

Research Grants - Call for Proposals 2014

Submission Deadline 31st July, 2014

Synapsis Foundation - Alzheimer Research Switzerland ARS announces a **Research Grants** competition. The goal of the Synapsis Foundation is to support innovative research projects on Alzheimer's disease and other neurodegenerative disorders.

Priority will be given to support young researchers - postdoctoral and PhD projects that are carried out at Swiss universities and research institutions. Research projects conducted at research institutions outside of Switzerland cannot be considered within this Call for Proposals.

A Synapsis Foundation project funding is granted up to CHF 300'000 for a period of maximum 3 years (e.g. CHF 100'000 per year for a three-year project). Institutions may not charge indirect or overhead costs on these awards.

TOPICS

- Basic research in genetics, molecular and cell biology of Alzheimer's disease and related dementing illnesses
- Innovative approaches towards the pre-symptomatic diagnosis of Alzheimer's disease. We welcome high-risk proposals based on sound science and on truly original ideas

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

All applications must be submitted by the principal investigator, in English. The project proposal form is available under www.Alzheimer-Synapsis.ch/callforproposals2014 and should include:

- Scientific abstract
- Introduction to the topic
- Specific goals of the project and detailed research plan
- Detailed budget
- Disclosure of all other funding sources (confirmed and pending decisions)
- Curriculum vitae (incl. a list of top 10 papers)

All applications must be submitted electronically to Grants@Alzheimer-Synapsis.ch

EVALUATION

Proposals will be evaluated by the Scientific Advisory Board of the Synapsis Foundation. The central criteria for evaluation are originality, scientific quality, feasibility, experience and past performance of the main applicant, as well as relevance to the call. Grants are awarded on a competitive basis. Final decision for funding lies with the Board of Trustees of the foundation. The decision of the Board of Trustees is final and no correspondence will be entered into.

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Funding decisions will be announced by December 15th, 2014.

CONTACT

If you have questions regarding:

- the application and/or the submission process, please contact the deputy managing director of the Synapsis Foundation Viktorija Rion - Grants@Alzheimer-Synapsis.ch, +41 76 496 67 69.
- the scientific aspects of the Call for Proposals, please contact the chair of the Scientific Advisory Board Prof. Adriano Aguzzi, +41 44 255 21 07.