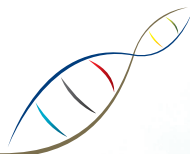


# Bial AWARD



IN BIOMEDICINE 2021



REGULATION

**PATRONAGE**

The President of the Portuguese Republic  
Council of Rectors of Portuguese Universities (CRUP)  
European Medical Association

**JURY**

**President:**

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European Medical Association

Vincenzo Costigliola  
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Scientific Board of the BIAL Foundation

Hugo Critchley  
Menno Witter

Previous winners of the BIAL Award

Peter St. George-Hyslop  
Daniel Pipeleers

Scientific Journals

Howard Bauchner - JAMA  
Eric Rubin - NEJM

## **Article 1 - BIAL AWARD IN BIOMEDICINE 2021**

The BIAL Foundation announces the BIAL AWARD IN BIOMEDICINE 2021 under the terms and conditions established herein.

## **Article 2 - SCOPE OF THE AWARD**

1. The BIAL AWARD IN BIOMEDICINE 2021 seeks to recognize a work published in the broad biomedical field after 1 January 2012, the results of which are considered of exceptional quality and scientific relevance.
2. The BIAL AWARD IN BIOMEDICINE 2021 consists of a € 300,000.00 (three hundred thousand euro) monetary prize and a certificate.
3. The winning work will be published on the BIAL Foundation website, subject to the previous consent from the author(s) and their respective publisher.

## **Article 3 - NOMINATION PROCESS**

1. Only works nominated by the voting members of the Jury, by the members of the Scientific Board of the BIAL Foundation, by previous BIAL Foundation award winners or by Scientific Societies may be considered candidates for the BIAL AWARD IN BIOMEDICINE 2021. However, the Jury may also invite other scientific institutions to submit nominations.
2. Work(s) whose author(s) or co-author(s) are employees of the BIAL Foundation or of any company of the BIAL Group are not eligible for consideration as candidates for the BIAL AWARD IN BIOMEDICINE 2021. Self-nominations are also not allowed.
3. Submissions for nominations must be written in English and must be submitted by 11:59 p.m. (GMT) until 30 June of 2021. The nomination form (available at [www.fundacaobial.com](http://www.fundacaobial.com)) shall be completed and sent in a PDF format, without restrictions, to [fundacao@bial.com](mailto:fundacao@bial.com) and include each of the following information and materials:
  - a) Nominator's name(s) and contact details;
  - b) A full copy of the work;
  - c) A description of the work that facilitates its analysis in the context of this award, including:
    - (i) the work's main contributions (maximum 500 words); and
    - (ii) the work's measurable impact (maximum 500 words); and
  - d) The name of each author or authors of the work, his/her/their institutional affiliation(s) and, if available, telephone and e-mail contacts.

## **Article 4 - RECEPTION AND TREATMENT OF NOMINATIONS**

1. Within 15 days from the date of receipt of the PDF nomination forms at the e-mail address [fundacao@bial.com](mailto:fundacao@bial.com), BIAL Foundation will send an e-mail to the respective nominators, acknowledging receipt of the e-mail, which will be subject to subsequent consideration by the Jury under the terms of this Regulation. Afterwards BIAL Foundation will send to the members of the Jury the PDF nomination forms received pursuant to article 3 above.
2. The PDF nomination forms will be kept on file until the results of the BIAL AWARD IN BIOMEDICINE 2021 are announced and afterwards disposed of by the BIAL Foundation and the Jury, except for the nomination form of the awarded work, which will be kept by BIAL Foundation unless otherwise agreed with the author(s) of the awarded work.

3. The Jury is ultimately responsible for assessing and deciding whether work(s) comply or not with the terms and conditions set forth in this Regulation.
4. The BIAL Foundation does not accept any obligations or liabilities arising out of author(s)'s failure to fulfil all terms and conditions expressed or implied in this Regulation. The BIAL Foundation may not be held liable for any act or omission of the Jury or any of its members.
5. The winner(s) of the BIAL AWARD IN BIOMEDICINE 2021 is/are solely responsible for the winning work, including its contents and compliance with all applicable laws (including, without limitation, intellectual property laws), regulations and codes.
6. The BIAL Foundation and the members of the Jury shall maintain strict confidentiality with respect to the work(s) nominated for the BIAL AWARD IN BIOMEDICINE 2021.
7. The BIAL Foundation may collect, process and/or use personal data submitted in the work(s) for the purposes of the award in accordance with this Regulation, in particular for verifying the identity of the author(s), for administering the award and to contact the author(s) for the organization and execution of the award and ceremonies, in compliance with applicable EU and national law on data protection. Author(s) may exercise their right to access, obtain, correct and oppose the use of personal data by writing to [fundacao@bial.com](mailto:fundacao@bial.com). To learn more about the processing of personal data by the BIAL Foundation, please consult [www.fundacaobial.com](http://www.fundacaobial.com).

