List of Selected Distinctions 2019–2026

Prizes	
Leroy P. Steele Prize for Seminal Contribution to Research	Erdős Group (2026)
Prize from the Schlumberger Foundation for Education and Research	Hannezo Group (2025)
Best oral communication prize at BIOTRANS, Basel, Switzerland	Reisenbauer Group (2025)
Erwin Schroedinger Prize of the Austrian Academy of Sciences	Sazanov Group (2024), Seiringer Group (2023), Erdős Group (2020)
Prize of the Austrian Mathematical Society	Kwan Group (2024), Fischer Group (2020)
Dr. Eduard Martin Prize for PhD thesis on Automated and Foundational Verification of Low-Level Programs	Sammler Group (2024)
Abarbanel Prize in Applied Mathematics, Israel Mathematical Union	Bronstein Group (2024)
Morton and Beverley Rechler Prize for Excellence in Research, Technion	Bronstein Group (2024)
Leopold prize, Austria	Friml Group (2024)
Life Sciences Swiss PIs of Tomorrow Jury Prize	Michael Group (2022)
Bronze Talk Prize at the “Low Energy Electrodynamics in Solids” conference	Baykusheva Group (2021)
2nd place Talk Prize at the 11th “New Generation in Strongly Correlated Electron Systems” conference	Baykusheva Group (2021)
Peter Seeburg Integrative Neuroscience Prize of the Society for Neuroscience, USA	Jonas Group (2021)
PhD Prize of the European Astronomical Society	Bugnet Group (2021)
PhD Prize of the French Society of Astronomy and Astrophysics	Bugnet Group (2021)
Ferran Sunyer i Balaguer Prize	Browning Group (2021)
MERAC Prize for best PhD Thesis in Observational Astrophysics	Matthee Group (2020)
SIAM Dénes Kőnig Prize	Kwan Group (2020)
Lieben Prize of the Austrian Academy of Sciences	Tkačik Group (2019)
Ludwig Boltzmann Prize	Serbyn Group (2019)
Lopez-Loreta Prize	Mondelli Group (2019)
Barcelona Dynamical Systems Prize	Kaloshin Group (2019)

Medals	
Medal of Merit of the town Ceske Budejovice, Czech Republic	Friml Group (2024)
ETH Medal for an outstanding PhD thesis	Reisenbauer Group (2024), Kwan Group (2019)
Otto-Hahn-Medal	Sammler Group (2024), Sunko Group (2020)

IPGSA Silver Medal Award	Benková Group (2023)
Mendel Medal, Royal Physiographic Society, Lund	Barton Group (2023)
Keilin Memorial Medal and Lecture	Sazanov Group (2022)
IAAM Scientist Medal from the International Association of Advanced Materials	Ibáñez Group (2021)
Founders' Medal from the International Council on Magnetic Resonance in Biological Systems	Schanda Group (2020)
Carus Medal of the German National Academy of Sciences	Heisenberg Group (2019), Henzinger M. Group (2019)

