Reaxys PhD Prize Competition

Terms and Conditions

General


2. These official terms and conditions (“Rules”) apply to the Reaxys PhD Prize Competition (“PhD Promotion”) organized by Sponsor and detailed on Reaxys PhD Promotion website https://www.elsevier.com/solutions/reaxys/phdprize (“Website”). By submitting your Entry (as defined herein) to the PhD Promotion, Entrant warrants that he/she is eligible to participate in the PhD Promotion and agrees to be bound by the Rules, including decisions of the Panel, which are final on all matters pertaining to the PhD Promotion. The PhD Promotion is subject to all applicable national, regional, and local laws and regulations.

3. If for any reason, the PhD Promotion is not capable of being run as planned, the Sponsor and the Panel reserve the right, in its sole discretion, to cancel or amend all or any part of these Rules without prior individual notice to the Entrants. Any changes to the Rules, or cancellation of the PhD Promotion, will be posted on the Website. It is the responsibility of Entrants to keep themselves informed as to any changes to the Rules. In case of termination, suspension or cancellation of the PhD Promotion, Entrants will be notified using the e-mail address on record. If the Promotion is terminated early, the Sponsor reserves the right to select winners based on the Entries received prior to the termination date.

4. For the purpose of these Rules, Entry or Entries shall mean all information submitted for the Entrant via the link provided on the Website for the PhD Promotion including name, current university or company, email, supervisor name, supervisor email, PhD granting university, peer-reviewed paper, CV, supervisor recommendation letter submitted including (i) an overview of qualifications and details about achievements in the course of obtaining a PhD and (ii) a description of Entrant’s role in the research submitted, highlighting specifically Entrant’s contribution to the paper included in the application and other information requested on the Reaxys PhD Prize Promotion Website. Entrant shall mean the person who meets the eligibility requirements described below who is interested in participating in the PhD Promotion and submits an Entry.

PhD Prize Entrants

5. The PhD Promotion is open to individuals worldwide (excluding residents of Italy, Brazil, Quebec Canada, Cuba, Iran, Syria, North Korea, Sudan) who (a) have attained the age of majority at time of entry and (b) currently in a chemistry PhD program or who completed their chemistry PhD after 1 January 2018. Consideration is given to all areas of chemistry (e.g., organic, inorganic, physical, computational, theoretical); however, areas of synthetic chemistry (e.g., organic, inorganic, organometallic, coordination, medical, materials, and polymer chemistry) are emphasized. Employees of the Sponsor and their parent, subsidiary and affiliated companies, the Panel, and the immediate families and those living in the same household of the foregoing, are not eligible to enter. Entrants may be subject to rules imposed by their institution or employer relative to their participation in trade promotions and should check with their institution or employer for any relevant policies, and where prohibited or restricted by law.

6. Past entrants are allowed to enter again, provided the submitted peer reviewed paper is directly linked to their PhD thesis and features new and innovative research with respect to the paper submitted in prior year(s).

7. By entering the PhD Promotion, the Entrant warrants that all information submitted by him or her in his or her Entry is true, accurate and complete in every respect. Sponsor reserves the right to verify any information contained in his or her Entry and/or his or her eligibility to enter the PhD Promotion. Entrants may be required to provide proof of identity.

8. Entrants that engage in social media activity using the #ReaxysPhDPrize hashtag will in no way influence the review process or the final decision of the Panel.

9. Sponsor reserve the right in its absolute discretion to disqualify any entrant if it has reasonable grounds to believe that an entrant has breached any of the Rules, any applicable law or has otherwise infringed the intellectual property of any person. Each entrant acknowledges and agrees that any failure to comply with the Rules could lead to Sponsor disqualifying that person, without
Sponsor giving any reason for such disqualification or granting any opportunity for challenge.

PhD Prize Entries

10. All Entries must be made directly by the Entrant submitting the Entry through the Website. No changes may be made to an Entry once submitted. All Entries must be in English. Incomplete, illegible or garbled Entries will be disqualified.

11. Entries must be made during the Promotion Period and no later than the Closing Date and in the manner set out in the Rules. Failure to do so will result in disqualification. The Closing Date will be published on Elsevier’s websites.

12. Only one (1) Entry per person is permitted. In the event that Sponsor discovers or has reasonable grounds to believe that the same person has made multiple Entries, such person and any Entries made by them shall be disqualified and, if such Entrant has already been selected as a Prize winner, an alternative Prize winner will be selected as set forth below. All Entries become the exclusive property of Sponsor and will not be acknowledged or returned.

13. In the event that multiple Entries are received from a single research group or lab, only the first Entry received from such research group (which shall be determined by comparing PhD supervisor recommendations) will be deemed eligible.

Selection of Prize Winners

14. All eligible Entries will be reviewed by the PhD Promotion review committee (the “Panel”) by applying the following criteria:
   - Clarity of Thought & Completeness
   - Scientific (chemical) Tractability
   - Impact & Importance to field of expertise
   - Innovation & Originality
   - Supporting evidence of accomplishments

15. On or about June 15, 2019, the Panel will shortlist forty-five (45) finalists (each a “Finalist”) from all eligible Entries. The notification from Sponsor shall contain the information as to the Finalist status and if necessary, next steps.

16. On or about July 15, 2019, from that shortlist of forty-five (45) Finalists and applying the same judging criteria, the Panel will select ten (10) Entrants to give a presentation at the next Reaxys PhD Prize Symposium in October 2019. Sponsor will send notification to the respective finalists are invited to present at the next Reaxys PhD Prize Symposium where the prizes for the three (3) winners will be awarded

17. On or about October 3, 2019, three (3) winners will be selected by the Panel amongst the ten (10) Finalists invited to present at the Reaxys PhD Prize Symposium and notified by e-mail.

