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Student Grant Agency of the Faculty of Science of the University of
South Bohemia announces

competition for financial support of projects for the year 2020

The purpose of the Student Grant Agency (SGA) is to support projects of students of **bachelor's and master's degree at the Faculty of Science (FS) of USB**. Projects may but need not be related to the theme of bachelor or master thesis (successful completion of thesis must not depend on the award of the SGA grant). Each student applying for a grant must find in advance a researcher serving as a project supervisor (can be even a doctoral student in the presence form of study throughout 2020). Consent of the head of the department/institute/CPE/LAPE of FS (where the project will be solved and where the finances will be deposited) with the proposal must be obtained. The head guarantees release of the funds in accord with the project application. **For year 2020 the maximum financial support is 25 thousand CZK per project. Only students who will be throughout the year 2020 in the standard period of study are eligible to submit the project¹.**

Guidelines for project preparation

1. Fill in a simple signature form (SGA-signature2020, all forms can be downloaded from <http://www.prf.jcu.cz/veda/granty/sga.html>), sign by yourself, the project supervisor and by the head of the department of FS.
2. Fill in the project in the form SGA-project2020. **The amount of text except the header and the references is limited to 6000 characters including spaces**, plus a maximum of 1 A4 page of graphics without text. Be careful in the extent of the text. To keep fair competition, the projects exceeding the limit will be eliminated.
3. Till **Dec 2, 2019, 9 a.m.**, deliver a signed form SGA-signature 2020 and one copy of the completed form SGA-project 2020 to the Department of Science of FS and at the same time deliver your project (as file **SGA-project2020- Yourlastname.doc**) to: veda@prf.jcu.cz. Electronic and printed versions must be identical.

The required project structure

1. **Literature review** - a summary of what is known about the topic (briefly!).
2. **Goal of the project** - a description of what is to be achieved in the project (concisely and clearly!). If the SGA project is part of a larger project, focus on the part solved within the SGA project. SGA project must form a research entity reachable within 1 year with a dominant contribution of the student.
3. **Methods** - methods and techniques employed in the SGA project (concisely and

¹Current bachelor students of 1st and 2nd year, ev. 3rd year of a 4-year program (Mechatronics); master students of 1st year (including beginning in summer term 2018/2019), ev. 2nd year of a 2.5-year program (Biological Chemistry)(beginning in winter term 2018/2019).

clearly!). Identify activities carried out by you in person vs. activities carried out by other people/labs.

4. Financial budget - funds needed for the success of the project, itemize and justify them; indicate if the project needs more resources and only a portion is requested from SGA, approximate funding from other sources, detailing items with justification only for the SGA funds. SGA funds can be used to finance:

- a) material (including media - CDs, DVDs, memory sticks, maps, paper, laboratory kits, substrates, feed, chemicals, etc.)
- b) minor assets necessary for the solution of the project (e.g. software, hardware, books - acquired assets remain a property of FS after the project termination)
- c) services (e.g. external copying, translation, analysis, conference participation with a presentation (poster, talk))
- d) research-related travel (in the amount of public transportation) and accommodation expenses (in the form of premium scholarship in accordance with the Scholarship Rules of USB)
- e) premium scholarship - reward for successful completion of the project SGA (max. 3000 CZK, will be paid in December 2020 in the required amount after satisfying all project conditions or in a reduced amount in case of reservations).

5. References.

Formal verification of the submitted projects will be carried out first and applications violating the rules will be excluded. The projects will be subsequently evaluated by the SGA team of project opponents and ranked; SGA Board will then decide which projects can be funded. The results will be announced till Jan 28, 2020. Funds for the project will be available after approval of the budget by Academic Senate of FS, i.e. approximately in April 2020. Investigators will terminate the project financially no later than Nov 16, 2020 and will deliver the final report of the project (on the prescribed form SGA-report2020) no later than Nov 23, 2020 to the Department of Science of FS and e-mail veda@prf.jcu.cz. All investigators will present the results and outcomes of the project at the seminar, which will take place during week Dec 7 to 11, 2020. The best investigators will receive an additional bonus scholarship.

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