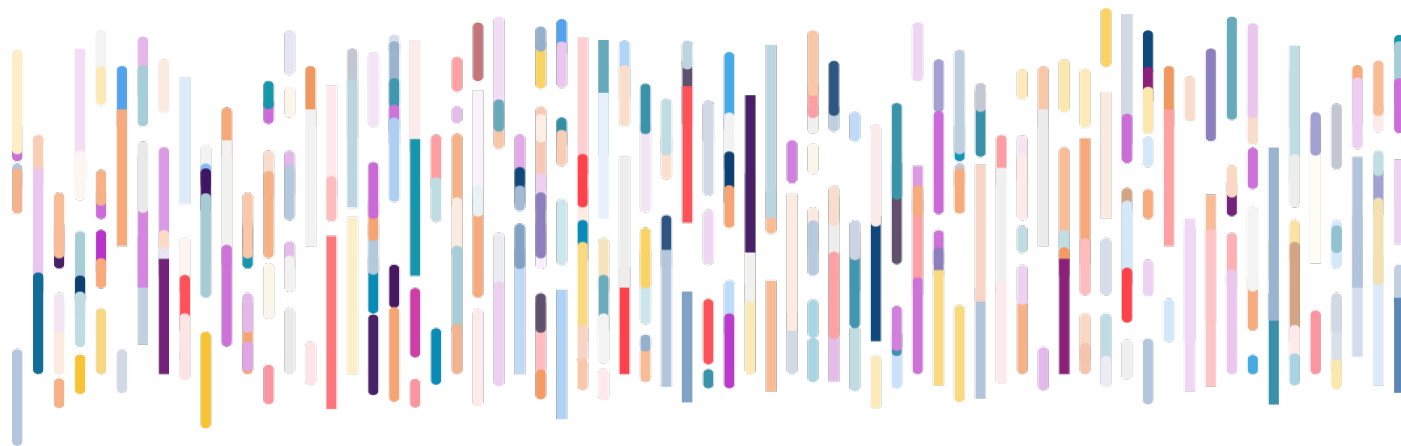




Artur Lind Scholarship Fund

2002

The Artur Linnu Scholarship Fund, established at the Estonian Genome Foundation in collaboration with ERGO Insurance, awarded two scholarships of 7,500 kroons each. These were given to **Angela Ivask** (1st-year master's student in genetic engineering at Tallinn University of Technology) and **Valeria Sizemskaja** (1st-year master's student in virology at the University of Tartu) for outstanding academic and research achievements. In March 2002, the second Artur Linnu scholarship competition was announced, offering two scholarships of 12,000 kroons each for the 2002-2003 academic year. Out of 18 applications, the scholarships were awarded to **Meelis Kadaja** (2nd-year master's student in virology at the University of Tartu) and **Piret Laht** (1st-year master's student in genetic engineering at Tallinn University of Technology).

2003

In May, the third Artur Linnu scholarship competition received 18 applications. Due to the high quality of the applications, the Scholarship Fund Council decided to award three scholarships of 12,000 kroons each for the 2003-2004 academic year instead of the initially planned two. The recipients were **Pille Hallast** and **Signe Värvi** (1st-year master's students in genetic engineering at the University of Tartu) and **Kert Mätlik** (4th-year undergraduate student in genetic engineering at Tallinn University of Technology).

2004

In May, the fourth Artur Linnu scholarship competition received 14 applications from graduate and undergraduate students at the University of Tartu and Tallinn University of Technology. Due to the uniformly high quality of the applications, the Scholarship Fund Council decided to award four scholarships of 12,000 kroons each for the 2004-2005 academic year instead of the initially planned two. The recipients were **Kristel Vabrit** and **Vladimir Vimberg** (1st-year master's students in genetic engineering at the University of Tartu), **Johanna Kase** (4th-year undergraduate student in genetic engineering at the University of Tartu), and **Eve-Ly Ojangu** (3rd-year doctoral student in genetic engineering at Tallinn University of Technology). A total of 48,000 kroons was awarded in scholarships in 2004.

2005

During the reporting period, the fifth Artur Linnu scholarship competition received 26 applications. Due to the uniformly high quality of the applications, the Scholarship Fund Council decided to award five scholarships of 12,000 kroons each for the 2005-2006 academic year. The recipients were **Georgi Hudjašov** (1st-year master's student in genetic engineering at the University of Tartu), **Mari Sepp** (1st-year master's student in genetic engineering at Tallinn University of Technology), **Rya Ero** (1st-year master's student in molecular biology at the University of Tartu), **Hannes Luidalepp** (1st-year master's student in molecular and cell biology at the University of Tartu), and **Anastassia Voronova** (4th-year undergraduate student in genetic engineering at Tallinn University of Technology). A total of 60,000 kroons was awarded in scholarships in 2005.

2006

During the reporting period, the sixth Artur Linnu scholarship competition received 21 applications. Based on the previous decision of the Estonian Genome Foundation, six scholarships of 15,000 kroons each were awarded for the 2006-2007 academic year. The recipients were **Anna Balikova**, **Ene Reimann**, **Anastassia Runina**, and **Helin Räägel** (master's students in genetic engineering at the University of Tartu), **Vallo Varik** (master's student in molecular and cell biology at the University of Tartu), and **Hanna Tulmin** (master's student in genetic engineering at Tallinn University of Technology).

