



## 2019 Sofja Kovalevskaja Awards granted

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Six talented young international researchers will receive up to 1.65m euros each in award money with which to establish their own working groups in Bochum, Duisburg-Essen, Cologne, Constance, Münster and Regensburg.

The Alexander von Humboldt Foundation has selected six talented international researchers aged between 28 and 36 for one of the highest-valued research awards in Germany. The award winners will receive up to 1.65m euros each.

The Sofja Kovalevskaja Award provides junior researchers with risk capital for innovative projects in an early phase of their careers. They will conduct research for five years at German universities and research institutions and establish own working groups at their host institutes. The award is funded by the Federal Ministry of Education and Research.

The newly selected award winners are:

- Tonni Grube Andersen: The hidden life of plants  
Denmark/Switzerland; cell and developmental biology of plants; Max Planck Institute of Plant Breeding Research, Cologne, Department of Plant-Microbe Interactions
- Joshua Philip Barham: Breaking new ground in synthesis chemistry  
United Kingdom/Japan; organic molecular chemistry/electrochemistry; University of Regensburg, Institute of Organic Chemistry
- Jan De Graaf: A pan-European view of the post-war period  
Netherlands/Belgium; recent and modern history; Ruhr University Bochum, Institute for Social Movements
- Angelo Di Bernardo: Innovative materials for the quantum computers of the future  
Italy/United Kingdom; experimental condensed matter physics; University of Constance, AG Mesoscopic Systems
- Doris Hellerschmied: Stress in cells  
Austria/USA; theoretical philosophy, biochemistry; University of Duisburg-Essen, Centre of Medical Biotechnology
- Ottaviano Ruesch: How did it all begin?  
Switzerland/Netherlands; geology; University of Münster, Institute of Planetology

### Further reading:

- Alexander von Humboldt Foundation: (16.08.19): [Sofja Kovalevskaja Award 2019 – Award Winners](#)

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