



# **The European DNA Day Essay Contest**

**17<sup>th</sup> Annual European DNA Day Essay and Video  
Contest for High School Students**

## **DNADay 2024**

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**Meeting of the European Human Genetics Societies**

**June 2024**



# The European DNA Day Essay Contest

## Evolution of the DNADay Essay

2008

- Invitation from ASHG to partner with them in DNADay
- Branch of the Education Committee

2009

- Submission from ESHG Website  
[www.dnaday.eu](http://www.dnaday.eu)



## The European DNA Day Essay Contest

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### DNA DAY

- See the Winners 2015

### European DNA Day Essay Contest 2015

8<sup>th</sup> Annual European DNA Day Essay Contest for High School Students

**The winners have been selected!**

See this page for all details



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## Evolution of the DNADay Essay Contest

Statistics since the beginning of the DNA Day Essay Contest in 2009 (videos were started in 2018):



2,559  
Essays



71  
Videos

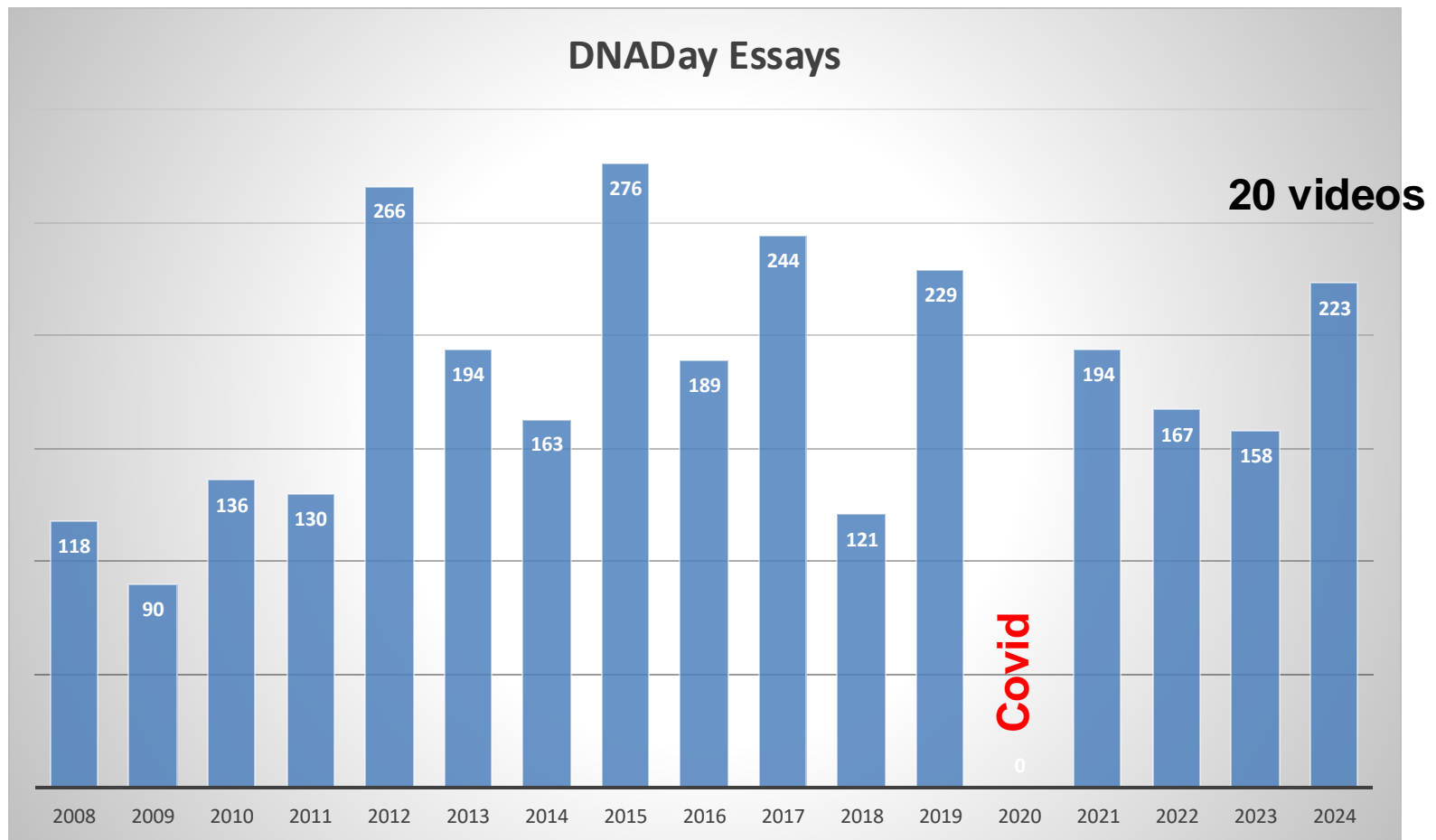


46  
Countries



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## Evolution of the DNADay Essay Contest





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## Evolution of the DNADay Essay

2008 : Italy (50)

2009 : MZ (33)

2010 : Italy (34)

2011 : Italy (54)

2012 : Italy (57)

2013 : Romania (44)

2014 : Italy (33)

2015 : BH (59)

2016 : Turkey (49)

2017 : Turkey (47)

2018 : Turkey (35)

2019 : Turkey (107)

**2020 : -**

2021 : Turkey (85)

2022 : Turkey (90)

2023 : Turkey (61)

**2024 DNADay Essays : TURKEY (97)**

**2024 DNADay Videos : TURKEY (8)**



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## Important Dates

