



## Cystic Fibrosis Research Bursaries: supported by Chiesi Limited UK

The European Cystic Fibrosis Society (ECFS) is pleased to announce the availability of educational bursaries to support the dissemination of research into cystic fibrosis at the ECFS conference 2019. **These bursaries have been supported by the provision of funding from Chiesi Limited UK to ECFS.**

There will be sixteen educational bursaries of €400 which will be awarded to sixteen researchers to support attendance at ECFS to present their independent cystic fibrosis research. Applicants must have submitted, and have accepted, abstracts for poster and/or oral presentation at ECFS 2019.

Please see details below for eligibility criteria, application and review process, and presentation of awards. **Chiesi have had involvement in the setting of the criteria for these bursaries, but the processing of all applications (including the advertisement and selection of applicants) will be carried out independently by ECFS.**

Closing date will be 15 May 23:59 CET and all successful applicants will be notified by 29 May 2019.

One representative from ECFS and two members of the Chiesi Medical Team will formally present the educational bursaries during an award dinner at ECFS, on the evening of 6 June. Successful applicants will be encouraged to share their research over dinner, and will have the opportunity for discussion with other bursary-winning innovative researchers in the cystic fibrosis field.

### Eligibility criteria

- Applicants must be a clinical researcher, or a non-medical allied health professional (Nurse, Social Worker, Pharmacist, Physiotherapist, etc.) involved in the field of cystic fibrosis.
- Have original research abstracts already accepted for presentation at ECFS 2019, either for posters or oral presentation.
- Applicants must be the presenting author of the research.
- Bursary applications will be considered where the ECFS accepted abstract focuses on patient-focused, clinical research and/or translational research related to cystic fibrosis.
- Bursary applications will also be considered if related to an area of high unmet need in cystic fibrosis, or related to improvement of the clinical care of cystic fibrosis patients.

## Non-eligibility criteria

- Any ECFS accepted research abstract that does not directly involve information or materials from humans and, in the judgment of the ECFS selection committee is not deemed clinical research, will not be considered.
- Any research not accepted for presentation at ECFS 2019
- Any individual awarded a 2019 ECFS Travel Grant or Young Investigator Award

## Bursary application process

- Applicants are asked to submit their research abstract (as submitted to ECFS) to the ECFS Education Committee (education@ecfs.eu), together with the notification of abstract acceptance from ECFS, and a brief summary of their research explaining why they consider the research to be eligible for a bursary. **Please ensure these are provided in PDF or Word format.**
- All applications will be reviewed against the eligibility criteria after the deadline by the ECFS Education Committee. Successful applicants will be selected based on the scientific merit of the abstract. Eight bursaries will be allocated to UK applicants and eight bursaries will be allocated to non-UK applicants.
- Successful applicants will be notified via e-mail, and their name and Hospital Trust/Research Institute published on the ECFS website.
- Those unsuccessful will be notified by e-mail.

## Bursary recipient responsibilities

The following responsibilities must be assumed and carried out by the bursary recipient:

- All travel, accommodation and ECFS registration should be arranged and paid for by the recipient;
- The recipients must declare that they have received an educational bursary from Chiesi to support the dissemination of their research at ECFS 2019, wherever it is appropriate to do so.