PRIZES AND GRANTS

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PRIZEWINNERS OF JINR'S ANNUAL COMPETITION FOR BEST RESEARCH

I. Theoretical Physics Research

First Prize

«Theory of Resonances in Multichannel Systems». Authors: E. Kolganova, A. Motovilov.

Second Prize

«Theory and Phenomenology of Neutrino Mixing and Oscillations».

Author: S. Bilenky.

II. Experimental Physics Research

First Prize

1. «Search for Charge Asymmetry in 3-pion Decays of K^{\pm} ».

Authors: S. Balev, E. Goudzovski, V. Kekelidze, V. Kozhukharov, D. Madigozhin, N. Molokanova, Yu. Potrebenikov, P. L. Frabetti, P. Hristov, C. Cheshkov.

2. «Synthesis of Element 118 in the 249 Cf+ 48 Ca Reaction».

Authors: Yu. Oganessian, V. Utyonkov, Yu. Lobanov, F. Abdullin, A. Polyakov, I. Shirokovsky, Yu. Tsyganov, A. Voinov, A. Mezentsev, M. Itkis.

Second Prizes

1. «Study of Mu-atomic and Mu-molecular Processes at the Meson Facilities TRIUMF (Canada) and PSI (Switzerland)».

Authors: V. Bystritsky, V. Stolupin, V. Gerassimov, V. Volnykh, V. Sandukovsky, V. Pavlov, V. Boreiko, J. Woźniak, M. Filipowicz, F. Mulhauser.

2. «Experimental Investigation of Reactions at Beams of ⁶He with Light and Heavy Nuclei (First Experiments at DRIBs)».

Authors: R. Astabatyan, G. Gulbekian, R. Kalpakchieva, A. Kulko, S. Lukyanov, V. Maslov, Yu. Penionzhkevich, N. Skobelev, Yu. Sobolev.

III. Physics Instruments and Methods

First Prize

«Photon Methods of Radiation Detection».

Author: Yu. Akimov.

Second Prizes

1. «Laser-Based Calibration System of Electromagnetic Calorimeters for the Experiments on Relativistic Nuclear Physics at the JINR Nuclotron».

Authors: Yu. Anisimov, A. Livanov, V. Krasnov, S. Kuznetsov, A. Malakhov, J. Kliman, Š. Gmuca, V. Matoušek, M. Morhač, I. Turzo.

2. «Neutron Diffraction Study of the Physical Properties of Rock Samples of the Upper Part of Lithosphere».

Authors: A. Frischbutter, Ch. Janssen, Ch. Scheffzuek, K. Walther, K. Ullemeyer, D. Nikolaev, A. Nikitin, T. Ivankina.

IV. Applied Physics Research

First Prize

«Accelerator Complex IC100 for Applied Research». Authors: B. Gikal, G. Gulbekian, S. Dmitriev, P. Apel, I. Kolesov, O. Ivanov, V. Mironov, R. Oganessian, S. Paschenko, V. Skuratov.

Second Prizes

1. «Methodology and Experimental Investigations of the Stability of Polymers for Particle Accelerators and Detectors».

Authors: A. Astapov, A. Vodopianov, L. Zaitsev,

- S. Zaitsev, I. Karpunina, A. Kovalenko, V. Krasnov, A. Maksimov, E. Cherevatenko, V. Chumakov.
- 2. «Observation and Investigation of Weak Heating of Ultracold Neutrons».

Authors: E. Lychagin, A. Muzychka, G. Nekhaev, A. Strelkov.

Encouraging Prizes

«A Study of Strange Hadron Production and Fragmentation in Neutrino Interactions in the NOMAD Experiment».

Authors: A. Chukanov, D. Naumov, B. Popov.

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2 projects.

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