**September:** Submissions opens

**April 25:** Deadline for the submission to the European Society of Human Genetics

**April 25:** DNA DAY

**April 25 – June 10:** An international jury of scientists are judging the submissions

**Mid June:** Essay contest winners will be announced to the public



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## What's the 2024 topic?

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Given the growing impact of Artificial Intelligence on our lives, the ESHG has decided to make A.I. part of the contest instead of banning it. this year's question is:

**Ask an Artificial Intelligence chat of your choice to write a 350 word essay on the topic: "Is the human Y-chromosome vanishing in the future?"**

Decide:

- **In a 750 word essay of your own, OR**
- **In a short video (max. 5 min) of your own,**

**discuss the result and its consequences, should the public believe the content of the A.I. essay was actually true.**



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## Goals of the DNADay

- The essay contest is meant as a learning tool
- To promote knowledge of genetics within Europe
- Challenge students to examine, question and reflect on the importance and social implications of genetic research and its applications
- Essays are expected to contain substantive, well-reasoned arguments

<b>A. Overall accuracy of genetic content (0-7 pts)</b>	<b>B. Use of evidence to support an argument (0-3 pts)</b>	<b>C. Is the essay focused on question? (0-3 pts)</b>	<b>D. Writing quality (clear thesis, composition) (0-5 pts)</b>	<b>E. References and citations (0-2 pts for several high-quality sources)</b>
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## Prizes

### **First Place Winner: EUR 400**

In addition, sponsoring teachers of 1st place students will receive **EUR 1,000** to organise a science project.

### **Second Place Winner: EUR 300**

In addition, sponsoring teachers of 2nd place students will receive **EUR 800** to organise a science project.

