



ECOG AND LOUIS BONDUELLE RESEARCH AWARD 2010

REGULATIONS

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I - AIM OF THE AWARD

The **European Childhood Obesity Group (ECOG)** consists of researchers from many European countries. The aim of the association is to create a developing atmosphere in the field of childhood obesity a place where important networking is done, research is supported and education is spread.

The **Louis Bonduelle Foundation**, the aim of which is to promote public interest in vegetables by working to bring about a long-term change in eating habits, is supporting Research on Nutrition and Food Behaviours, by providing financial assistance to original research projects.

ECOG and the LOUIS BONDUELLE FOUNDATION are calling for applications for the :

ECOG and Louis Bonduelle Research Award
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The aim of this Award is to help a unit, hospital department or research laboratory team to cover a part of the financial needs on an original research project or a public health prevention action in the field of Nutrition or Eating Habits in children and adolescents to promote a healthy nutrition and to combat obesity.

The Award is €10,000

II - ELIGIBILITY

The final date for application is:

Friday 30th July 2010

The Award is open to any candidate who submits an achieved or ongoing public health prevention action or research work on Nutrition or Eating Habits in children and adolescents to promote a healthy nutrition and to combat obesity in experimental, clinical, sociological or epidemiological research.

Candidates must specify in the application form any other financial resources or award received for this project.

The jury can split the award in two, allocating € 5000 to each winner.

III - SUBMITTING AN APPLICATION AND THE SELECTION PROCESS

The jury shall not accept any **incomplete** application.

The application must include:

- 1 - The **application form**
- 2 - **Summary of the project** (approximately one page long, using character Times New Roman 12)
- 3 - **Details of the research project** (max 10 pages long, using character Times New Roman 12). The details must include: brief description of the team leading the project, and of the collaborative network, rationale, aim, methodology, state of achievement and main results, if already available, discussion ; what the research adds to epidemiology, biology, social, etc in the field of eating habits and obesity in children and adolescents. References or Pdf proofs of already published results or tools , website address whenever it is the case should be included in order to substantiate the application.

The application must be sent in English before the 30th July 2010 to the following email address: fondationlouisbonduelle@bonduelle.com. The ECOG and the Foundation will not send acknowledgement of receipt.

The project must be original,. Each team shall be liable for its project and ECOG and the Louis Bonduelle Foundation shall not be held liable in the event of claims, complaints or proceedings started by the administrative authorities or legal action brought forward or initiated by a third party physical or legal person. The team shall hold ECOG and the Louis Bonduelle Foundation harmless in any action by a third party over the originality of the presented project.

IV - COMPOSITION OF THE JURY

The jury shall rule by majority and is composed of :

- 4 Members chosen by the ECOG's Board of Directors.
- 4 Members chosen by the Louis Bonduelle Foundation's Board of Directors

In case of parity between two projects the Award shall be divided between the two groups.

No objection shall be accepted from anyone. The jury will judge without possibility of appeal, without needing to provide a report of its deliberation and has the final word on this Award. The winner will be notified by email.

V - NATURE OF THE AWARD

An Award of €10,000 will be awarded in November 2010. It will be presented during The 20th ECOG Meeting in Brussels.

The Award shall not lead to any claim by the Award winner regarding the size or nature of the Award, or to a replacement or exchange for any reason whatsoever.

Only the Award winner can accept the Award.

VI - AWARD WINNER'S COMMITMENTS

In return for the Award, the Award winner undertakes to:

- Thank ECOG and the Louis Bonduelle Foundation for its financial assistance in all events and in any future publication regarding the winning project.
- Authorise ECOG and the Louis Bonduelle Foundation to publish results of his/her findings, free from all rights, to a wider public, notably through their website.
- Agree to present his/her project and findings at events, notably at the ECOG's annual congress and during the year following the Award at two events (a press conference or science seminar) under request from the Foundation and, in case of travelling, at the Foundation expenses.
- Authorise ECOG and the Foundation to use his/her surname, first name and work address on publicity material in connexion to ECOG and Louis Bonduelle Research Award, as well as his/her voice or photograph, without expecting to receive payment, a right or any sort of advantage whatsoever in return, other than the Award itself.

VII - EXTERNAL FACTORS

The liability of the organisers, ECOG and the Louis Bonduelle Foundation, shall not be incurred if, for reasons outside of its control or in the event of *force majeure*, the Award or the organisation of the Award must be modified, postponed or cancelled.

Any party participating in this competition must accept these regulations in every respect.

VIII - APPLICABLE LAW

These regulations are subject to French Law.

For Louis Bonduelle Foundation
Chairman
Christophe Bonduelle

For ECOG
The President (pro tempore)
Margherita Caroli, MD, PhD

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