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GROUP 1: 6 BURSARIES FOR 1ST YEAR PHD STUDENTS

6 bursaries of EUR 3000 each will be awarded to selected 1st year PhD students

Criteria	Description
Eligibility	Projects must be designed for the award of PhD or equivalent. The applicant must be enrolled in any European university/institute (in any of the 35 European countries including 27 European Union countries, Iceland, Norway, Serbia, Switzerland, Turkey, Ukraine and UK) for his/her PhD study. Projects must have started between October 31, 2025 and October 30, 2026. The applicant should not be already sponsored by, and/or bound to, a commercial organization.
Student	Can be from any scientific background but one aim of the bursaries is to attract people who have not studied Food Chemistry, Food Science or Food Technology to study food flavors. Projects do not have to be restricted to scientific aspects, but can also cover other features of flavor science such as business policy, marketing, legislation, consumer impact, etc.
Novelty	A brief summary of the work should clearly state the background to the project, the hypotheses to be tested, and explain the novelty of the work and its potential to further understanding of flavor science
Interdisciplinary	Projects that involve training the student in more than one scientific discipline will be favoured.
Experimental design and data analysis	All projects should describe appropriate methodology for experimental design and data analysis.
Language	English.
Registration	All documents should be countersigned by the Professor concerned. Only an electronic version of the project will be accepted. Evidence of enrolment between October 31, 2025 and October 30, 2026 at the university/institute should accompany the documents. **Deadline: October 30, 2026**
Evaluation	Complete evaluation of first year candidates will take place from November – December 2026 to select the 6 candidates for the bursary **Results will be announced on December 21, 2026**
Bursary	The **one-off bursary of EUR 3000 will be awarded during 2027 to the 6 selected first year PhD students**. Bursary payment(s) will be based on research-related invoices countersigned by the respective professors. Invoices can relate to expenses such as purchases of equipment, databases, participation in conferences, visits to laboratories, etc. Any part of the bursary not claimed by December 31, 2027 will be handed over to the respective department of the university/institute. The 6 winning 1st year PhD students will be offered the opportunity of visiting the laboratory of a selected sponsor company in their second year of studies. Bursary winners will also be expected to submit mid and year end short summaries of research progress, due June 30, 2027 and December 31, 2027 respectively.
Submission	All relevant documents should be sent electronically to: **phdapplications@giract.com**

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APPLICATION FORM FOR GROUP 1 STUDENTS
BURSARY FOR 1ST YEAR PHD STUDENTS IN FLAVOR RESEARCH

Please complete this form and send it electronically, with an electronic copy of the thesis summary, by the closing date of
October 30, 2026 to:
phdapplications@giract.com

Name of PhD student

Postal address

Email address

University/Institute (name and address)
where PhD studies will take place

Date of PhD enrolment

Name of PhD supervisor

Source of current funding, e.g. Government
funds, personal means, etc. (NB: students
bound to an industrial sponsor are not eligible)

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