### **Third Place Winner: EUR 200**

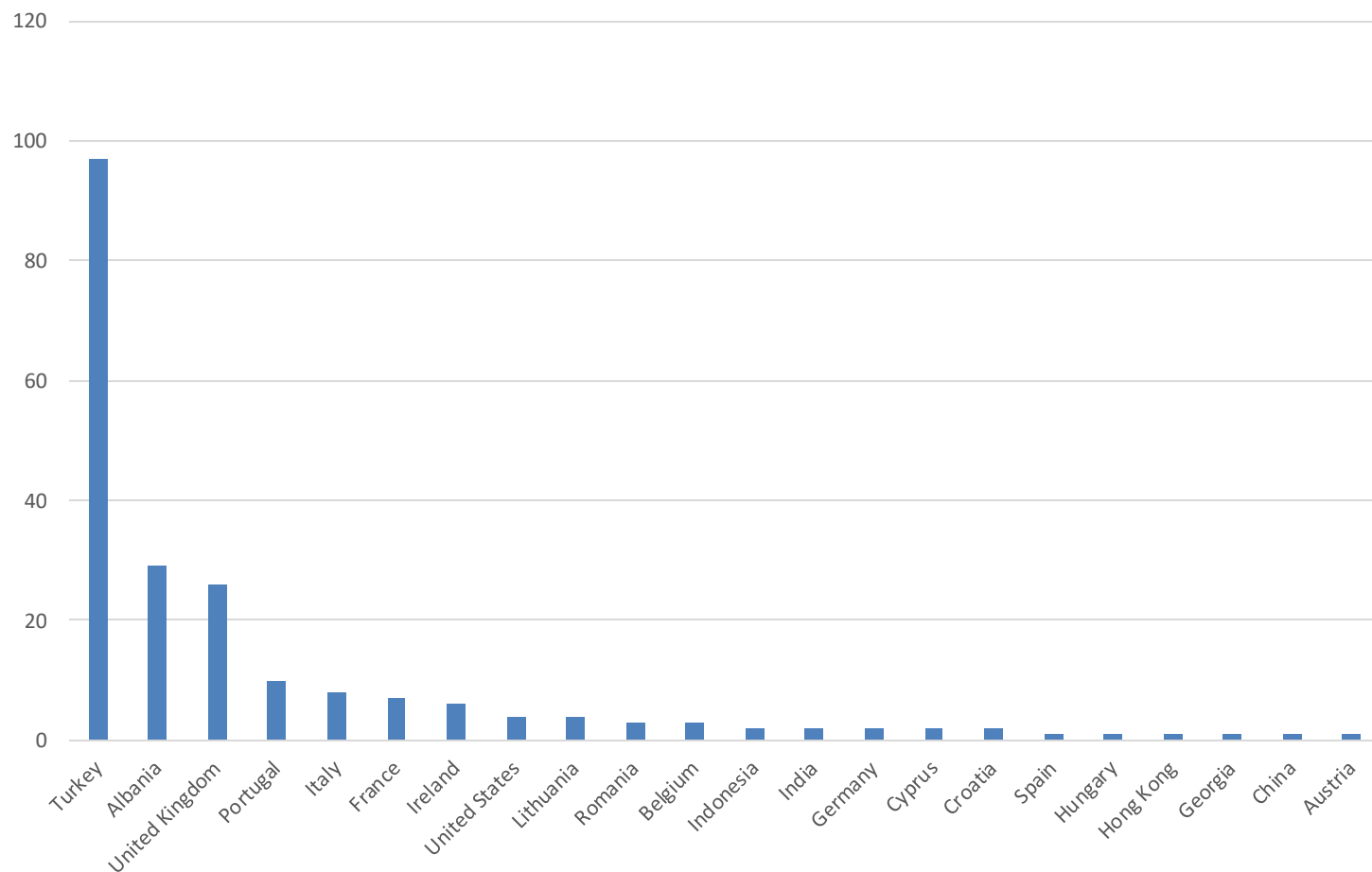
In addition, sponsoring teachers of 3rd place students will receive **EUR 500** to organise a science project.

