



The Beagle Award 2022

To honor the scientific and social merits of PhD students.



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As Darwin was supported on his worldwide trip by his boat 'HMS Beagle' from 1831 to 1836, the BEAGLE AWARD is dedicated to support young scientists at the beginning of their careers. It is an appreciation of not only the scientific work and social commitments that are of importance to modern scientists.

The BEAGLE AWARD is bestowed by the PhD Student Board annually.

The award amounts to **1.500 €** in total.

Who can apply?

Every PhD student who has performed her/his work at the IPK and who has submitted her/his thesis at most two years ago (July 2020).

Submission deadline: July 15th, 2022

What will be evaluated:

Scientific qualification:

The quality of the scientific work of the applicant is evaluated according to publications, conference attendances (talks given and posters presented), successful performance of the PhD, individual initiatives and collaborations.

Social commitment:

The applicant proves voluntary social commitments both at the scientific (e.g. within IPK) and the personal (e.g. outside of IPK) level. The evaluation is based on the applicants' initiative to integrate or organize social networks (e.g., sport, literature club), support of friends and colleagues in different situations (collaboration, assistance).

Application strength:





The application will be evaluated by its structure, layout, style and orthography

How to apply:



Send a complete application (one pdf) in English including:

- an application letter (maximum two pages): It will act as an introduction to the jury and shows your personal and scientific development. Make clear why you deserve the Beagle Award. As most lives don't follow a straight, perfect plan, drawbacks, challenging situations and phases of self-critique can be part of your today's motivation as young scientists (optional).
- a curriculum vitae, including stations of your life that are relevant to the Beagle Awards' criteria.
- A list of all your publications, posters and conference talks during your PhD time with the following information:
 - All author names, title, journal, publishing date, DOI. For co-authored papers: Your contribution to the paper (short).
- Your path through the IPK graduate school: Your talks and workshops (given and taken)
- a recommendation letter (half-page) of a supervisor (group leader, mentor), which confirms your scientific and social dedication (employment reference style).
- An overview of your social activities and responsibilities at the IPK. Examples could be activities for the PhD board, the open door day, the organization of social events (sports, parties, cooking events, language groups, trips...) at the IPK, etc.
- An overview of your special responsibilities in the lab, like supervision (students, guest researchers, apprentices...), technical/security-related lab responsibilities

If applicable, additional information can include:

- Received awards
- Registered patents
- Education outside of the IPK Graduate Program, like summer schools or symposia
- Social contributions outside of IPK, like care for family members, engagement in clubs or associations, teaching activities.

Please direct your application to email address of the PhD Student Board via

students@ipk-gatersleben.de

You can also contact us in case of questions regarding the application process.





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