

# **Academia Sinica Research Award for Junior Research Investigators**

## **Operating Guidelines and Procedures**

### **1. General information**

The purpose of the Award is to encourage junior researchers in Taiwan to publish papers that have the significance, innovation, and intellectual depth to make a lasting impact in their research fields. At most five awards are given annually in each of the following divisions of intellectual endeavors: Mathematics and Physical Sciences; Life Sciences; and Humanities and Social Sciences.

The winners will receive a certificate and a cash award of NT\$200,000. In addition, NT\$300,000 will also be granted for research expenditures to be used within two years following the receipt of the award.

The award can be shared by collaborators who have made the contribution jointly. In case there is more than one person sharing one award, each will receive a certificate. The research expenditure will also be increased by NT\$100,000 for each additional contributor.

The winners will be recognized at an open award ceremony presided by the President of Academia Sinica. Each awardee will make a presentation on his/her prize-winning work.

### **2. Application**

An individual may apply on-line personally by October 1<sup>st</sup>.

### **3. Review process**

- (a) For each of the three divisions, the President of Academia Sinica will appoint five to nine distinguished senior research investigators from within and outside of Academia Sinica to form a selection committee.
- (b) The Selection Committee will screen the applicants and nominees to obtain a short list of the most promising candidates.
- (c) For each candidate on the short list, the Committee will invite three

or four distinguished researchers in the corresponding research field to review the submitted publications.

- (d) Based on the reviews, the Committee will recommend the winners to the President of Academia Sinica for selection as finalists.

In the event of inconsistency between the English Guidelines and the Chinese version, the latter shall prevail.