**All participants will receive a certificate of appreciation for their participation in the contest.**



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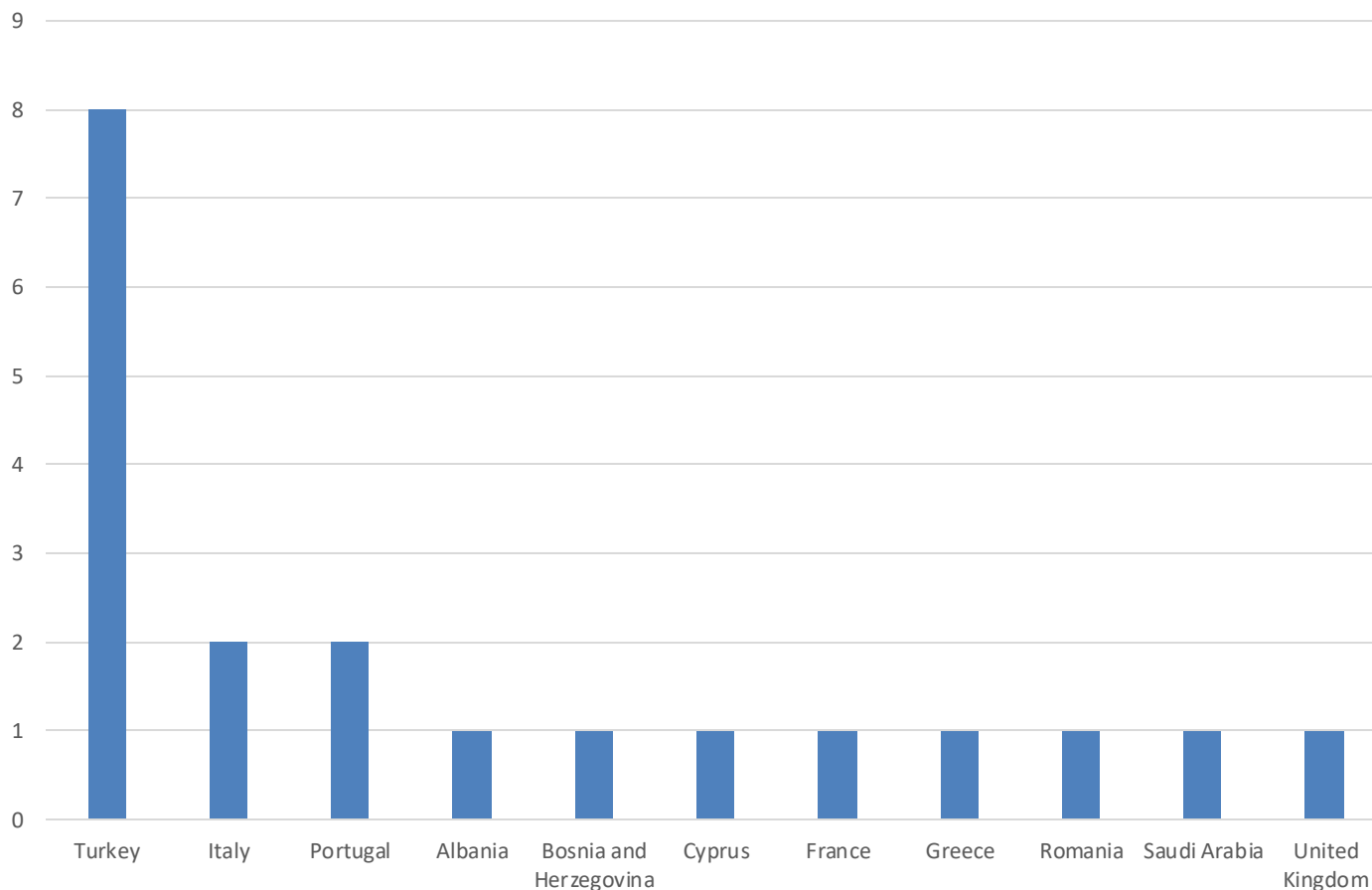
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## DNADay 2024 // ESSAY

**1<sup>st</sup> Place: Penelope HOBBS – United Kingdom**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Sinan BEZCIOGLU - Turkey**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Giovanni Elvina SUTHIANA – Indonesia**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Doga SELE - Turkey**

## DNADay 2024 // VIDEO

**1<sup>st</sup> Place: Daria Ana Maria PANDELICA – Romania**

[https://tools.medacad.org/wp-content/uploads/gravity\\_forms/11-7bf79a42005c54a317c28ea548c7767f/2024/04/DariaPandelica.mp4](https://tools.medacad.org/wp-content/uploads/gravity_forms/11-7bf79a42005c54a317c28ea548c7767f/2024/04/DariaPandelica.mp4)

**2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Magdalene CHAN – United Kingdom**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Samet TASCI - Turkey**



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**Thanks for your attention**