IHS Juniors Group

Annual Report 2021

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1) Virtual Mentoring Programme
As you know, Olivia has done an outstanding job with his. We received 24 applications from potential mentees and in the end Olivia paired 14 mentors and mentees based on their individual goals and interests. I am sure that this programme will be a success and that we will do it again next year (with more people from the group working on it).
We must remember to perform a mid-year checkpoint survey of mentor and mentee satisfaction as stated in the proposal.

2) Junior Research Grants
We have received 8 very good applications for the IHS Junior Research Grants (we will award two grants of EUR 10,000 each during IHC).
Nooshin and I are in the process of evaluating the applications together with Mario Peres and Aynur Özge.

Headache Science Excellence Tournament 2021

The Juniors Group is organising for the eight time the “Headache Science Excellence Tournament” which will be held virtually during IHC.

The Tournament aims to provide young scientists the opportunity to present their data during a short talk and discussion. Young scientists will not only benefit from sharing their research expertise, but will further improve their communication skills and expand their knowledge in the headache field. The Tournament will be carried out in two groups, one on clinical related research, and one on basic headache research.
We received a total of 110 abstracts for this tournament, which were reviewed in a blinded fashion by the Juniors Group. Six abstracts (3 clinical science and 3 basic science) have been selected for the tournament. The best clinical and basic science presentations, voted by the audience, will receive a trophy and a £500 award.

**Short stay peri-IHC scholarships**

due to the Covid-19 situation, we have decided to suspend applications for the Short-Stay scholarships for 2021.

On behalf of the Juniors Group
Anders Hougaard, Chair
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