Awards	
NVIDIA Faculty Award for impact on GPU technology	Alistarh Group (2026)
Early Career Award for Soft Matter Research, American Physical Society	Waitukaitis Group (2026)
FEBS Excellence Award	Bravo Group (2025), Schur Group (2021)
Dr. Otto Röhm Memorial Foundation Award	Pieber Group (2025)
Lower Austrian Science Award	Siegert Group (2025), Alistarh Group (2024), Sazanov Group (2023), Freunberger Group (2023), Serbyn Group (2023)
"Golden Chalk Award" for best teaching at the Institute of Science and Technology	Danzl Group (2025), Vogels Group (2024)
Eurographics PhD Award	Ren Group (2025)
Disruptive Idea Award, Conference on Neurosymbolic Systems	Henzinger T. Group (2025)
Distinguished Paper Award	Sammler Group (2025, PLDI), Sammler Group (2023, POPL), Sammler Group (2022, POPL), Sammler Group (2021, PLDI), Sammler Group (2019, USENIX Security'19)
Soft Matter Outstanding Reviewer, Royal Society Publishing	Waitukaitis Group (2025)
Prix Schläfli Award for Chemistry	Reisenbauer Group (2024)
Wittgenstein Award of the Austrian Science Fund	Friml Group (2024), Henzinger M. Group (2021)
Cardinal Innitzer Award for best Austrian Habilitation in physics	Léonard Group (2024)
Informatics Europe Best Dissertation Award	Sammler Group (2024, runner-up)
Best Paper Award	Henzinger M. Group (2024, ACM-SIAM Symposium on Discrete Algorithms), Kaloshin Group (2023, Frontier of Science, Beijing; 2020 ICCM), Alistarh Group (2021, International Symposium on Distributed Computing), Mondelli Group (2021, Information Theory Society), Locatello Group (2019, International Conference on Machine Learning)

Doctoral Thesis Distinction	Ren Group (2024, EPFL)
Google Research Scholar Award	Locatello Group (2024)
Outstanding Paper Award	Alistarh Group (2023, ACM Symposium on Parallelism in Algorithms and Architectures)
Eppendorf Award for Young European Investigators	Michael Group (2023, finalist)
Alexander von Humboldt Research Award	Venkataraman Group (2023)
Hector Foundation Award, Heidelberg Academy of Science	Locatello Group (2023)
Knighted Cavaliere dell'Ordine al Merito della Repubblica Italiana	Caiazzo Group (2022)
Rising Star in Plant Sciences, Molecular Plant	Feng Group (2022)
HS Atreya Award from the Indian NMR Society	Schanda Group (2022)
Influential Paper Award	Henzinger T. Group (2021)
Best poster award at Swiss Summer School "Catalysis and Sustainable Chemistry"	Reisenbauer Group (2021)
President's Award to Distinguished Doctoral Students, Stony Brook University	Chen Group (2021)
Krainer Memorial Award	Freunberger Group (2021)
Ehrenzeichen für Wissenschaft, Forschung und Kunst des Landes Steiermark	Edelsbrunner Group (2020)
American Heart Association-Allen Investigator Award	Hetzer Group (2020)
Varian Young Investigator Award from the AMPERE Society	Schanda Group (2020)
Richard L. Greene Dissertation Award in Experimental Condensed Matter or Materials Physics, American Physical Society	Sunko Group (2020)
Neuron Award for Lifetime Contribution to Science, Czech Republic	Friml Group (2019)
Neuroscience Hot Topic Award from the Society of Neuroscience	Siegert Group (2019)
Helmholtz Young Investigator Award	Sweeney Group (2019, declined)
Swiss National Science Foundation Eccellenza Award	Robinson Group (2019)
Best paper honorable mention award at IEEE/CVF Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition	Kolmogorov Group (2018)

Memberships	
Young Academy of the Austrian Academy of Sciences	Douglass Group (2026), Michael Group (2026), Polshyn Group (2024), Modic Group (2024), Hannezo Group (2022), Waitukaitis Group (2021), Lemeshko Group (2020)
Austrian Academy of Sciences	Cremer Group (2026)
European Molecular Biology Organization (EMBO)	Šarić Group (2026), Novarino Group (2025), Hannezo Group (2025), Hetzer Group (2024), Jonas Group (2019)

