



ZENDAL

II International  
ZendalAwards

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## 1. Zendal Group

Zendal is a Biopharmaceutical Group made up of 6 leading companies in biotechnology for human and animal healthcare.

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## 2. Notification

Zendal's mission is to bring about improvement to the conditions of life through the research and development of medicines and vaccines focused on the prevention of illnesses, as much in humans as in animals.

Zendal Group identifies itself with the principles of One Health and works towards contributing to a healthier planet through biotechnology research, the driving force of sustainability.

Within this framework the International Zendal Awards II edition will be held whose aim is to spread, promote and reward knowledge and research in the field of biotechnology worldwide.

In light of the facts arising from the SARS-CoV-2 pandemic, a new scenario is presented, where innovation and entrepreneurship can contribute an important role to meet the challenges from the current situation. That is why in this edition of the Awards, uniquely, a Special Mention category will be included for new initiatives aimed at providing solutions in the fight against the coronavirus.

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## 3. Categories

The International Zendal Awards were set up with the intention of recognising the work of those institutions, public or private, that develop their work in the field of animal as well as human health, and that have shown merit and commitment in carrying out these principles, within the areas related to vaccines, prevention, biotechnology and the concept of One Health.

There are 2 categories of Awards:

- The human healthcare Award: in the form of a donation to a public or private institution (University, Government body, N.G.O., Foundation, Research Institute...) that contributes to improve the human welfare within the field of healthcare and disease prevention.
  - The animal healthcare Award: in the form of a donation to a public or private institution (University, Government body, N.G.O., Foundation, Research Institute...) that contributes to improve the animal welfare within the field of healthcare and disease prevention.
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## 4. Assessment criteria for the category awards

The judging panel will take into account the Scientific-Technical quality of the projects that are presented, as well as their viability and feasibility

Special consideration will be given to those nominations that contribute significantly to:

- Biotechnology research
- Knowledge transfer
- Innovation/Social transformation
- Healthcare

Furthermore, in order to guarantee that the winners are selected by the most objective and impartial manner, the following qualities will be considered:

- The scientific and innovative importance of the research
- The project's feasibility
- The applicability of the findings
- The contribution to improving lives in terms of progress and welfare

## 5. Tribute

Tribute Award: The recognition of the professional career of a person who has contributed, through their own work and merits in the scientific field, to the development of vaccines, disease prevention, biotechnology and the One Health concept, either in human or animal welfare.

## 6. Special Mention

In this edition of the Awards, uniquely, a Special Mention Award will be made to the best innovative project in the fight against the coronavirus.

## 7. Candidature registration

**Application form:** The submission of nominations should be written in Spanish and English through the official form, filling it in from the website: [www.zendal.com](http://www.zendal.com)

**Letter of support:** The applicants can be endorsed by a letter of support by the head of the research project or a relevant person related to universities, hospitals or research centres.

**Research project:** All the applications should be accompanied by a memory of the research project presented, finished or in process, in Word format to a maximum of 5 pages long.

**Additional information:** The candidates can also send supporting and collaborative material that they think appropriate to be included in their own form. Such information will be used by the judging panel in the case that they need further information or to clarify doubts, this will in no way be used in a decision making way as it is not deemed obligatory.

The applicants who have not won awards in previous editions can apply to be nominated.

The Awards committee is committed to maintaining the confidentiality of all data and will not reveal the identity of the nominees until the judging panel has given its decision.

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## 8. Judging Panel

The judging panel consists of an International Scientific Committee made up of prominent figures from the area of biotechnology and health, as well as the President and Secretary (without voting rights) of Zendal Group.

### The judging panel's decision:

**A Simple Majority:** The final decision on the Awards in each category will be conducted by a simple majority. Only one applicant per category will be given an award. The President of the judging panel will have the casting vote in the case of a draw.

**Rigour:** The judging panel is responsible for the nominees' suitability. The judging panel will act at all times with rigour, independence and fair play.

**Vacant Awards:** In the case that none of the nominees comply with the requirements and objectives of the Awards, the judging panel can come to the decision to announce the Awards as void.

**The interpretation of the rules:** The judging panel is authorized to resolve, along with the Zendal Group's Management, any questioning of the interpretation of the rules that may arise.

The judging panel's decision will be formally announced on the website: [www.zendal.com](http://www.zendal.com) in the month of October 2020.

The judging panel's decision is final.

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## 9. Inscription Dates

Registration and submission of the nominations should be carried out between the 20th of July and the 23th of October at 23:59 time in Spain. (A time extension is possible)

The Judging Panel's decision will be given during the month of October, when the prizewinners of this edition will be contacted.

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## 10. Prizegiving Ceremony

The prizegiving ceremony will be celebrated in a public act during the month of November.

### Value of the prizes:

15,000 € in each category, that should be re-invested in the winning project.

The Tribute Award and Special Mention Award consist of a Prize and an Accredited Diploma. These awards will not be monetary.

Prizewinners will be expected to participate in parallel activities organised throughout the event, as well as authorising Zendal Group to broadcast all the information corresponding to these awards.

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## 11. Acceptation and Special Conditions

Submitting an application does not exempt anyone from the possibility of being able to participate in future editions.

Candidatures herein presented imply acceptance of the bases.

Zendal Group reserves the right to partially or totally cancel the competition, if necessary, due to causes beyond its control, without such a cancellation bearing any responsibility on the company.

Any queries related to the Awards should be sent by e-mail to:

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