

Fund Doctor Gustave Delport Fund Maria-Elisa & Guillaume De Beys

Fundamental research on psychiatric disorders

CALL FOR PROJECTS 2024

The Funds Doctor Gustave Delport and Maria-Elisa & Guillaume De Beys were created to support **research on the biological aspects of psychiatric disorders**.

The Funds are managed by the King Baudouin Foundation with the help of an international scientific jury and a Steering Committee.

The Funds are launching a joint call for fundamental research on the biological aspect of psychiatric disorders.

Subject of the call

The call 2024 concerns:

“Fundamental research on the biological aspect of the psychiatric disorders.”

The Funds will support a **fundamental research project** on the **biological aspects of psychiatric disorders**, including research domains such as genetics, biochemistry, neurophysiology, neuroplasticity, medical imaging, pharmacology, computational

The funding should enable the researcher to launch a new research line or to continue an existing research project.

Grant

- A total amount of € 130.000 is available to support maximum one research project for a period of two years.
- In case of insufficient high-quality projects, the jury and the Management Committee reserve the right not to spend the full amount available.
- The grant will be made available in instalments conditional upon approval of the activity reports.
- The main applicant will be invited to present the final activity report to the jury and fund steering committee upon conclusion of the grant.
- No overhead can be deducted from grants up to € 30.000 included. For higher amounts, the overhead cannot exceed 15%.

The Foundation will only fund not-for-profit organizations. For-profit organizations (e.g. biopharmaceutical companies) can be part of a research team but are excluded from funding.



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Eligible applicants

The call is open

- to young researchers, i.e. holding a doctorate for a maximum of 8 years following their PhD thesis (with additional time in case of documented career breaks).
- to researchers in Belgium working in an academic centre, university hospital, university college or research centre.

The research project must be formally supported by the head of department.

The project is initiated and coordinated in Belgium.

Collaborative projects are encouraged. Projects that involve collaboration of international research teams must be initiated and coordinated by the team based in Belgium.

Selection criteria

Scientific quality of the project

- Design, including a timeline, statistics, sample calculation.
- Feasibility of the proposed study, including feasibility to complete the study within the proposed timing.
- Innovative approaches.

Relevance/added-value of the research to existing knowledge/clinical practices

- Added-value of the research to existing knowledge/practices.
- The proposal includes an assessment of the necessity and relevance of the research question, including the long-term patient perspective.

Involvement of stakeholders

- List of key stakeholders and clear description of how they will be involved in the research and how their expertise will be taken into account.

Potential of the main applicant and research team

- Previous research achievements of the main applicant since the start of their career.
- Career potential of main applicant (creativity, management skills, (inter)national visibility etc...).
- Potential of the research team & collaborating teams: scientific environment, competence, experience, added value of the collaboration.

Potential impact

- of the results on diagnosis/prognosis/treatment.
- of the research on quality of care/quality of life.
- of the research for patients, their family and/or professionals.
- of the research on society.



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Perspective of implementation of the results

- The proposal has to include a clear plan for the implementation of the study results.

Dissemination of the study

- The proposal must include a clear plan for the communication of the study results.

Justification of the budget

Ethical questions & gender issues

- A description of how ethical issues, if any, are taken into account. If the project has to be submitted to an Ethics Committee, researchers should :
 - mention the N° of submission to the ethical committee in the application file.
 - send ethical approval before the project can start (but not before the introduction of the application).
- A description of how gender/diversity issues, if any, are taken into account.

Procedure

If you are interested, please submit **an online application** via the website of the King Baudouin Foundation www.kbs-frb.be. Applications should be submitted **in English** by **28/08/2024** at midnight at the latest. Candidates will receive an acknowledgement of receipt.

Selection

Applications will be submitted to an independent scientific jury.

The jury will assess the projects and will draw up recommendations for the Funds' Steering Committee, which will make the final decision.

The decision will be published on the website of the King Baudouin Foundation in December 2024.

Contact

- For technical assistance during the application process:
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