Simons Collaboration on Brain Energetics	Vogels Group (2026)
Academia Europaea	Friml Group (2025), Sixt Group (2024), Browning Group (2022), de Bono Group (2021), Seiringer Group (2021), Kaloshin Group (2021), Hausel Group (2020), Csicsvari Group (2019)
German National Academy of Sciences	Erdős Group (2025), Shigemoto Group (2022)
Austrian Cluster of Excellence on Bilateral Artificial Intelligence	Alistarh Group (2024, Key researcher)
Royal Society, UK	Henzinger T. Group (2024), Sazanov Group (2019, Fellow)
National Academy of Sciences, USA	Barton Group (2024, Foreign Member), Henzinger T. Group (2020)
Fellow of the American Mathematical Society	Erdős Group (2022), Seiringer Group (2019)
Czech Learned Society	Friml Group (2022)
Sigma Xi, USA	Guet Group (2022)
European Laboratory for Learning and Intelligent Systems (ELLIS)	Robinson Group (2021, Scholar), Bronstein Group (2020, Fellow), Lampert Group (2019, Scholar)
FENS-Kavli Network of Excellence	Sweeney Group (2021, Scholar and Vice-Chair), Jösch Group (2018–2023, Scholar)
Elisabeth Schiemann Kolleg	Modic Group (2020–2025)
American Academy of Arts and Sciences	Henzinger T. Group (2020)
Fellow of the American Physical Society	Hof Group (2017)

Service	
Working Group on Actionable Cryosphere Projections for the Decade of Action for Cryospheric Science	Pellicciotti Group (2026–present, Associate Lead)
SIAM Journal on Mathematical Analysis	Fischer Group (2026–present, Editorial Board)
Astronomy and Astrophysics (Stellar Physics)	Bugnet Group (2026–present, Associate Editor)
International Society of Magnetic Resonance	Schanda Group (2026–2029, Elected Council Member)
Austrian Neuroscience Association	Hippenmeyer Group (2026–2028, President)
Lake Conference, Allen Institute	Hannezo Group (2026–2027, Organizer)
Visiting Miller Research Professor, University of California Berkeley	Muller Group (2026)
Simons Foundation Distinguished Visiting Professorship, NYU, USA	Šarić Group (2026)
Atomic Quantum Matter conference, ISTA	Léonard Group (2026, Organizer)

24th European Workshop on White Dwarfs	Caiazzo Group (2026, Chair of the Science Organizing Committee and Organizer)
Iris Workshop 2026, ISTA	Sammler Group (2026, Organizer)
ERC Consolidator Grant Panel	Pellicciotti Group (2026), Pellicciotti Group (2024), Pellicciotti Group (2022), Pellicciotti Group (2020), Pietrzak Group (2019–2025)
ANR grant panels	Kicheva Group (2026, Priority Research Program and Equipment international grant panel), Vicoso Group (2026, Vice President), Guet Group (2024–2026), Vicoso Group (2023–present, Member)
FENS Forum 2028, Program Committee	Novarino Group (2026, Elected Chair)
Federation for European Neuroscience Forum	Sweeney Group (2026, Symposium Chair)
ChemPhotoChem	Pieber Group (2025–present, International Editorial Advisory Board)
European Journal of Organic Chemistry	Pieber Group (2025–present, International Editorial Advisory Board)
European Chemical Society	Pieber Group (2025–present, Board member & Treasurer)
LISA Science Team	Haiman Group (2025–present)
SIGGRAPH Technical Papers Committee	Ren Group (2026), Ren Group (2025)
Neural Information Processing Systems	Locatello Group (2025, Datasets and Benchmarks Track), Locatello Group (2024, Program Chair)
International Plant Growth Substances Association	Benkova Group (2025, Elected President)
Division of Soft Matter, American Physical Society	Goodrich Group (2025, Elected Member-at-large)
NIH/NICHD site visit evaluation panel	Kicheva Group (2025)
Photoexciting Molecules conference, ISTA	Pieber Group (2025, Co-chair and organizer)
Cryo-EM symposia, Austria	Michael Group (2025, Organization of the 8th Austrian Cryo-EM Symposium at ISTA), Bravo Group (2025, Co-organizer of the Austrian Cryo-EM Symposium, ISTA), Bernecky Group (2019–2024, Co-organizer of the annual Vienna-region cryo-EM symposium)
“Designing Kinetics”, Lorentz Center, Netherlands	Goodrich Group (2025, Organizer)
“Theoretical Challenges for Ocean Dynamics”, ENS Lyon	Muller Group (2025, Conference Organizer)
Charged Matter Conference, ISTA	Waitukaitis Group (2025, Organizer)
TASC9/KASC16 Workshop	Bugnet Group (2025, Organizer)
25th International Worm Meeting, Program Committee	de Bono Group (2025)

