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Improving the quality of care <u>and</u> the quality of life of patients with Multiple Sclerosis and their relatives.

Call for research projects 2022

The Funds Claire Fauconnier, Ginette Kryksztein & José and Marie Philippart-Hoffelt were created to support multiple sclerosis research (MS).

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

Subject of the call 2022

The Funds Claire Fauconnier, Ginette Kryksztein & José and Marie Philippart-Hoffelt are launching a first joint call for projects. The topic of this call is:

Improving the quality of care <u>and</u> the quality of life of patients with Multiple Sclerosis and their relatives.

It aims to improve their daily life, by alleviating the physical and psychological disturbances due to MS or by preventing its potential physical and psychosocial consequences.

Eligible applicants

The call is open to health care teams and organizations based in Belgium. Their activities should be centred on the care of patients suffering from MS and their relatives (medical, social, psychological care, etc.). Collaboration between different teams is encouraged.

The project is initiated and coordinated in Belgium.

All candidates must be explicitly supported by a confirmed researcher (e.g. holds a PhD or clear research experience) in a letter in which he confirms what he expects of this project and the scientific value of it. He does not need to be part of the research team.

For candidates who are not comfortable with completing project's call, it is recommended to seek the support of someone with experience.

Grants

- A financial support of € 160.000 is available for this call. In case of several high-level projects, support may be given to one or two projects, with a maximal total amount for this call of € 160.000.
- No overhead can be deducted from grants up to € 30.000 included. For higher amounts, the overhead cannot exceed 15%.

Selection criteria

- Scientific quality of the project, including quality of the design of the research and the innovative approaches;
- Added value of the project to existing care;
- Track record of the researcher and the research team;
- Impact of the research for the patients, especially their quality of life, and for their family



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and/or caregivers;

- Implication of the stakeholders and how their expertise is taken into account in the research.
- Plan of implementation and follow-up of the research results.
- Adequacy of the budget
- Ethical questions & Clinical trials
 - A description on how ethical issues are taken into account.
 - Researchers should obtain Ethical Approval for the studies before the project can start (but not before the introduction of the application).

Procedure

If you are interested, please submit an **online application** via the website of the King Baudouin Foundation <u>www.kbs-frb.be</u>.

The applications must be submitted in English by 28/09/2022 at midnight at the latest. Candidates will receive a confirmation that their application was well received.

Selection

An independent jury will assess the projects and will draw up recommendations for the Fund Steering Committee managed by the King Baudouin Foundation which will make the final decision. The decision will be published in December 2022.

Contact

- For technical assistance during the application process: Contact centre – Tel +32-(0)2 500 45 55 – proj@kbs-frb.be
- For information regarding the call: Isabelle Nguyen – Tel +32-(0)2-549 03 00 – nguyen.i@mandate.kbs-frb.be

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