

# ERS GOLD MEDALS GUIDELINES



The ERS Gold Medals are financially supported by various companies:

- ERS Gold Medal in **Asthma** - AstraZeneca
- ERS Gold Medal in **COPD** – Boehringer Ingelheim
- ERS Gold Medal in **Interstitial Lung Disease (ILD)** – Boehringer Ingelheim

The ERS offers the Gold Medals with a funding of **€50,000** to a researcher who has made outstanding clinical, scientific/research contribution in any sector of respiratory medicine and who is pursuing an active research project in the same field (including basic science, pathophysiology, epidemiology, prevention, clinical practice, diagnosis, treatment, or rehabilitation).

The Grant is exclusively reserved for candidates who are **55 years** of age or under at the time of application deadline. Note that there is no geographical restrictions.

## How to apply?

Application and nomination for the Gold Medals must be made through the online Gold Medal application form by **28 February 2016**.

Get ready and prepare:

- A Curriculum Vitae outlining the applicant's academic background (max. 2 pages)
- A complete list of original peer-reviewed publications with indication of 10 most important papers and a representative list of reviews and other publications relevant for the application. *Abstracts should not be listed.*
- A state of the art summary of career achievement and personal contribution to the field (up to 1,000 words)
- A one-page overview of current research projects indicating the areas of research that the award may be used to support.
- A conflict of interest declaration form completed (Industry and Tobacco).

Please note that the criteria are the same if you **apply** for yourself or if you want to **nominate** someone.

## Evaluation/Selection

Candidates will be evaluated based on past years achievements in asthma, COPD or Interstitial Lung Disease and on potential for future contribution to the scientific field. Only active scientists are eligible. A dedicated committee of reviewers, with specific expertise in the field will be nominated by the ERS Science Council and chaired by the ERS Research Director.

## Grant Amount and benefits:

The Gold Medal amount must be used to support a research or training project in the same field of respiratory medicine awarded and will be split between the awardee (10%) and the institution (90%). The awardees will also be offered the registration and receive an invitation to the ERS Speakers' Dinner (Sunday 4 September 2016). The Awardee will also receive Life ERS Membership.

## Condition & Presence

The selected candidate will have to ensure ERS Membership is active and renewed at notification of selection (when needed) \*.

The presence of the selected candidate at the ERS International Congress is required. The ERS Gold Medals will be presented at the ERS International Congress Opening Ceremony (on Saturday 3 September 2016, London UK).

## Limitations

- Original research should not have been previously sponsored by pharmaceutical industries.
- A same person cannot win twice an ERS Gold Medal.
- ERS current Officers are not eligible for the ERS Gold Medals and other funding programmes (with exception for Group Chairs, Group Secretaries and National Delegates).

Take a look at the 2015 ERS Gold Medals Awardees: [LINK](#)

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