2007

During the reporting period, the seventh Artur Linnu scholarship competition received 19 applications. Based on the previous decision of the Estonian Genome Foundation, six scholarships of 15,000 kroons each were awarded for the 2007-2008 academic year. The recipients were **Mari Järve**, **Natalja Tšertova**, and **Margus Varjak** (master's students in genetic engineering at the University of Tartu), **Priit Palta** (master's student in bioinformatics at the University of Tartu), **Kalle Kipper** (doctoral student in molecular and cell biology at the University of Tartu), and **Indrek Koppel** (master's student in genetic engineering at Tallinn University of Technology).

2008

During the reporting period, the eighth Artur Linnu scholarship competition received 13 properly formulated applications. Based on the previous decision of the Estonian Genome Foundation, four scholarships of 15,000 kroons each were awarded for the 2008-2009 academic year. The recipients were **Tõnu Esko** (1st-year master's student in genetic engineering at the University of Tartu), **Kaur Jaanson** (1st-year master's student in genetic engineering at Tallinn University of Technology), **Priit Adler** (1st-year doctoral student in bioinformatics at the University of Tartu), and **Olga Katargina** (1st-year doctoral student in genetic engineering at Tallinn University of Technology).

2009

During the reporting period, the ninth Artur Linnu scholarship competition received eight properly formulated applications. Based on the previous decision of the Estonian Genome Foundation, one scholarship of 15,000 kroons was awarded for the 2009-2010 academic year. The recipient was **Jüri Reimand** (3rd-year doctoral student in bioinformatics at the University of Tartu).

2010

The tenth Artur Linnu scholarship competition received 12 properly formulated applications. Based on the previous decision of the Estonian Genome Foundation, four scholarships of 15,000 kroons each were awarded for the 2010-2011 academic year. The recipients were **Marina Grigorova** and **Helin Räägel** (doctoral students in molecular and cell biology at the University of Tartu), **Riin Tamm** (doctoral student in genetic engineering at the University of Tartu), and **Elo Madisson** (master's student in genetic engineering at the University of Tartu).

2011

The eleventh Artur Linnu scholarship competition received 12 properly formulated applications. Based on the previous decision of the Estonian Genome Foundation, four scholarships of 1,000 EUR each were awarded for the 2011-2012 academic year. The recipients were **Marko Lööke and Ott Scheler** (doctoral students in molecular and cell biology at the University of Tartu), **Kaspar Valgepea** (doctoral student in chemistry and genetic engineering at Tallinn University of Technology), and **Ingrid Lekk** (master's student in genetic engineering at Tallinn University of Technology).

2012

The twelfth Artur Linnu scholarship competition received 10 properly formulated applications. Based on the previous decision of the Estonian Genome Foundation, three scholarships of 1,000 EUR each were awarded for the 2012-2013 academic year. The recipients were **Rainis Venta** (doctoral student in biomedical technology at the University of Tartu), **Agne Velthut** (doctoral student in genetic engineering at Tallinn

University of Technology), and **Andres Ainelo** (master's student in genetic engineering at the University of Tartu).

2013

The thirteenth Artur Linnu scholarship competition received five properly formulated applications. Based on the previous decision of the Estonian Genome Foundation, the initially allocated amount for two scholarships (2,500 EUR) was used to award one scholarship for the 2013-2014 academic year. The recipient was **Margus Varjak** (4th-year doctoral student in molecular and cell biology at the University of Tartu).



2024

In 2024, the Artur Linnu Scholarship Fund was reinstated. Candidates were asked to submit their CVs and a 3-5 minute video on the topic "Genetic Science and Me 10 Years from Now." A total of 17 properly formulated applications were received. The scholarship committee recommended awarding five scholarships in the total amount of 5,250 EUR. The recipients were **Rita Kreevan** (4th-year doctoral student in genetchnology at the University of Tartu, Institute of Genomics), **Kertu Liis Krigul** (4th-year doctoral student in genetchnology at the University of Tartu, Institute of Genomics), **Telver Objärtel** (1st-year doctoral student in genomics at the University of Tartu, Institute of Genomics), **Kateryna Pantiukh** (1st-year doctoral student in genomics at the University of Tartu, Institute of Genomics) ja **Kristiina Kurg** (4th-year doctoral student in Biomedical technology at the University of Tartu, Institute of Technology).

2025

In 2025 the candidates were asked to submit their CVs and a 3-5 minute video on the topic "Human and Artificial Intelligence in Science in 2035". A total of 5 properly formulated applications were received. The scholarship committee recommended awarding 3 scholarships in the total amount of 5,000 EUR. The main prize went to **Merve Nur Güler** (1st year PhD student in genomics at University of Tartu, Institute of Genomics). Prize for artistic achievement went to **Birgit Malken** (2nd year PhD student in genomics at University of Tartu, Institute of Genomics). And a special award for content wen to **Marilyn Moor** (1st year PhD student at University of Tartu, Institute of Computer Science).

2026

In 2025 the candidates were asked to submit their CVs and a 3-5 minute video on the topic "Beyond the Lab: The Human Impact of My Science". A total of 11 properly formulated applications were received. The scholarship committee recommended awarding 3 scholarships in the total amount of 5,000 EUR. The main prize went to **Anu Valkna** (4th year PhD student in Medicine at University of Tartu, Institute of Biomedicine and Translational Medicine). 2 other prizes went to: **Kai Tätte** (4th year PhD student in Gene Technology at University of Tartu, Institute of Genomics); and **Kerli Ilves** (4th year PhD student in Genomics at University of Tartu, Institute of Genomics).