

# Merck Young Scientist Award 2009 Entry Form

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Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Gender: Male / Female

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Full address of academic institution ( including department & faculty ):

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Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Publication title: \_\_\_\_\_

Areas of research: Biosciences (  ) Chromatography (  )

Name of the journal: \_\_\_\_\_

Impact factor of the journal in 2007: \_\_\_\_\_

How did you come to know about this award? You may tick more than one.

(  ) Newspaper (  ) Poster (  ) Leaflet (  ) Internet

(  ) Merck sales personnel (  ) Supervisors / Friends

(  ) Others, please specify: \_\_\_\_\_

I have read and understood the official rules of the Merck Young Scientist Award 2009 in its entirety. I agree to abide by the decisions of judges, which are final and binding in all respects. All information contained herein is true and accurate. By signing below, I grant Merck Sdn Bhd and sponsors the rights to use my name, photograph, video tape or likeness of me, and statements made by or attributed to me relating to the award and / or my submitted publication, for any legal purposes including, without limitation to, advertising, publicity, and other commercial purposes, in any and all forms of media, including the internet, without further compensation.

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Applicant's signature

Endorsement by project supervisor / head of department / dean

I certify that the applicant is a bonafide student of the college / university in Year 2007 or Year 2008. I certify that the information submitted pertaining to this application is true and correct based on the college / university records.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date and Stamp:

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## Introduction

With a tradition of over three hundred and thirty years, Merck, a multinational corporation based in Germany, is today the world's oldest pharmaceuticals and chemicals company, operating globally in 61 countries with research & development and production facilities spread across Europe, Americas and Asia.

At Merck, we subscribe strongly to the importance of innovation for the long-term development of our company. We believe this applies to a country equally. Whilst, innovation can be instituted in many different ways and forms, it is generally viewed that research often forms the seed for future innovations. As a corporate citizen of the country, Merck wants to encourage research development in Malaysia, particularly home-grown researches in areas of national interest - thus the initiation of the Merck Young Scientist Award (MYSA) programme.

The MYSA programme was first initiated in 2008 to encourage and honour home-grown research and development excellence in the field of Bioscience. For the 2009 competition, Merck has broadened the field of interest to include the use of advance Chromatography technology in scientific research applications. This means there will be parallel competitions for Bioscience research and Chromatography application under the MYSA umbrella.

Despite being a private corporate undertaking, the initiative has received the endorsements and support from the Ministry of Science, Technology and Innovation (MOSTI), the Ministry of Higher Education (MOHE) and the Malaysian Institute of Chemistry (IKM). A selection of distinguished opinion leaders from elite universities in Malaysia have accepted to sit on the panel of judges together with established specialists from Merck. Thus, the judging is expected to be demanding high both in standard and quality.

Do not miss this opportunity to be the 2009 Merck Young Scientist! Note the closing date for the competition and send in your entries by then.

## Eligibility and How to Enter?

1. Open to all Malaysian citizens.
2. Candidate has to be a postgraduate student (Masters or PhD) of any institute of higher learning, in Malaysia in Year 2007 or 2008.
3. Papers or publication submitted must be published or accepted for publication in a scientific journal Year 2008, in the following research fields:

**Biosciences** – *Proteomics, protein expressions, signal transduction & disease-related research.*

**Chromatography** – *Innovation discovery through high performance liquid chromatography especially in natural product analysis, drug discovery, food technology, vaccine purification & environmental analysis.*

4. Each candidate is allowed to submit one application in one category only.
5. Application must be endorsed by the research project supervisor, head of department or dean.
6. Application must be submitted together with the publication and official MYSA 2009 application leaflet (photostated application leaflet allowed), via post to Merck Sdn Bhd or e-mail to [mysa@merck-de.com.my](mailto:mysa@merck-de.com.my). For papers which have been accepted for publication in 2008, please also attach a copy of the approval notice as a proof of its future publication.
7. Every application will receive an acknowledgement email from Merck upon receipt of entry.
8. The entry form can be downloaded from the following websites:
  - i. [www.merck.com.my](http://www.merck.com.my)
  - ii. [www.mosti.gov.my](http://www.mosti.gov.my)
  - iii. [www.mohe.gov.my](http://www.mohe.gov.my)
  - iv. [www.ikm.org.my](http://www.ikm.org.my)
9. Deadline of submission: **30th June 2009**. Incomplete forms, late entries or candidates that do not meet the entry requirements will be disqualified.

## Judging & Selection:

1. Five candidates will be short-listed based on the originality and quality of their publications.
2. Short-listed candidates will be required to make an oral presentation before the panel of judges, for decision on the winners.
3. The presentation of the award will be held in an award ceremony tentatively planned in October 2009.
4. The panel judges' decision is final.
5. Merck reserves the right to vary the number and / or amount of the awards at its absolute discretion without prior notice.

## Prizes:

	<i>Biosciences</i>	<i>Chromatography</i>
1st prize	RM5,000 cash + MYSA Trophy	RM5,000 cash + MYSA Trophy
2nd prize	RM3,000 cash	RM3,000 cash
3rd prize	RM1,500 cash	RM1,500 cash

*(All winners will receive a certificate of acknowledgement)*

Please send your application leaflet and publication to:

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