# Green Chemistry for Life

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### BACKGROUND

Nowadays **green chemistry** has become a target for cutting-edge research into **sustainable technologies**.

These technologies may reduce or eliminate the production and use of hazardous substances in mining, manufacture and application of chemical products, and may also lead to energy saving and a better environment and health.

Research in **green chemistry** and allied areas in biochemistry, geochemistry, biotechnology, ecology and healthcare give **young scientists** ample opportunity to demonstrate their inventiveness and provide important input to **sustainable development**.

With this in mind, the **Green Chemistry for Life** Project was launched in 2013 by **UNESCO's** International Basic Sciences Programme and **PhosAgro**, the largest producer of phosphate-based fertilizer globally, in close cooperation with the **International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry (IUPAC)**.



### PHOSAGRO



### RESEARCH AWARDS

- Generously funded by PhosAgro, PJSC, Moscow, Russia.
- Scientific support and expertise by IUPAC,
  Zürich, Switzerland.
- Administered by **UNESCO**, *Paris, France*.

Programme launched by the three partners as a follow-up to the International Year of Chemistry 2011.



### GRANT PROGRAMME

Aim: To support innovative research projects by young scientists that adhere to the 12 principles of green chemistry.

Who is eligible: Young scientists up to age 39 with a PhD degree (or equivalent) in

chemistry or similar areas.

Funding: > USD 2.5 million over six years to support annual research grants.

Founding partners: PhosAgro, UNESCO and IUPAC.





### TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR A GRANT PROGRAMME A CANDIDATE SHOULD:

(a) be a young scientist aged **39** (thirty-nine) or less;

(b) hold a PhD or equivalent in chemistry or an interdisciplinary allied area;

(c) have at least 3 (three) publications in recognized scientific journals; and

(d) a project proposal should have as its objective innovative research that advances green chemistry and use of the 12 principles of green chemistry.





### IMPORTANT FACTS

 An International Competition has been held each year since 2014.

• 6 General Awards are made each year.

- 1 Special Award for work on a project related to phosphogypsum has now been added since 2017.
- The International Jury meets at UNESCO headquarters in Paris in May each year.





### GRANT PROGRAMME

- Grant Programme has been a prospective and successful project.
- During five years attracted 600 applications from around the world.
- Extremely high standard with many applicants from the foremost institutes in their countries.
- 34 awards made to young scientists from 26 different countries.





### **March 2013**

PhosAgro and UNESCO signed a partnership agreement founding the Green Chemistry for Life grant programme.

### May 2014

An international jury reviewed 110 applications from young scientists around the world, selecting six research projects to receive grants.

### June 2015

Second round of grants selected from 119 applications, with six grants awarded to talented young scientists for their innovative projects.

### March 2016

PhosAgro, IUPAC and UNESCO launch special grant for research on uses for phosphogypsum, a byproduct of phosphate-based fertilizer production.

### March 2017

- An international jury reviewed 151 applications from young scientists around the world.
- Awarding of special grant for phosphogypsum.

### September 2018

97 applications had been reviewed. A record number of 9 scholars received grants for their research.

### January 2019

During the official Launch Ceremony of the International Year of Periodic Table (IYPT2019) at UNESCO headquarters in Paris an Agreement on the extension of the grant programme until 20022 was signed.





### Award Ceremony 2018

 International jury reviewed 97 applications from 72 countries

•9 Young scientists received grants for innovative research and development in the field of green chemistry

•The fifth round award ceremony was organized within the context of the 8<sup>th</sup> IUPAC International Conference on Green Chemistry in Bangkok





### The International Scientific Jury for Green Chemistry for Life comprises prominent chemistry

scientists, teachers and researchers. High level of the International Jury competence ensures an

unbiased and thorough examination of the received applications.

**JOHN CORISH (Ireland)** Prof., Chairman of International Scientific Jury, School of Chemistry, Trinity College, University of Dublin;

**SIROJ LOIKOV (Russia)** Deputy CEO for International Projects, PhosAgro;

NATALIA TARASOVA (Russia) Prof., Past President of IUPAC, Mendeleyev University of Chemical Technology;

VLADIMIR ZHAROV (France) Prof., Executive Secretary of the ISJ, UNESCO/PhosAgro Expert, Natural Sciences Sector;

**BERHANU ABEGAZ MOLLA (Ethiopia)** Prof., Member of the African Union Panel on Emerging Technologies, Past Chairperson of the Scientific Board of UNESCO's International Basic Sciences Programme;

SIMEON ANGUELOV (Bulgaria) Dr., Manager South Eastern Europe Network on Phytochemistry and Chemistry of Natural Products;

MICHAEL DROESCHER (Germany) Dr., Manager Cluster CHEMIE.NRW, Vice President German Chemical Society, Chair IUPAC Committee on Chemistry and Industry; **PIETRO ROSARIO TUNDO (Italy)** Prof., UNESCO Chair on Green Chemistry, Ca' Foscari University of Venice;

**DOGO SECK (Senegal)** Dr., Member of Academy of Science and Technology of Senegal;

**NICOLE MOREAU (France)** Prof., Member of ICSU Executive Board, Chairperson of the Scientific Board of UNESCO's International Basic Sciences Programme;

BORIS LEVIN (Russia) Dr., Deputy of CEO, PhosAgro;

JANUSZ PAWLISZYN (Canada) Prof., Editor, Analytica Chimica Acta, Canada Research Chair, Department of Chemistry, University of Waterloo;

**NGUYEN VAN HUNG (Vietnam)** Prof., Vice Rector of University of Sciences and Technology of Hanoi, Institute of Marine Biochemistry.