Genetics	Vicoso Group (2024–present, Associate Editor)
Journal of Cosmology and Particle Physics	Haiman Group (2024–present, Editor)
11th International Conference on Multiscale Materials Modeling, Prague, Czech Republic	Goodrich Group (2024, Lead Organizer)
International Conference on Machine Learning, Vienna	Alistarh Group (2024, Local Organizer)
Physics of Cell Fate Decision conference, ISTA	Tkačik Group (2024, Organizer)
International Conference Quantitative Genetics	Robinson Group (2024, Organizer)
Cold and Controlled Molecules and Ions Conference, ISTA	Lemeshko Group (2024, Organizer)
ISTA-FKNE-CHET Young PI Symposium at FENS	Siegert Group (2024, Co-Organizer)
Federation of European Neuroscience Societies Forum 2024, Vienna, Austria	Danzl Group (2024, Host Society Organizing Committee member)
Gordon Research Conferences (Chair)	Klajn Group (2024, Systems Chemistry), Klajn Group (2023, Self-Assembly & Supramolecular Chemistry), de Bono Group (2023, Modulation of Neural Circuits), Sixt Group (2021, Cell Migration, elected Chair)
Journal of Functional Analysis	Maas Group (2023–present, Associate Editor)
Evolution	Vicoso Group (2023–present, Associate Editor)
EMBO Workshops Neuronal Remodeling	Hippenmeyer Group (2023–2027, Co-Organizer)
ISTA professorial committee	Fink Group (2023–2026, Elected member)
National Presidential Science and Technology Council, Kazakhstan	Alpichshev Group (2023–2025)
Hybrid Quantum Technologies workshop & Germanium Day, ISTA	Katsaros Group (2023, Organizer)
Nanax10 conference, ISTA	Ibáñez Group (2023, Organizer)
Review committee for the 2023 Research Assessment of the four Applied Physics Departments at TU Delft	Fink Group (2023)
PLOS Biology	Kicheva Group (2022–present, Editorial Board)
FWF cluster of excellence quantA	Fink Group (2022–present, Board member)
Theory of Cryptography Conference	Pietrzak Group (2022–present, Steering Committee member)
X-Shooting ULLYSES Team	Götberg Group (2022–present, Point of Contact)
Society for Neuroscience Program Committee	Hippenmeyer Group (2022–2025)
Annual Vienna Soft Matter Day	Goodrich Group (2022–2024, Organizer)
Compositio Mathematica	Browning Group (2022, Editor)

Hitachi Cambridge Advisory Committee	Katsaros Group (2022)
Advanced Physics Lecturer, University of Liège	Waitukaitis Group (2022)
European C. elegans meeting	de Bono Group (2022, Co-organizer)
Frontiers of Quantum Gas Microscopy Workshop, Bad Honnef	Léonard Group (2022, Organizer)
Pacific Graphics Conference, Kyoto, Japan	Wojtan Group (2022, Papers Chair)
NASA UVEX mission	Götberg Group (2021–present, Science Team Member)
Scientific evaluation committee for telescope time allocation and funding	Götberg Group (2021–present)
Youth in High Dimensions	Mondelli Group (2021–2026, Organizer)
Chemistry Symposium "Future Directions in Chemistry: From Biology to Advanced Material", ISTA	Ibáñez Group (2021, Organizer)
Collective Intelligence	Guet Group (2020, Founding editor)
ACM	Guet Group (2020, Founding editor)
SAGE journal	Guet Group (2020, Founding editor)
European Laboratory for Learning and Intelligent Systems (ELLIS), Unit Vienna	Lampert Group (2019–present, Director)
New Horizons Solvay Lectureship in Chemistry	Klajn Group (2019)
Sigma-Aldrich Lectureship in Materials Science	Klajn Group (2019)
ERC Starting Grant Evaluation Panel – Computer Science	Lampert Group (2019–2025)
Debris-covered glaciers session at IUGG, Montreal	Pellicciotti Group (2019, Convener)
FENS 2020 European Neuroscience meeting, Program Committee	Csicsvari Group (2019)
eLife	Zilberman Group (2015–present, Reviewing Editor)
Nucleus	Hetzer Group (Editorial Board)
Molecular Biology of the Cell	Hetzer Group (Editorial Board)

