

## “CIBER-BBN Julio San Roman Award 2026”

### INTRODUCTION

The CIBER-BBN Julio San Román award 2026 aims to recognize and encourage outstanding research by young researchers within CIBER-BBN, in the fields of Bioengineering, Biomaterials, and Nanomedicine. This award highlights research contributions with a strong international impact and a clear emphasis on collaboration.

The awardee will receive:

- A certificate of recognition.
- An economic award of 2.000 € (expenses associated with a cost center supporting the awardee’s research advancement).
- Full coverage of travel and accommodation expenses to attend the Annual CIBER-BBN Meeting, which will take place in El Escorial on 19-20 November 2026.
- An invitation to present their research during the Annual CIBER-BBN conference.

### ELEGIBILITY CRITERIA

- To be a member of a CIBER-BBN group. The candidate must have been a CIBER-affiliation for at least two years and have published with CIBER affiliation.
- To have defended their first PhD thesis no more than 10 years prior to the application deadline. To ensure fairness and account for circumstances that may impact research careers, applicants may claim an extension of the eligibility period in the following cases: maternity (18 months per child), paternity or parental leave (full documented duration), long-term illness, compulsory military service, documented care responsibilities for dependents, pregnancy-related risks, temporary incapacity, reduced working hours, with periods accumulative if they do not overlap.
- The candidate's research needs to have clear international dimension and have contributed to the knowledge in the fields of Bioengineering, Biomaterials and/or Nanomedicine through basic, experimental and/or clinical research, where priority will be given to CIBER collaboration.
- Eligible merits are only considered of original research published, or at least accepted, in peer-reviewed international scientific journals, edited monographs and specialized books, patents and intellectual property, awards and bioengineering, biomaterials or biomedicine science dissemination activities.

### APPLICATION PROCESS

Application must include the following documents, written in English, and submitted in a single PDF file to [premios@ciber-bbn.es](mailto:premios@ciber-bbn.es)

- Curriculum Vitae (max. 4 pages)
- A motivation letter (max. 1 page)
- DNI / NIE / passport
- Copy of the PhD defense certificate of the first doctoral thesis

The deadline for applications will be: **May 31, 2026**



## SELECTION CRITERIA

Applications will be evaluated according to the following criteria:

- 1.- Innovation and Originality (15%).** The extent to which the work introduces novel approaches, methods, or ideas in bioengineering, biomaterials, or nanomedicine, demonstrating creativity and originality in addressing complex challenges.
- 2.- Scientific Excellence (30%).** The quality, rigor, and robustness of the research by the candidate with a solid scientific foundation. Demonstrated participation within the CIBER framework will be considered an asset.
- 3.- Impact and Relevance (15%).** The potential of the work to significantly advance knowledge, achieve international recognition, or address critical challenges in health and medicine.
- 4.- Interdisciplinary Collaboration (30%).** The degree to which the work led by the candidate integrates concepts, techniques, or teams from multiple disciplines, showing evidence of effective collaboration among scientists, engineers, and clinicians. Demonstrated participation within the CIBER framework will be considered an asset.
- 5.- Practical and Translational Potential (10%).** The feasibility of translating research into real-world applications, such as products, therapies, or technologies.

## SELECTION PROCESS AND RESOLUTION

The committee responsible for evaluating the submitted applications and participating in the final discussion panel will be composed by a researcher panel previously selected by the steering committee without any conflict of interest (SAB, CD or even IPs from CIBER-BBN)

The resolution will be announced three months after the final submission date

## DATA PROTECTION

### Data Controller

**Consorcio Centro de Investigación Biomédica en Red (CIBER)**, Tax ID G-85296226, registered address at Avda. Monforte de Lemos 3-5, Pabellón 11, Ground Floor, 28029 Madrid, Spain.

### Data Protection Officer (DPO)

Olga María Martínez Rodríguez. Contact: [datos@ciberisciii.es](mailto:datos@ciberisciii.es)

### Purposes of the Processing

Your personal data will be processed for the following purposes:

- To evaluate the scientific merits, research career, and international impact of award applicants.
- To manage the selection process: reviewing applications, communicating with candidates, and announcing the award decision.

- To fulfil the obligations arising from the award: issuing the certificate of recognition, processing the monetary award payment, and covering travel and accommodation expenses for attendance at the Annual CIBER-BBN Conference.
- To publish the name and basic information of the award recipient at the Annual CIBER-BBN Conference and through CIBER's institutional communication channels.
- To maintain a scientific archive of awarded projects and candidates.

### Legal Basis for the Processing

- **Article 6(1)(e) GDPR** — Processing necessary for the performance of a task carried out in the public interest (management and resolution of the award).
- **Article 9(2)(j) GDPR** — Processing necessary for scientific research purposes (evaluation of scientific contributions).
- **Article 6(1)(a) GDPR** — Consent of the data subject, where applicable, for the publication of their name and image through CIBER's communication channels.

### Data Processed

Name and surname, identity document (national ID, NIE, or passport), curriculum vitae, motivation letter, publications and scientific contributions, doctoral degree certificate, bank details (solely for the purpose of processing the monetary award payment), and documentation related to travel and conference attendance.

### Recipients

Personal data may be disclosed to:

- The award evaluation committee, composed of researchers with no conflict of interest, appointed by the CIBER-BBN Steering Committee.
- CIBER itself, for administrative and accounting purposes.
- The organisers of the Annual CIBER-BBN Conference, to the extent strictly necessary to manage the award recipient's participation.
- Banking entities and payment service providers, to the extent necessary to process the award payment.

### International transfers

No transfer of personal data outside the European Economic Area (EEA) is anticipated. Should any member of the evaluation committee be based outside the EEA, such a transfer will be carried out with the appropriate safeguards set out in Chapter V of the GDPR, details of which are available upon request from the DPO.

### Retention Period

Personal data will be retained for the duration of the award process and, thereafter, for a period of five (5) years in order to comply with applicable tax, accounting, and legal obligations. Data relating to the award recipient that forms part of the institutional scientific archive may be retained indefinitely in the context of CIBER's research activities.

### Rights of Data Subjects

You may exercise your rights of access, rectification, erasure, restriction of processing, data portability, and objection by contacting the DPO through:

- **Email:** [datos@ciberisciii.es](mailto:datos@ciberisciii.es)



- **Post:** Avda. Monforte de Lemos 3-5, Pabellón 11, Ground Floor, 28029 Madrid, Spain. For the attention of the Data Protection Officer.

Your request must be accompanied by a copy of your identity document or by any other means that enable verification of your identity.

#### **Right to Lodge a Complaint with the Supervisory Authority**

If you believe that the processing of your personal data does not comply with applicable data protection legislation, you have the right to lodge a complaint with the Spanish Data Protection Agency (Agencia Española de Protección de Datos — AEPD) via its electronic headquarters at [www.aepd.es](http://www.aepd.es), or by post at: C/ Jorge Juan, 6, 28001 Madrid, Spain.