

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

OTTO SCHOTT RESEARCH AWARD

In 2026 the Ernst-Abbe-Fonds will be presenting 19th Otto Schott Research Award. Since 1991 the prize honours biannually excellent researchers for their scientific and technological achievements in basic and applied research in the fields of glass, glass-ceramic and related advanced materials.

The Otto Schott Research Award is awarded for individual achievements, but also the work done by smaller groups. It is endowed with a total of 25,000 euros.

Scientists from universities, non-university research institutes and industrial research institutions worldwide are eligible. Candidates can be nominated by an internationally renowned scientist or engineer. Moreover, self-applications are allowed, but must be accompanied by a letter of support.

Central criteria for the awarding of the prize are the candidate's scientific activity in recent years, the quality and originality of his/her original scientific publications, and the extent how he/she has influenced the research field.

The board of trustees of the Ernst-Abbe-Fonds is responsible for selecting the laureates. It will base its decision on the recommendations of a prize jury which is composed of internationally renowned material scientists. The board's decision is final.

Each application/nomination should include:

- the candidate's five top ranked and/or most influential publications in the field of glass sciences or related fields;
- one or more letters of support from outstanding scientists acknowledging the candidate's scientific achievements;
- metrics (h-index) of scientific activity over the last 5 years;
- a list of other activities that highlight the candidate's scientific impact (e.g. prizes, peer review, editorships, committee functions);
- the candidate's curriculum vitae.

Applications should be submitted only via [this website](#) until
1 October 2025.



(link to website)

If you have any questions please contact

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For further information on the award please refer to www.otto-schott-research-award.de.