
Hygiene-Award of the

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In 2026, the Rudolf Schülke Foundation will once again present its Hygiene Prize in recognition of outstanding scientific work in the fields of

HYGIENE - INFECTION PREVENTION - PUBLIC HEALTH

Original papers (not reviews, editorials, letters) dealing with the prevention and control of communicable diseases are welcome.

Scientific papers on the development and practical implementation of hygiene strategies for infection prevention and control and their relevance to patient safety and public health will be considered.

Research exploring the correlation between these interventions and patient safety is highly encouraged, as are studies focusing on the impact on public health. Projects incorporating aspects of sustainability in prevention and control strategies are of particular interest.

Each applicant may submit only one original article. To be eligible, the work must have been published in German or English in an international peer-reviewed scientific journal after [January 1, 2023](#), and be indexed in PubMed.

The award is endowed with [€ 15,000](#), and will be presented during a formal award ceremony. In exceptional cases, the award may be shared between two recipients. The decision will be made by a jury composed of members of the Board and Scientific Advisory Council of the Rudolf Schülke Foundation. All decisions are final and not subject to legal appeal.

Applicants are requested to submit their work as a pdf file, including a cover letter, via email to rss@schuelke.com no later than [October 10, 2025](#).

Faculty members and representatives of academic or research institutions are also warmly encouraged to nominate suitable candidates. Nominations may be submitted to the same email address.