#### **Article 5 - JURY COMPOSITION**

1. The Jury is independent and impartial and is subject to the confidentiality obligations set forth in this Regulation.
2. The Jury of the BIAL AWARD IN BIOMEDICINE 2021 is composed of fourteen members. One of the members will be appointed by the BIAL Foundation and act as the President of the Jury. The other members of the Jury to be appointed include two members chosen by the European Research Council, two by the Council of Rectors of Portuguese Universities, two by the European Medical Association, and two by prominent international journals. The BIAL Foundation will choose two additional members from among the members of the Scientific Board of the BIAL Foundation and two other members from among previous winners of the BIAL Award. A fourteenth member will be appointed by the BIAL Foundation and act as Secretary to the Jury.

#### **Article 6 - JURY DECISIONS**

1. The Jury has the power to decide by simple majority the winning work of the BIAL AWARD IN BIOMEDICINE 2021. In the event of a tie, the President retains the casting vote. The Secretary of the Jury does not hold voting rights.
2. Should the Jury believe it lacks the necessary competence to judge the merit of one or more works nominated to the BIAL AWARD IN BIOMEDICINE 2021, one or more experts may be consulted at the request of a simple majority of Jury members. The Jury shall appoint one (or more) of its members to contact any such expert(s).
3. The Jury is solely responsible for establishing its working method and decisions, although it must comply with the terms and conditions of this Regulation.
4. All decisions taken by the Jury within the scope of BIAL AWARD IN BIOMEDICINE 2021 and under this Regulation are final and binding and, therefore, cannot be appealed.

5. The BIAL Foundation reserves the right not to attribute the BIAL AWARD IN BIOMEDICINE 2021 in the event the Jury considers that none of the nominations submitted meet the necessary level of quality and scientific relevance required under this Regulation.

#### **Article 7 - EVALUATION AND AWARD ATTRIBUTION PROCESS**

1. The Jury shall inform the BIAL Foundation of the results of its resolutions to which article 6 above refers to by 31 of December 2021.
2. After receiving the decision mentioned in paragraph 1 of this article, BIAL Foundation will contact the author, in order to inform him/her that the BIAL AWARD IN BIOMEDICINE 2021 has been awarded to the work concerned.
3. In the event that the awarded work has more than one author, BIAL Foundation will contact the corresponding author (or equivalent designation) or the first author indicated in the nomination form if no corresponding author has been identified.
4. All the author(s) of the awarded work shall confirm, in writing, the acceptance or rejection of the BIAL AWARD IN BIOMEDICINE 2021 and of this Regulation, within the period and other relevant terms set forth by BIAL Foundation.
5. Without prejudice to the paragraph 4. of this article, should the winning work have more than one author, the corresponding prize shall be equally divided between all co-authors identified in the awarded work, unless otherwise unanimously agreed in writing by all co-authors, in which case the corresponding (or equivalent designation)/first author of the awarded work must inform the BIAL Foundation in writing of the criteria agreed by all co-authors within the deadline stipulated by BIAL Foundation.
6. The attribution and payment of the monetary prize for the awarded winner(s) are subject to Portuguese tax laws.

#### **Article 8 - AWARD-GIVING CEREMONY**

An Official Award-Giving Ceremony in which the results will be publicly announced will be held during the first quarter of 2022, barring exceptional circumstances. Members of the Jury and author(s) of winning work shall not disclose the results of the BIAL AWARD IN BIOMEDICINE 2021 until it is officially announced in the Award ceremony.

#### **Article 9 - NON-STIPULATED MATTERS**

Any matter not specifically set forth in this Regulation or any question which may arise in connection with this Regulation, shall be resolved by the Jury.

Portugal, Coronado (S. Romão e S. Mamede), 2020

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