Invitations	
Meeting of the Hungarian Neuroscience Society	Csicsvari Group (2026, Plenary lecture)
17th International Conference on Free Boundary Problems, Berlin	Fischer Group (2026, Plenary lecture)
FEBS-IUBMB-ENABLE 2026	Bernecky Group (2026, Keynote Speaker)
17th International Conference on Complex Networks	Cremer Group (2026, Keynote Lecture)
Symposium on the Immune System of Bacteria, Rockefeller University	Bravo Group (2026, Invited speaker)
Inaugural Michael A. Savageau Lecture in Molecular Systems Biology, UC Davis, USA	Guet Group (2025)

Microsymposium, Vienna, Austria	Bernecky Group (2025, Invited talk)
Austrian Peptide Symposium, Vienna	Praetorius Group (2025, Invited lecture)
European RosettaCon, Ljubljana	Praetorius Group (2025, Invited lecture)
Congress of the European Society for Evolutionary Biology, Spain	Vicoso Group (2025, Keynote speaker)
Global Hackathon, MPI-Meteorology Hamburg	Muller Group (2025, Keynote Speaker)
Symposium on Geometry Processing, Bilbao, Spain	Wojtan Group (2025, Keynote Speaker)
ÖMG-DMV annual meeting, Linz	Browning Group (2025, Plenary lecture)
Frontiers in Integrative Structural Biology Symposium, Graz	Praetorius Group (2025, Keynote speaker)
ACM Symposium on the Theory of Computing	Henzinger M. Group (2025, Keynote speaker)
Computational and Systems Neuroscience Conference	Vogels Group (2025, Keynote speaker)
Zoology Department, University of Cambridge	Cremer Group (2025, Seminar holder)
Friday Lecture Series, Rockefeller University	Cremer Group (2024, Seminar holder)
Nobel Symposium NS194	Fink Group (2024, Invited talk)
Trinity College Dublin	Hausel Group (2024, annual lecture)
Bourbaki Seminar	Hausel Group (2023, Speaker)
Symposium Dürnstein – Das Gehirn und seine Gesellschaft	Hippenmeyer Group (2023, Panel Speaker)
ACS Spring, Indianapolis, United States	Reisenbauer Group (2023, Plenary lecture)
British Mathematics Colloquium	Browning Group (2023, Plenary lecture)
GraPhyz Conference “Saline Royale d’Arc-et-Senans”, France	Wojtan Group (2022, Keynote Speaker)
19th International Congress of the IUSSI	Cremer Group (2022, Plenary lecture)
International Congress of Mathematicians	Hausel Group (2022, Invited speaker)
PIMS-IFDS-NSF Summer School on Optimal Transport, Seattle	Maas Group (2022, Lecturer)
International Congress on Mathematical Physics	Hausel Group (2021, Invited speaker)
One World Probability Seminar	Maas Group (2021, Invited speaker)
Ecole Normale Superieure, Paris, France	Palacci Group (2020–2021, Invited Professor)
ESPCI, Paris, France	Palacci Group (2020, Invited Chair)