

MARATONA DA SAÚDE PRIZES FOR RESEARCH IN AUTOIMMUNE DISEASES AND ALLERGIES

PUBLIC NOTICE

Following the Protocol signed between the Fundação para a Ciência e a Tecnologia, IP (FCT) and the Maratona da Saúde Associação (MdS) the call is open for the **Maratona da Saúde Prizes 2018 for Research on Autoimmune Diseases and Allergies**. This Protocol provides for FCT support in the application process, including the definition of the composition of the jury, as well as the procedures for receiving and submitting applications to the jury.

The MdS Prizes, which aim to promote Portuguese scientific research in different areas of biomedicine, are financed by the donations raised during the MdS annual television show, broadcasted by RTP, and by other funds obtained throughout the year in several initiatives with the public.

SCOPE AND RECIPIENTS

The 2018 MdS Prizes will distinguish 2 scientific research projects in the area of Autoimmune Diseases and Allergies to be developed in Portugal for a maximum period of two years and starting between May and October 2019. Applications that include partnerships between research institutions based in Portugal and hospitals or other health institutions, national or foreign, are encouraged.

This call is open for researchers and/or medical doctors, Portuguese or foreign, who have completed their doctoral studies for more than two years at the date of the call opening.

FINANCING

Two prizes will be granted the unit amount of € 20,000 (twenty thousand euros).

COMPETITION PERIOD

Applications must be submitted between **10 October and 9 November, 2018**, by **5 p.m.** (Lisbon time).

EVALUATION AND SELECTION

The evaluation of the applications is carried out by a jury proposed by the FCT, made up of scientists of recognized international merit in the field of biomedicine. The process of evaluation and selection is based on the following criteria:

- Scientific merit, relevance and expected results of the proposed project;
- Scientific productivity of the researcher and / or research team and their qualifications to carry out the project;
- Feasibility of the work programme.

After ranking the best candidates of the competition, the MdS Scientific Council ratifies the decision of the jury and informs the board of MdS, which will approve the winners according to the recommendations obtained.

SUBMISSION OF APPLICATIONS

Applications must be submitted by completing the application form in English, accompanied by the curriculum vitae of the researcher responsible (1 page A4), which can be accessed [here](#).

INFORMATIONS

All questions related to this call should be directed to:

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For more information please consult the [Regulation](#).