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## Media Release

# Karger Publishers Launches its Fourth Annual Vesalius Innovation Award to Advance the Future of Science

For the fourth consecutive year, Karger Publishers is seeking top-of-the-line applicants for its Vesalius Innovation Award. The award is aimed at early-stage startups in the Health Sciences and Publishing sectors that are developing innovative technological solutions with a significant impact in their respective fields.

This year marks the fourth year of the Vesalius Innovation Award, with a total of \$25,000 in prizes to be granted to the top performers. The winner will receive \$15,000, while the two runners-up will be awarded \$5,000 each.

The focus of this year's competition is on knowledge communication, patient centricity, and artificial intelligence. Early-stage startups in the health sciences are encouraged to submit their award applications via the dedicated website, [www.karger.com/via](http://www.karger.com/via) from **May 15 to September 3**.

The judging panel is comprised of leading Health Sciences and publishing experts, who will evaluate the submissions and provide feedback to the participants. After the evaluation by the jury, the top five shortlisted startups will be invited to present their ideas at the STM Week in London in December. This is an excellent opportunity for the startups to showcase their innovations to a wider audience and gain valuable exposure.

The Vesalius Innovation Award has been presented in collaboration with the **STM Association** since its inception, and the organizers are grateful for the continued support of Gold Sponsor **Molecular Connections**, new Silver Sponsor **Park56**, alongside the new partner **Silverchair**.

Last year's winner was **ImageTwin**, which offers an AI-driven solution for detecting manipulations and duplications in the figures within scientific articles. Over the course of

the award's history, over 13% of all previous applicants, not just the winners, have continued to partner with Karger.

The Vesalius Innovation Award, whose name originates from the renaissance rebel and pioneer of modern anatomy Andreas Vesalius, is an excellent opportunity for startups in the Health Sciences and Publishing sectors to gain recognition and support for their innovative ideas. Karger encourages all eligible startups to apply and wishes them the best of luck in the competition.

## About Karger Publishers

Karger Publishers is a worldwide publisher of scientific and medical content based in Basel, Switzerland. It is independent and family-led in the fourth generation by Chairwoman and Publisher Gabriella Karger. Connecting and advancing health sciences since 1890, Karger has been continuously evolving, keeping pace with the current developments and shifts in research and publishing. The publishing house is dedicated to serving the information needs of the scientific community, clinicians, and patients with publications of high-quality content and services in health sciences. Karger Publishers has 240 employees and is present in 15 countries around the globe.

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