

FONDA^MENTAL-SERVIER GRANTS FOR 2017

POST-DOCTORAL RESEARCH FELLOWSHIPS

CALL FOR PROPOSALS: RULES AND REGULATIONS

Objectives

In partnership with the Servier Research Group, the Fondation FondaMental will award fellowships to qualified individuals at the postdoctoral level to pursue full-time research training in scientific research projects in ongoing mental health areas supported by the Foundation.

Candidates and applications

This call for application is targeted to:

- Young research scientists, including physicians, biologists or psychologists,
- Research scientists hosted by a team within the Fondation FondaMental Network or by a team collaborating in this specific project, either in France or abroad.
- Research scientists whose scientific supervisor must to be affiliated to a team belonging to the Fondation FondaMental Network before the launch of this call.

The application must be written in English.

Applicants should pay particular attention to the description of methodology, to allow evaluators to assess relevance, statistical power and feasibility of the project.

Areas of research

The research project must relate to one of Fondation FondaMental's target disorders:

- bipolar disorder
- schizophrenia
- high-functioning autism (Asperger Syndrome)
- suicidal behavior
- treatment-resistant depression
- refractory obsessive–compulsive disorder
- post-traumatic stress disorder,

and must be developed in one of the following research areas

- Etiology and Physiopathology (mechanisms, biomarkers, risk factors...)
- Epidemiology et cost studies
- Clinic and therapeutic Innovations (diagnostic tools, medical devices...)

Process and award criteria

After compliance and eligibility checking by the FondaMental Research Committee, the dossiers will be assessed by a Scientific Selection Committee composed by representatives of the Fondation FondaMental and the Servier Research Group. The projects will be evaluated and prioritized on the basis of the following key criteria:

- scientific and innovative value
- quality of candidate supervision
- technical feasibility of the project

Finally, based on all evaluations and comments, the Executive Committee of the Fondation FondaMental will decide the allocation of the grants.

Financing

Grants are awarded for a one-year period, renewable for one further year for project continuity. Funding will be allocated as a 1-year fixed duration employment contract and cannot be combined with any other funding. The fellowship provides a stipend from 50.000€ to a maximal of 56.000€, depending on the experience of the winners, and corresponding to a gross annual income around 32.000€ to 35.000€.

As stated in the Fondation FondaMental's rules and regulations, the Fondation FondaMental requests to be mentioned in the affiliation of the publications that it has funded.

Commitment of the awardees

The awardees are committed to actively participate to the meetings were they will be invited by the Fondation FondaMental or the sponsor to present their projects and results.

Application forms can be downloaded at
www.fondation-fondamental.org and www.servier.fr

Deadline for application: June 9, 2017 (midnight)

Award Decision: mid-July, 2017