



Institut Mérieux - Infectious Diseases Association of Thailand (IDAT) joint award

Antimicrobial resistance (AMR) is a major public health issue worldwide. The Institut Mérieux and its entities have been committed for many years in the fight against AMR and improvement of antibiotic stewardship. In order to provide an incentive for promising young investigators working in the field of AMR, Institut Mérieux has decided to allocate several awards worldwide to researchers or clinicians at the beginning of their career in recognition of a major achievement having significant impact on the handling of AMR. To maximize the visibility of such an award, and ensure proper selection of the candidates, Institut Mérieux wishes to rely on the expertise of well-established associations working in the field of AMR in selected countries.

Selection criteria

- Investigators identified through the Infectious Diseases Societies or similar organizations.
- Serving in a hospital or in a relevant research institution in country on a full time basis as infectious diseases clinician, clinical or molecular Microbiologist or epidemiologist.
- With less than 15 years of either clinical practice experience or < 15 years of working experience in microbiology after their M.D / Ph.D.
- Involved and made significant contribution in AMR research and/or patient management in country.
- Indicators of impact could be either publication(s) in prominent international journals and / or implementation of guidelines / protocols having led to significant improvements in the following areas.
 - Antimicrobial resistance control.
 - Development of new tools / approach in controlling antimicrobial resistance.
 - Adoption of an innovative approach in patient management for controlling antimicrobial resistance.
 - Any actions having led to improved control / reduction of hospital acquired infection rate.

Selection process and Conditions.

- Applications for the award should reach IDAT on or before **25th September 2019**.
- For the award, please submit the completed application form **only in the provided format** with the authorization from the host institution where the nominee is working at the time of application. One set of all the documents should be send through email to annytk.idat@gmail.com
- Members of scientific council of IDAT will assess the applications and will choose **at least three suitable applications**, which will be forwarded to the scientific board of Institut Mérieux with their recommendations for the selection of the laureate. The Institut Mérieux keeps the possibility not to allocate any award if none of the proposal is meeting minimum qualification for the award.
- Institut Mérieux will notify IDAT the name of the laureate for the year 2019. IDAT will organize an award ceremony during its annual congress to be held in **October 2019**.
- In order to receive the award money, which is not exceeding €10,000 (Euro Ten thousand; €5,000 each), the institution hosting the laureate should engage an agreement with IDAT. The award money will be transferred only to the hosting institution of the laureate, and both IDAT and the host institution will hold responsibility for proper utilization of the fund for future research by the laureate.