

ESSKA-DJO RESEARCH GRANT AT A GLANCE

Award Amount:
15.000,- USD

for
**Research project in the field of
Sports Traumatology
and Rehabilitation**

Next application deadline:
15 October 2009

Applications only accepted via:
www.esska2010.com
(homepage to open late 2008)

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GENERAL INFORMATION



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7 Agreement and reporting

The winning research center and the ESSKA-DJO committee will sign a written agreement on the allocated money.

Payment:

The allocated amount is 15 000 US dollars and will be paid in 3 installments.

50 % on signing the Agreement

30 % after 1 year and when the 1st year evaluation was positive*

20 % upon submission of the final paper.

* ESSKA/DJO has the right to renounce the second and third payment if the evaluation by the jury after 1 year is negative.

Reporting and supervision:

Every 6 months during the project a written report must be sent to the grant-supervisor to report on the progress of the study. The deadlines for these reports will be determined at start of the project. The dates need to be strictly respected.

The grant-supervisor will regularly visit the research site.

An abstract of the study results must be submitted to the ESSKA-DJO committee prior to presenting the work at the ESSKA Congress.

2 The ESSKA-DJO Research Grant: definition

Duration: Max. 2 years

Budget: 15 000 US \$

Amount: A requesting research center can only receive the ESSKA-DJO grant once.

Goal:

The ESSKA-DJO grant has the goal to encourage research projects in the field of Sports Traumatology and Rehabilitation. The grant will be given to a research team that submits a research project that fulfills all the selection criteria. Research in the field of Rehabilitation will get preference. The study results need to be written up in an article and will be published in the ESSKA journal after official presentation at the ESSKA Congress.

Budget Justification:

The requester needs to submit a detailed budget for performing the proposal research. Costs for personnel, testing equipment and overhead will be accepted.



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3 Who can apply for the grant?

Any researcher/research center that fulfills the following criteria can apply for the grant:

- The requester should have at least 1 publication in one of the leading orthopedic, biomechanics or physical therapy journals.
- The research center has not received the ESSKA-DJO grant before (the grant can only be received once).
- The researcher needs to demonstrate that personnel and facilities are appropriate to carry out the proposed research.

4 Submission requests for the application

Submission for the award needs to be done following the instructions mentioned under chapter 6. The suggested lay-out does not need to be strictly followed but the contents, order and ranking needs to be respected.

Your manuscript, created according to the instructions of this booklet, is to be submitted only via the award link of the ESSKA Congress homepage www.esska2010.com.

Any other method of submission will not be accepted.

5. Financial Aspects of the Study Total = \$

Mention all financial costs involved

State clearly where the money of the grant would be used for

Mention clearly what will be covered by other financiers and who are the financiers

6. General information on the researchers and involved centres

General information on the researcher and involved center(s). Should contain:

- Introduction to the research team
- CV's of the involved people
- Introduction of the research center
- Publication list



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5 Selection Process

5.1. Jury

An international jury of experts will judge all submissions. The selection criteria below will be used to evaluate the merits of each proposal. The winner of the grant will be officially announced at the biannual ESSKA meeting.

5.2. Evaluation criteria:

- The conformity of the project with the goal of the grant.
- The degree of innovation of the proposed project. Is there new technology involved? Is the project in line with the trends of the market?
- The scientific and technical capacity of the research center. Is the necessary knowledge and infrastructure present to successfully complete the project? Do they have other financial partners to support the project?
- Global quality of the proposed research project. Is the proposed work schedule well defined? Can it be realized in the proposed timeframe? Is the budget appropriate? How well do they take possible expected roadblocks (patient recruitment, technical problems) into account? Are there relevant solutions proposed and foreseen in case of problems?

- The degree of risk associated with completing the project. Any technical problems to solve? Is the equipment reliable? Are there reliability and accuracy studies published? Are there enough patients available, etc.?
- Is the study project in line with the ethical requirements defined by the Convention of Helsinki?
- Is there a possibility for further research? Can the project lead to further investigations or applications?

5.3. Confidentiality

All information & data of the project proposal will be kept absolutely confidential.

6 Submission instructions

The request needs to contain the following information:

1. Positioning of the study

- 1.1. Reason for the study & problem definition
- 1.2. State of the art / results of earlier research
- 1.3. Brief overview of the literature on this subject