

Regulations for the Best Paper programme implemented at the Warsaw University of Technology as part of the “Excellence Initiative – Research University” project at the Warsaw University of Technology

1. The Best Paper programme awarding authors of best scientific publications in a given year, affiliated with the Warsaw University of Technology, is implemented as part of the “Excellence Initiative – Research University” project (IDUB) at the Warsaw University of Technology.
2. The Best Paper programme mentioned in item 1 is addressed to employees of the Warsaw University of Technology whose scientific output is included in the evaluation of the scientific activity of the University.
3. The beneficiaries of the programme may be the persons mentioned in item 2, currently employed at WUT.
4. The following proposals shall be eligible for the Best Paper programme:
 - 1) Papers published in journals in the first decile in their top ASJC discipline according to the CiteScore index of the Scopus database.
 - 2) Scientific monographs published in level 2 publishing houses (200 points) according to the current lists of the Ministry of Science and Higher Education.
 - 3) Full-text conference papers published in conference materials for 200 points according to the current lists of the Ministry of Science and Higher Education.
5. To be eligible for the Best Paper programme, publications referred to in item 4 must be registered in the repository of the Warsaw University of Technology – WUT Base of Knowledge.
6. Publications shall be qualified for the Best Paper programme automatically, based on the reports generated from the WUT Base of Knowledge and the Scopus database. Reports shall be generated on the first working day of July and shall include the previous year’s publications.
7. WUT authors of the papers eligible for the programme, who have authorised the Warsaw University of Technology to list a publication as an achievement in the statement for evaluation purposes referred to in Article 265, section 13 of the Law on Higher Education and Science, shall be granted the following awards to be equally divided:
 - 1) PLN 15,000 – for publications meeting the condition set out in item 4 subitem 1 and published in international cooperation or for publications meeting the condition set out in item 4 subitem 2.
 - 2) PLN 10,000 – for publications meeting the condition set out in item 4 subitem 1 or the condition set out in item 4 subitem 3.
 - 3) PLN 5,000 – for co-authored publications, with more than 20 authors (provided that the author has not completed tasks linked directly to the preparation of the manuscript).
8. The amount mentioned in item 7 shall be paid as a publication allowance, in compliance with the rules of Remuneration Regulations at WUT. The decision on the amount of allowance shall be taken by the Head of the IDUB project, based on the opinion of the Committee for Publications.
9. Payment of the allowance shall be made by the end of November in a given year and shall include the publications of the previous year, with the exception of publications from 2024, for which the supplement will be paid in February 2026.
10. The content of the Best Paper programme cannot be a publication that has been funded under IDUB competitions based on the WUT Rector’s Decisions No. 109/2022 and No. 110/2022.
11. Any matters unregulated herein or contentious shall be settled by the Vice-Rector for Research.
12. Information about the programme is published on the website of the IDUB project (www.badawcza.pw.edu.pl).