GENERAL INFORMATION
The Young Investigator Award is an initiative of the Faculty of Life Sciences in order to honour young postdoctoral scientists publishing in the top journals of their field. The award has a value of 7,000 €. In total up to four awards will be granted. Award recipients will be selected according to their publication output during 2010 and 2011. They are expected to use the grant, which will be formally disbursed to the account of their department, to conduct research or to support their participation at international meetings.

ELIGIBILITY
All Junior Scientists working at the Faculty of Life Sciences who are employed by the University of Vienna at the time of application (also via third-party funds) and who have received their Ph.D. within the last 6 years (parental leaves can be added) are eligible for this award.

MODE OF APPLICATION
Candidates should apply by submitting their publication list comprising only the years 2010 and 2011. Only publications that list the University of Vienna as affiliation should be included. For each publication the corresponding author should be underlined, the impact factor of the journal (current IF 2010) should be given and it should be indicated whether the journal belongs to the top 10% or top 25% of the journals (ranked according to their impact factor) in the respective ISI Journal Citation Reports subject category (http://admin-apps.isiknowledge.com/JCR/JCR). If a journal is listed in more than one ISI subject category, the applicant can choose the category. For each publication the selected subject category should be indicated.

The last date for submission of the application documents is April 15, 2012. The application should be submitted by Email to Dorothea Prenner (dorothea.prenner@univie.ac.at) at the Dean’s Office.

MODE OF SELECTION
The four best applicants will be selected based on their top 10% and top 25% publications in the respective subject categories. First and/or corresponding authorships will be taken into account. Publications in multidisciplinary high impact journals like Nature, Science and PNAS will receive special consideration. If this procedure leads to equal scores of some applicants, then publications outside the top 10%/25% range from the years 2010 and 2011 will be considered for making a final decision.