

Fund iris-Research

Clinical and translational multicentric research in the hospitals of the iris-network

CALL FOR PROJECTS 2023

The Fund iris-Research was created to stimulate clinical and translational research in the hospitals of the iris-network as well as the collaboration between these hospitals. The Fund is managed by the King Baudouin Foundation with the help of a scientific jury and a management committee. In October 2022, a new call for research projects is launched (selection 2023). Applications for fellowships or training grants are also eligible.

Call 2023

The topic of the call is: **Clinical and translational multicentric research with a potential impact on diagnosis and/or treatment**

Eligible applicants for a research project

- The promotor of the research project must be working at one of the hospitals of the iris-network, which means: Brugmann University Hospital, Saint-Pierre University Hospital, Iris Hospital South, Queen Fabiola Children's University Hospital, Jules Bordet Institute.
- The research projects must be multicentric, i.e. including at least 2 of the 5 hospitals of the iris-network and involving a well-documented complementary contribution. Extra partnerships with hospitals outside the network are welcome but they can be financed for up to 20% of the total budget requested.
- The promotor or co-promotor of the project must be a confirmed academic researcher.
- The promotor must add the co-signature of the medical direction of his/her hospital. The medical director of the hospital submitting the project acts as guarantor so that the scientific and practical (aim, material and methods) aspects of the work can be completed within that hospital.
- The funding should enable the researcher/research team to launch a new research line or to continue an existing research project. The funding will not assume the whole budget. It is meant to stimulate research, which means that the major part of the requested budget has to be used for research purposes and not to finance structural personnel or functioning costs.
Clinical as well as translational research projects are eligible.

Research projects that do not respect the eligibility criteria will not be evaluated by the jury.



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Eligible applicants for a fellowship project

- The person asking for a fellowship or training grant must be working at one of the hospitals of the iris-network. He/she must add the co-signature of the medical direction of his/her hospital, as a guarantor of the scientific and practical (aim, material and methods) accomplishment of the training.
- The acquired competences should have a demonstrated interest for the hospitals (at least 2 of them) of the iris-network.
- Laureates of previous calls may reapply if they have submitted all activity reports/publications related to the previous call(s) as required by the agreement.
- Unsuccessful candidates from previous calls may resubmit their project on condition that they have made the necessary improvements as suggested in the jury's feedback.

The demand of fellowship or training grant that does not respect the criteria regarding the applicant, will not be evaluated by the jury.

Selection criteria

- Scientific quality of the project
- Scientific quality of the researcher/research team
- Potential impact of the results on diagnosis, treatment, follow-up ...
- Feasibility of the project
- Interest of the results for the hospitals of the iris-network.
- Clear budget description

The research and fellowship projects will be rated by the Jury according to those criteria.

Grants

The maximum amount per project is € 25.000. In exceptional cases, when it concerns a project of highest interest and impact, the jury can decide to award a higher amount up to a maximum of € 40.000. A total amount up to approximately € 250.000 will be allocated to support several projects chosen among the best projects selected by the Jury.

Procedure

If interested, please submit an online application via the website of the King Baudouin Foundation www.kbs-frb.be.

The applications must be introduced online by the **06/03/2023** at the latest.

Candidates will receive confirmation that their application was received.

The applications will be evaluated by the Jury. The final selection will be made by the management committee of the Fund in May 2023.

All parties will be informed of the decision beginning of **June 2023**.



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