HEIDELBERG, 12 November 2014 – EMBO announced today the selection of 27 young researchers as EMBO Young Investigators. The scientists join a network of 342 current and past Young Investigators who represent some of the best young group leaders contributing to research in Europe and beyond.

“The status of EMBO Young Investigator helps researchers under the age of 40 build their first independent teams and achieve a level of recognition that offers immediate benefits,” says Gerlind Wallon, Manager of the Young Investigator Programme. “The networking activities provide an additional layer of support for the young researchers.”

This year the programme received 202 applications. Thirteen per cent of the candidates who applied were selected and the new investigators originate from 11 countries.

The Young Investigator Programme provides support for researchers who have established their first laboratories in the past four years. The researchers receive a range of benefits, including an award of 15,000 Euros and the opportunity to apply for additional funds to help start their first independent research laboratories. Laboratory management and non-scientific skills training as well as PhD courses offer the young group leaders and their students the chance to develop professional skills. The scientists also receive access to core facilities at EMBL and funding for themselves and their group members to attend conferences.

The next application deadline is 1 April 2015. More information can be found at http://www.embo.org/funding-awards/young-investigators.
2014 EMBO Young Investigators

Gad Asher, Israel
Petr Broz, Switzerland
Felipe Cortès Ledesma, Spain
Filippo Del Bene, France
Mads Gyrd-Hansen, United Kingdom
Mario Halic, Germany
Sebastian Hiller, Switzerland
Michael Hothorn, Switzerland
Jan Huisken, Germany
Claudine Kraft, Austria
François Leulier, France
Hai-Kun Liu, Germany
Massimiliano Mazzone, Belgium

Yuki Nakamura, Taiwan
Lionel Navarro, France
Caren Norden, Germany
Diego Pasini, Italy
Lori Passmore, United Kingdom
Michael Potente, Germany
Halyna Shcherbata, Germany
Maria Teresa Teixeira, France
Kristin Tessmar-Raible, Austria
Ines Thiele, Luxembourg
Steven West, United Kingdom
Thomas Wollert, Germany
Philip Zegerman, United Kingdom
Johannes Zuber, Austria

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