Minutes of the Selection Committee "IOCB Postdoctoral Project and Sabbatical Program", 16.04.2018

Committee: I. Pichová (presiding), I. Starý, P. Jungwirth, V. Kašička, U. Jahn

Point 1) General matters

1.) The committee discussed the recent trend of declining numbers of applications. Reasons might be saturation of available space of groups and the success of competing programs. Compared to these and also conditions at other institution, IOCB postdoctoral salaries are still at the lower end. Potential ways of attracting more high quality applications will be addressed at group leader's meetings and communicated also via the PR department.

2.) At the last selection meeting in October 2017, the committee agreed to ask applicants for a cover letter as a part of their applications. However, this information has not been put on the web yet, which will now be fixed by I. Pichová.

Point 2) Selection

IOCB Sabbatical

No applications

IOCB Postdoctoral fellowships

The committee received two applications for IOCB Postdoctoral Fellowships and no applications for extension of current IOCB Postdoctoral Fellowships.

1.) The committee decided to grant IOCB Postdoctoral Fellowships to:

Daisuke Sakamoto, Japan, in I. Starý's group.*

Andriy Tomin, Ukraine, in N. Weiss's group.

* As in previous meetings of the committee, if a vote was about an applicant to a group of a committee member, this member did not participate in the discussion and abstained from the vote.

2.) The committee decided not to fund the following applications:

None

3.) The committee decided to extend the IOCB Postdoctoral Fellowship by one year to:

None