

Conditions of participation for the pupils' photo competition on 28 April 2024 at the MPI-P, Mainz:

Along the Polymer Path there are lots of images depicting or relating to polymers. Take a closer look to the exhibits and read the text panels to find out what they are all about. There are many stories to discover and perhaps one of them is exactly the story that symbolises a polymer for you and your children.

Let yourself be inspired and find an exciting perspective or an insight that best reflects the concept of polymer for you or your children.

Closing date for entries: 5 May 2024

Occasion and choice of the subject: As part of Science Day on 28 April 2024, the Max Planck Institute for Polymer Research (MPI-P) is holding a student photo competition with the motto "What is a polymer to me?". The aim of the contest is to find creative motifs that illustrate the polymer education pathway.

Participation: Students aged 9 to 19 years are eligible.

Evaluation criteria: 1) idea/creativity, 2) design of the photo, 3) technical execution

Jury members: Prof. Dr. Katharina Landfester (Director at the MPI-P), Ulrike Schneider (project manager and photographer), Dr. Christian Schneider (Head of PR)

Technical requirements: Digital file as JPEG, max. size 15 MB, at least 4000 pixels on the longest side, print resolution of at least 300 dpi (high resolution)'

Description: The photo must be labelled with the title and name of the author. Please include a short description in the e-mail.

Exclusion from participation: The MPI-P reserves the right to exclude persons from the competition if these conditions of participation are violated. Anyone who provides false personal details may also be excluded. Persons who gain advantages through manipulation will also be excluded.

Procedure: A valid and correct e-mail address, first name, surname, date of birth and address of the participant(s) is required. In the case of a win in particular, further contact will be made via this e-mail address or postal address. For minors, the signature of a parent or legal guardian is required. By sending a photo, you recognise the terms and conditions of the competition and agree to its publication on the MPI-P website. Photos received after the closing date will not be considered. A jury will vote on the photos submitted. The winners will be determined only by this voting. The winners are expected to be informed of the award by email or post in May 2024. With the exclusion of legal recourse, there is no claim to cash payment or to an exchange.

Prizes: The 1st prize includes a commonly fixed (working day, except Saturday), on which the winner will intensively be supervised by MPI-P staff. Catering will be provided, as well as all safety precautions when entering laboratories. The 2nd prize is a stainless steel drinking bottle, 500 ml, the third prize is a vegan notebook, A5 and will be sent by post. The other prizes will not be honoured or named. Just the three winners will be named on the MPI-P website, without mentioning their address, only their age.

Use and rights of third parties: Each participant grants the MPI-P as organiser the simple rights of use and exploitation of the submitted photos without any restrictions in terms of space, time or content. These will only be published on the MPI-P website and internally for documentation purposes.

Participants warrant that they hold all rights to the submitted photographic material, that they have unrestricted exploitation rights, that the submitted photographic material is free from third-party rights and that no personal rights are violated in the depiction of persons. If one or more persons are recognisably depicted in the photographic material, consent to publication must be obtained from each individual person depicted and submitted in writing at the request of the organiser. If minors are depicted, the written consent of their legal guardians is required.

Prohibited content: Participants may not submit any photos that are contrary to public decency or

otherwise violate applicable law (in particular copyrights, trademark rights and naming rights of third parties). In particular, no photos may be submitted that contain criminally relevant content or that could violate the personal rights of third parties.

Data protection: The MPI-P collects, processes, uses and stores the data of the participants registered by e-mail during the submission process for the duration of the competition, until 31 December 2024 at the latest, after which they will be deleted. This does not apply to the personal data of the winners, which will be stored permanently. Required naming data is stored and mentioned in order to protect the personality rights of the author. For minors, the declaration of consent of the legal guardian applies when the photo is submitted. Registration data will not be used for any other purposes without the explicit consent of the affected person. You can find the complete [data protection information](#) here:

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