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## **Nominations open for Nature Awards for Mentoring in Science – Germany (2008)**

*Nature* is pleased to announce that nominations are now open for its 2008 Nature Awards for Mentoring in Science. *Nature* invites nominations of outstanding scientific mentors in Germany. This year two prizes of €10,000 will be awarded – one for mid-career and one for life-time achievement. Nominations open today (25 March) and close on 4 July 2008. The Awards will be announced at a ceremony in Berlin in October 2008.

The annual Nature Awards for Mentoring in Science, launched in 2005 to recognise outstanding scientific mentorship, focus on a specific country or countries each year. The 2008 awards focus on Germany. In previous years the Nature Awards have highlighted mentors in Australia, South Africa and the UK.

Nominees may work in any discipline within the natural sciences, and should be resident in Germany. They may nominate themselves or be nominated by colleagues and ex-colleagues. Nominations for a candidate must include independent testimonials by at least five researchers mentored by their nominee, not all over the same period.

Full details and nomination forms are available on the 2008 Award page on the *Nature* website: [www.nature.com/nature/mentoringawards/germany/](http://www.nature.com/nature/mentoringawards/germany/). More information about the Nature Awards for Mentoring in Science is available at [www.nature.com/nature/awards/mentorship/](http://www.nature.com/nature/awards/mentorship/).

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