**YOUPPIE Award**

The Young Pancreatologist Platform in Europe (YOUPPIE, the young talent group of the European Pancreatic Club ,EPC) award is an honorific appointment for young clinical or basic scientists with a brilliant career in the field of pancreatology.

The YOUPPIE award represents a recognition for important achievements in scientific research as well as for an expansion of scientific knowledge and for achievements in the application of scientific research work. It provides a basis for young pancreatologists for further progress in their research work and career.

The YOUPPIE awardees (a woman and a man) will be encouraged by the EPC for the application to the United European Gastroenterology (UEG) Rising Star Awards.

The YOUPPIE awardees will receive a three-year free membership to the EPC.

Application criteria:

Candidates for the YOUPPIE award must be researchers focused on the physiology or diseases of the pancreas and must be eligible for the next year´s UEG Rising star award. The latter condition implies that the candidate:

* Must be maximum 40 years of age at the time of application. You can add 2 years per child as main carer.
* Must be EPC member at the time of the application.
* Must show at least one publication as first, corresponding or last author in a journal that is ranked in Q1 of the Clarivate Ranking 2021 (JCR 2021).
* May be at any level but a full professor title will not be accepted.
* Must be able to give their talk at EPC in fluent English.

Application process:

Candidates need to supply/provide the following mandatory documents:

* Curriculum vitae (max. one A4 page)
* The YOUPPIE award form
* A document proving that they are members of the EPC

Award invitations and benefits:

To be awarded implies:

* Invitation to give a presentation during the YOUPPIE session of the EPC Annual Meeting ("The YOUPPIE Award Session“)
* Possibility for additional faculty tasks at the EPC Meeting (abstract reviewer, session chair etc.)
* Continuous cooperation with YOUPPIE and EPC for appropriate initiatives
* Three-year free membership to the EPC

All applications will be reviewed and scored by the EPC Council.

The applications should be sent to *the YOUPPIE coordinators at* ***youppiepancreas@gmail.com*.** You must receive a confirmation of receipt.

Scoring is based on the following criteria:

* **Up to 7 points**
	+ Publication quantity & quality
* **Up to 5 points**
	+ Other markers of esteem (e.g. prizes, awards, conference activity etc.)
	+ Evidence of independent research activity (last authorship, grant income, lab staff)
* **Up to 3 points**
	+ Academic training record including PhD and post-doctoral experience

Reviewers will refrain from scoring one or more applications in case of a conflict of interest (e.g. personal scientific links to the applicant).

Applications are ranked according to average scores and final awardees are confirmed in a consensus meeting of the EPC Council. There will be one or two YOUPPIE awards handed out per year.

The call for candidatures will be officially open from **March 15th until April 10th 2025.**

The applications will be evaluated by the EPC Council within 10 days after the application deadline. The winners will be announced on **April 25th.**

Awardees will deliver their talk at the EPC meeting in Dusseldorf at the YOUPPIE Award Session **the 3rd of July 2025.**