30th of the year the application is submitted. Only articles to which the applicant has **contributed substantially** will be considered.
3. The applicant has to be **member of the SSN** and has to be **first or last author** on the article. The application includes:
 - o the **article** to be awarded
 - o a short **description** of the significance of the work (max. one A4 page)
 - o a **curriculum-vitae**
 - o a **letter of support** from the main supervisor of the student describing his/her contribution to the article to be awarded.

Five hard copies AND one PDF File of the application should be sent to the President of the SSN.

4. The **deadline** for application is **December 5th** for an article to be awarded at the following Annual meeting. However, applications are encouraged to be submitted **as early as possible**, for instance immediately following publication (or acceptance) of the article.
5. A jury formed of at least 5 members of the SSN committee (including the president and vice-president) will revise the applications. The selection will be based on **scientific and/or clinical excellence**. The decision of the jury cannot be appealed. All applicants will be informed in writing.
6. The rules for application and the amount of award will be posted on the **website** of the SSN.
7. Submission of a paper (article) to the "SSN Best Publication Award", even if nominated, **does not exclude** submission the same year of the same paper to the "Pfizer Prize".