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Dear Colleagues,

We are pleased to announce that the winners of the *Cancers* 2020 Young Investigator Awards are Dr. Lukas Bunse and Dr. Ylenia Perone.

Dr. Bunse is a postdoctoral researcher and a team leader at the Clinical Cooperation Unit Neuroimmunology and Brain Tumor Immunology, German Cancer Research Center, Germany. Dr. Bunse's research interests are in oncoimmunology, transgenic cell therapy, and vaccine development. He received his MD (Dr. med) in 2016 and his Ph.D. (Dr. rer. nat.) in 2020 and has an outstanding publication record, comprising 23 publications in peer-reviewed international journals and 2 international patents. Dr. Bunse's Scopus Scientific Citations number is 1390 and his Hirsch index is 12. He is clearly a rising star in the field of neuro-oncology. As a single applicant, Dr. Bunse has secured funding of more than EUR 1.4 million since 2018.

Dr. Perone MD, Ph.D., is a Clinical Research Fellow in Medical Oncology at the Imperial College London, UK. Dr. Perone's research interests range from clinical research and clinical trials to basic scientific research in the endocrine-related cancer field. Dr. Perone was awarded a prestigious Cancer Research UK (CRUK) Ph.D. Fellowship at Imperial College London and received her Ph.D. degree in 2020. Her research aimed to understand the interplay between epigenetics and lipid metabolism in endocrine therapy-resistant nuclear receptor-positive cancer. She is clearly a rising star in the field with an outstanding record of achievement for a young investigator at this stage of her career comprising ten publications in peer-reviewed international journals, two invited oral presentations at International Conferences, and twelve Awards and Prizes.

This is an outstanding achievement in today's competitive environment. Please join us in congratulating Dr. Bunse and Dr. Perone for their outstanding achievements.

As the awardee, Dr. Bunse and Dr. Perone will receive an honorarium of 2000 CHF, an offer to publish a paper free of charge before 2021 in *Cancers* after peer review, and an electronic certificate.

We would like to thank all the nominators and nominees from various fields of study for their participation and all the Award Committee Members for their evaluation of the many excellent nominations.

The following four nominees will be given a 15% discount on a paper to be published in *Cancers* in 2021.

- Dr. Arutha Kulasinghe, Queensland University of Technology, Australia
- Dr. John Charles Rotondo, University of Ferrara, Italy
- Dr. Mohamed Saad, Monash University, Australia

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