18. Decisions of the Panel are final and binding. This Promotion is a contest of skill. Entrants odds of winning depends on how well an Entry compares with others submitted to the PhD Promotion pursuant to the selection criteria.

19. All forty-five (45) finalists will receive access to the Reaxys Prize Club, which includes complimentary unlimited subscriptions to both Reaxys and Reaxys Medicinal Chemistry. Three (3) winners will receive a cash prize of $2000 US Dollars. All expenses including, but not limited to local, state, or federal taxes on the prize, are the sole responsibility of the winner who may elect to consult their own personal tax advisor as to the treatment of the prize for tax purposes. A winner will be required to provide his/her Social Security number or tax ID for tax reporting purposes as Sponsor will file an IRS Form 1099 with the Internal Revenue Service for the fair market value of prize. No prize will be awarded if Entrant has tried to influence the review process to her or his advantage.

20. Prizes are non-transferable and there is no alternative award. If a prize notification is returned as undeliverable, or if a potential winner does not return the signed claim forms within the required time, or is otherwise found to be ineligible or not in full compliance with these Official Rules, then the potential winner will be disqualified and an alternate winner will be selected based upon the judging criteria

Liability

21. Sponsor waives any liability for any damage, loss, injury or disappointment of any kind suffered by any entrant in entering the PhD Promotion, including because of any entrant winning or not winning any prize.

22. Sponsor, its parent, subsidiary or affiliated companies shall have any obligation, liability or responsibility with regard to (i) Entries that contain incorrect or inaccurate information or do not comply with these Official Rules, (ii) Entries, prize notifications that are lost, late, incomplete, illegible, unintelligible, damaged or otherwise not received by the intended recipient, in whole or in part, due to computer, technical or other error of any kind,
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If for any reason the PhD Promotion is not capable of being executed as planned, or by computer virus, bugs, tampering, unauthorized intervention, fraud, action of Entrants, technical failures or any other causes which in the opinion of the Sponsor, corrupt or affect the administration, security, fairness, integrity, or proper conduct of this PhD Promotion, Sponsor re-serves the right at its sole discretion to disqualify any suspect Entry or Entrant and to cancel, terminate, modify or suspend the PhD Promotion. In the event of any cancellation, termination or suspension, notice thereof will be posted at Website and the determination of the Promotion finalists and winners will be made per the submission requirements from among all eligible, non-suspect PhD Promotion Entries received as of the date of the termination, cancellation or suspension, as Sponsor determines in its sole discretion provided that in such circumstances Sponsor re-serves the right not to award any prizes.

Right to Use Entries and Use of Information

24. None of the Entries and information submitted by Entrants will be treated as confidential. Entrants further agree that personally identifiable information may be processed, stored, and otherwise used for the purposes of the PhD Promotion (including, but not limited to, checking participant’s identity, postal address, and telephone number, or to otherwise verify eligibility to participate) and the related Reaxys PhD Prize Symposium and other Reaxys PhD Promotion activities, and for all finalists, the Reaxys PhD Prize Club. The PhD Promotion is hosted by Sponsor and the personal data submitted on the Website is subject to the RELX Group privacy policy at http://www.relx.com/site-services/privacy.

25. By entering the PhD Promotion, participants grant Sponsor, the rights, without limitation or further permission or compensation to: (i) use and publish, display or distribute the Entry.

26. Prize winners’ full names, institutions, and city, state/province and country of residence and the title of their Entry will be announced and with their photograph, may be featured on the Website and other websites of the Sponsor, unconditionally agree to: (a) the use and publishing of their (i) name, (ii) one or more photographs of themselves, (iii) the title of the Entry submitted to By accepting a Prize, winners grant Sponsor, the additional rights to use and publish their photograph and their Entry. Rights granted by participants and winners are for advertising, publicity and promotional purposes are in perpetuity and in any medium Sponsor sees fit, including but not limited to website, television, radio or printed materials.

27. Individuals who subscribe to the Reaxys PhD Prize mailing list and all Entrants agree to receive email updates from the Sponsor relating to this PhD Promotion. Additionally, such individuals and Entrants may receive e-mails or other information from Sponsor from time to time. Only the information on record of the PhD Promotion will be used. If the recipient does no longer wish to receive such information and opt out Sponsor shall be informed accordingly in writing.

Governing Law and Jurisdiction

28. In the event of any dispute regarding the Rules, the conduct or results of the PhD Promotion, or any other matter relating to the PhD Promotion, the decision of Sponsor shall be final, and no correspondence shall be entered into, comment issued, or reason given in respect of any decision made by Sponsor.

29. The Rules and any dispute or claim arising out of or in connection with them or their subject matter...
(including the PhD Promotion), existence, negotiation, validity, termination or enforceability (including non-contractual disputes or claims) shall be governed by and construed in accordance with Dutch law with the exclusion of the conflict of laws rules.

30. The Courts at the registered business seat of Sponsor shall have exclusive jurisdiction in relation to any dispute or claim arising out of or in connection with the Rules or their subject matter, existence, negotiation, validity, termination or enforceability (including non-contractual disputes or claims).

Copies of these Rules and Communication

31. A copy of these Rules may be obtained by sending a stamped addressed envelope to: Reaxys PhD Prize Promotion, Elsevier, Radarweg 29, 1043NX Amsterdam, Netherlands. The same address or the email reaxysphdprize@elsevier.com shall be used for communication with the Sponsor.

Winner’s List. For the name of the finalists and winners visit the Website or send an email to reaxysphdprize@elsevier.com by December 31, 2019.