Umicore Materials Technology
PhD Award 2018

Art. 1. On the initiative of Umicore, the Research Foundation – Flanders (FWO) and the Fund for Scientific Research-FNRS (F.R.S.-FNRS) will grant in 2018 the **Umicore Materials Technology PhD Award** for an original contribution in one of the following fields:
- Materials for Emission Catalysis
- Battery Materials

Art. 2. This award amounts to **10,000 EUR** and will be granted to a researcher having obtained his **PhD between January 1, 2016 and December 31, 2017** from a recognized university (worldwide).

Art. 3. The award will be granted on the basis of the recommendations of an independent jury of scientific experts, appointed by FWO and F.R.S.-FNRS, and following an evaluation procedure in two stages. The first stage consists of a jury review of all applications, in which the highest-ranking candidates will be shortlisted. In a second stage, shortlisted candidates will be invited to present their research to a joint evaluation committee of the scientific jury and representative members of Umicore R&D staff (a videoconference interview possible if presence at jury meeting is not feasible). From this second stage of the evaluation the final laureate will eventually be chosen.

Art. 4. The joint jury committee may decide not to grant the prize. This decision will not affect the dates for granting subsequent awards.

Art. 5. Any questions concerning the applications and the awarding of the prize will be settled in a final and binding manner by the FWO.

Art. 6. Umicore, in consultation with the award winner, has the right to publish the work receiving the award, mentioning the name and the position of the author. Whenever the awarded work is published, the Umicore Materials Technology Award must be acknowledged.

Art. 7. Candidates must be in a position to interact freely with Umicore.

Art. 8. No present or former employee of Umicore or its branches is eligible for the award. Likewise any research carried out in collaboration with Umicore cannot be taken into consideration.

Art. 9. Applications, written in English, have to be submitted using the appropriate form by Monday **September 17, 2018** at the latest (UTC+1). The application form, an executive summary of max. 5 pages emphasizing the originality of the research, a summary in layman’s terms, an electronic version of the PhD thesis and a curriculum vitae have to be submitted via email to **prijzen@fwo.be**.