# FIRST ROUND WINNERS: 2014



Dr. Thibault Cantat France



Dr. Ning Yan Singapore



Dr. Juan Carlos Rodriguez-Reyes Peru



Dr. Anastasiya Hubina *Ukraine* 



Dr. Gasser Mohamed Khairy Mostafa Egypt



Dr. Sharifah Rafidah Wan Alwi Malaysia







Dr. Alexander Bissember Australia



Dr. Mehdi Mohammadi Iran



Dr. Daniele Leonori



Dr. Allan Prior South Africa



Dr. Natalia Quici Argentina



Dr. Svilen Simeonov Bulgaria



## THIRD ROUND WINNERS: 2016



Dr. Ahmed Shebl Elsayed Sayed Egypt



Dr. Ignacio Carrera Uruguay



Dr. Alsu Akhmetshina Russia



Pakistan



Dr. Enrico Ravera Italy



Dr. Wycliffe Chisutia Wanyonyi <sup>Kenya</sup>



# FOURTH ROUND WINNERS: 2017



Dr Ariel Marcelo Sarotti Argentina



Dr Shumaila Kiran Pakistan



Dr Maja Stanisavljevic Bosnia and Herzegovina



Dr Maria Ventura Sanchez-Hornero, Spian



Dr Mohamed Neifar Tunisie



Dr Damien Debecker Belgium



Dr Abosede Olufunso Olumide Nigeria



## FIFTH ROUND WINNERS: 2018



Elisa Souza Orth Brazil



Nadav Amdursky Israel



Yasmin Adam Ali Aburigal Sudan



Paltu Kumar Dhal



Gift Mehlana Zimbabwe



Muhammad Shahid Pakistan



Suhair Ziad Abed Alhameed Sunoqrot Jordan



Roya Sedghi Iran



**Joaquín García-Álvarez** *Spain* 







### **Basic Sciences**

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#### **Basic Sciences**

International Basic Sciences Programme

#### Chemistry

- + Green Chemistry for Life
- International Year of
- Chemistry
- Macromolecular Chemistry in Libya

Life Sciences

Mathematics

Physics

Engineering

### PhosAgro/ UNESCO/ IUPAC Partnership in Green Chemistry for Life



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#### Objectives

Over the course of 8 years, the project will offer research grants of up to US\$30,000 to scientists aged 39 and under with an innovative research project that respects the 12 principles of green chemistry, to help them implement their project.

In addition to seeking to harness talents of young scientists for the advancement of green chemistry and the use of its fruits, the Project sets out to raise awareness among decisionand policy-makers, industrialists and the public at large of the vast opportunities green chemistry offers to meet pressing societal needs.



#### Research grants for young scientists (2019)



The exhibition of PhosAgro/UNESCO/IUPAC Partnership in Green Chemistry at the Opening Ceremony of the International Year of the Periodic Table 2019

PhosAgro/UNESCO/IUPAC Green Chemistry research grants for young scientists The 6th call is open for young scientists until 31 August 2019.

#### PhosAgro/UNESCO/IUPAC Green Chemistry special grants for research projects on phosphogypsum

The call for this special grant for green chemistry research project on innovations in the processing and utilization of phosphogypsum is open for young scientists until 31 August 2019.

Apply

Previous editions 2018 | 2017 | 2016 | 2015 | 2014

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#### RELATED INFORMATION

#### Calls for applications

- > 2019 Research grants in green chemistry (6th call) - open until 31 August 2019
- 2019 Special grants for projects on phosphogypsum (4th call) - open until August 2019

How to apply

#### PhosAgro/ UNESCO/ IUPAC Partnership in Green Chemistry for Life

- Previous research grants 2018 2017 2016 2015 2014
- News, announcements > 2018 Green Chemistry for Life research grants
- > 2017 Green Chemistry for Life research grants
- > 2016 Green Chemistry for Life research grants
- > 2015 Green Chemistry for Life research grants
- Six young scientists receive Green Chemistry for Life research grants in 2014

Twelve Principles of Green Chemistry

#### International Scientific Jury

- Chair & Members of the ISJ
- Monitoring Bureau











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This initiative aims to provide support to young scientists working in the field of green chemistry. Every year the Postgraduate Summer School on Green Chemistry creates a platform for promotion of innovative and technologically advanced projects, discussion of topical issues, sharing best practices and experience, networking and establishing scientific cooperation, and creating a solid theoretical and practical base.

### **Project Information:**

- In 2018, 68 Selected post-graduated attendees and 30 teachers coming from 38 different countries participated in the Summer School in Venice. took part in the IUPAC Postgraduate Summer School on Green Chemistry at the University of Venice Ca' Foscari.
- The IUPAC Postgraduate Summer School's academic program focused on the 17 UN sustainable development goals.

### **Project status:**

- From May 12 to 19, 2019, the second educational session of the Summer School on Green Chemistry was held at the premises of the State University of Dar es Salaam, Tanzania.
- PhosAgro is the official partner and sponsor of the IUPAC Postgraduate Summer School on Green Chemistry. The financial contribution to support the summer school in Tanzania amounted to \$ 10,000.
- PhosAgro's funds were used to finance projects of promising young scientists from African countries.



### **ΦΟCΑΓΡΟ**<sup>®</sup>

**IUPAC FOR AFRICA** Postgraduate Summer School on Green Chemistry Inspired by IUPAC Centenary and the International Year of the Periodic Table Celebrations 12<sup>th</sup> - 19<sup>th</sup> May 2019, Dar es Salaam, Tanzania

















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# Thank you for your attention!

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