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Dear Colleagues,

The journal *Brain Sciences* (MDPI, Switzerland, ISSN 2076-3425, <https://www.mdpi.com/journal/brainsci>) is inviting applications for the *Brain Sciences* 2021 “Best Ph.D. Thesis Award”. This prize will be awarded to three Ph.D. students who are about to graduate or participate in a graduation thesis. The applications will be assessed by an evaluation committee consisting of senior scholars from the *Brain Sciences* Editorial Board.

## **Eligibility Requirements:**

- The candidate must be a Ph.D. student who is going to graduate or participate in a graduation thesis defense.
- The Ph.D. thesis must be original work.
- The Ph.D. thesis must be defended between 1 February 2021 and 30 June 2022.
- Applicants are required to submit the following documents:
  - a. An executive summary of a Ph.D. thesis in English, around 3000 words.
  - b. A letter from a Ph.D. supervisor recommending the candidate for consideration for this award.
  - c. The candidate’s CV, including a list of publications connected with the thesis.
  - d. An electronic copy of the Ph.D. thesis.
  - e. A scanned copy of the Ph.D. diploma.

## **Selection Criteria:**

- Quality of resume and publications.
- Relevance of the candidate’s research description.
- Novelty of the candidate’s Ph.D. thesis.
- Strength of the recommendation letter.
- Anticipated academic potential.
- Originality and impact of the research.

## **Prizes**

Each of the winners will receive the following

- Bonus (500 CHF).
- Certificate.
- An offer to publish a featured paper in *Brain Sciences* with the article processing charge (APC) waived before the end of 2022.

The winners will be announced on the journal’s website in November 2022.

## **How to apply?**

- Please submit your application online.

The application deadline is 31 July 2022. The winner will be announced on the *Brain Sciences* website by the end of November 2022.

Please feel free to contact us at [brainsci@mdpi.com](mailto:brainsci@mdpi.com) with any questions.

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