

Dear colleague,

The 13th European CF Young Investigator Meeting will take place at the Institute Pasteur in Paris (France) from February 27th to March 01st 2019. This scientific meeting is organized by the European cystic fibrosis patients' organizations together with the European Cystic Fibrosis Society. It aims at fostering interactions between young scientists in order to create a long-term collaborative European network of CF investigators. The meeting will cover all CF research fields, considering basic research and clinical research.

Forty young investigators (under 40 years old) will be selected by an international scientific committee to present their work on CF. They will be asked to give a 10 minutes' talk and also to present their results on a poster for further discussion.

Leading scientists will moderate the different work sessions, including plenary sessions and roundtable discussions. Moreover, they will give overviews in microbiology, immunology, cell biology, gene therapy, and clinical issues in CF.

The scientific committee will reward the best presentation (talk + poster).

This meeting provides a unique opportunity for young scientists to train themselves and share experience.

Large time periods will be dedicated to networking.

There is no registration fee. Travelling, housing and meals will be covered by the organizers.

Due to your involvement in CF research, we strongly recommend young investigators from your laboratory or hospital to apply for this meeting, which is a major regular event in the CF scientific community.

For application, please fill in the abstract form (<u>https://fr.surveymonkey.com/r/QQ6BZH2</u>) **by November 4th 2018**. Acceptance will be notified as from the 3rd week of December 2018. Further information about the meeting will be provided to selected young investigators.

We are looking forward to receiving your young investigators' applications.

Sincerely yours,

Steering committee

- Dutch Cystic Fibrosis Foundation (*Vincent Gulmans*)
- Lega Italiana Fibrosi Cistica (Luigi Graziano)
- Mucovereniging vzw-asbl Association Muco (*Elise Lammertyn*)
- Mukoviszidose e. V. (Silvia Hafkemeyer)
- Vaincre la Mucoviscidose (Julie Toubas)

<u>Please note</u>: Upon application, the abstract's corresponding author agrees to have the abstract published for the conference and to have author's contact details available to conference delegates.