My FST Moment – Terms and Conditions

Organizer and Term

The organizer is **Fine Science Tools GmbH, Vangerowstraße 14, 69115 Heidelberg, Germany** (hereinafter "**FST**"). The promotion runs from **November 15, 2026,** at **00:00 a.m. CET**, through **December 15, 2026, at 11:59 p.m. CET**.

Eligibility

Eligible participants are those whose address as stated in their customer account is located in one of the countries that can be selected as a country of delivery in the FST web store (excluding China). Natural persons aged 18 and older are eligible to participate. Only one entry per person is permitted. Representatives and employees of FST and Fine Science Tools (USA), Inc., as well as jury members, are excluded from participation.

Requirements for Participation

Participation is free of charge. Anyone with a customer account in the FST web store at www.finescience.com may participate in the promotion. A customer account can be created at any time. Once the participant is logged into their customer account, they can access the entry form for the promotion.

Uploading Photos with a Story

Using the entry form, participants can upload one or more photos along with a short, personal story related to FST, research, or the participant's scientific work.

All further communication between FST and the participant will take place via the email address provided by the participant on the entry form.

Participation is not contingent on placing an order with FST, and all participants have an equal chance of winning regardless of whether they have placed a previous order.

Content of Submissions, Publication, and Granting of Rights

By participating, the participant warrants that he or she holds all necessary rights, permissions, and consents for the submitted photos and text. Submissions must not contain any confidential or unpublished research information, patient or test subject data, and must not infringe upon the rights of third parties. Likewise, no illegal, pornographic, discriminatory, offensive, violence-glorifying, or otherwise inappropriate

content may be uploaded. FST reserves the right to exclude submissions that violate these guidelines from the promotion.

The publication by FST of the submissions submitted by the winners of the 1st through the 10th prize is an essential part of the “My FST Moment” promotion. By uploading their submissions to the promotion website, participants agree that, if they place in the top 10, FST may publish the submitted photos and accompanying story on the promotion website, in the FST web store, and on FST’s social media channels. The participant hereby grants FST the irrevocable, exclusive, transferable, sublicensable, worldwide, and perpetual right to publish the submitted photos and text on the promotion website, in the FST web store, and on FST’s social media channels.

The above grant of rights of use cannot be revoked.

Submissions will be published without additional compensation. The names, contact information, and companies/institutions of the winners will not be published.

Winners and Prizes

This is **not** a random drawing. Between December 15, 2026, and January 15, 2027, a jury consisting of FST employees and Managing Directors will select the ten most compelling eligible submissions based on relevance to the theme, authenticity, quality, and creativity. The winners will receive the following prizes:

- **1st Prize: “Create your own Kit” valued at up to 1,500 USD/EUR**
- **2nd Prize: FST web store gift certificate worth 750 USD/EUR**
- **3rd Prize: one Bonn-Gawenda pair of scissors (14854-10)**
- **4th–10th Prize: one FST-branded backpack each**

The currency (EUR or USD) in which the value of the 1st prize is calculated or the FST web store gift card is issued depends on which FST office the address of the participant is assigned to: If the address is assigned to the Europe Office the prize is in EUR; if the address is assigned to the U.S. Office, the prize is in USD.

Winners will be notified by email by **January 15, 2027**.

The 1st and 2nd prizes must be redeemed by **March 31, 2027**.

The FST web store gift certificate can be redeemed via email or in the FST web store. The following applies:

- If the participant wishes to redeem the gift certificate via email when placing an order, the gift certificate code must be included in the email.

- If the participant wishes to redeem the gift certificate when placing an order in the FST web store, the gift certificate code must be entered in the order notes field.

Prizes 3 through 10 will be mailed to the winners' addresses listed in their customer accounts by **January 31, 2027**.

Prizes are non-transferable and cannot be redeemed for cash.

Legal recourse is excluded.

Other Terms and Conditions

FST may exclude participants from the promotion in the event of violations of these terms and conditions or manipulation.

FST may extend the promotion.

FST may modify, suspend, or terminate the promotion for good cause.

This promotion cannot be combined with other promotions, sweepstakes, gift certificates, grants, bonuses, or discount offers from FST.

The prize may not be claimed for the purpose of resale.

FST reserves the right to verify registrations for compliance with these Terms and Conditions and, if necessary, to refuse to ship the prize.

If a participant registers using misleading, false, or fraudulent information, their registration will not be activated. If a participant violates these Terms and Conditions, provides false personal information, uses unfair means, and/or attempts to participate in the promotion more often than permitted by these Terms and Conditions, FST is entitled to exclude him or her from the promotion. FST will notify the participant via email that his or her registration will not be processed further or that he or she is excluded from participating in the promotion. If grounds for exclusion exist, FST is entitled – even retroactively – to refuse participation in the promotion, to reclaim any prizes or gift certificates already awarded, to refuse redemption of the gift certificates, or to demand compensation equivalent to the value of any prize already received.

Participants may not request payment of the prize in cash or by check.

By uploading their submissions, the participant agrees to the terms and conditions of participation.

Should the promotion constitute a taxable benefit, the obligation to pay taxes rests with the recipient of the prize.

Further information can be found at https://finescience.com/service/my-fst-moment/ or at www.finescience.com.

Contact for Inquiries

Participants may contact FST with any questions via email at my.fst.moment@finescience.com or by phone at +49 6221 9050 559.

Final Provisions

If one or more provisions of these Terms and Conditions are or become invalid or void, or contain a gap, the validity of the remaining provisions of these Terms and Conditions shall remain unaffected. The parties undertake to reach an agreement on a valid provision in place of the invalid or void provision that most closely reflects the parties' intended purpose as expressed in the invalid or void provision. To the extent that one or more provisions of these Terms and Conditions contain gaps, the legally valid provisions that the contracting parties would have agreed upon in accordance with the economic objectives of the Terms and Conditions and the purpose of these Terms and Conditions – had they been aware of the gap – shall be deemed agreed upon to fill such gaps.

The laws of the Federal Republic of Germany shall apply excluding the United Nations Convention on Contracts for the International Sale of Goods (CISG) and excluding conflict-of-laws provisions.