



Booster Fonds

A project supported by the Synapsis Booster Fonds aims to advance research into neurodegenerative diseases in a broader sense. Synapsis Foundation calls for innovative ideas which do not qualify for funding by Principal Investigator Grants or Career Development Awards of the foundation.

Eligibility Criteria

- Proposals may be submitted by applicants working at the level of senior researchers or faculty members at a university, university hospital or university of applied sciences in Switzerland.
- Start-up companies will not be funded.
- Start-ups or industry partners can act as co-applicants, but they will not receive funding from the foundation.

Topics

A variety of topics that accelerate basic or clinical research into neurodegenerative diseases or address unmet needs will be considered. These range from technological developments to proof-of-principle studies and novel digital approaches to data acquisition and analysis. Out-of-the box and high-risk proposals are welcome.

Application and Submission

Applications can be submitted all year long. The application process follows a two-step procedure:

- Letter of intent, including an outline of the proposed project. If the outline is considered relevant the main applicant will be invited to submit a full proposal within 4 weeks.
- Full proposal including a detailed description of aims, workplan and budget.

All relevant information must be provided in the **application templates for the letter of intent and the full proposal**. To receive the templates please contact hess@demenz-forschung.ch. Only applications compiling all information in one pdf-document will be accepted. Applications are to be **submitted via e-mail** to hess@demenz-forschung.ch.

Evaluation Criteria

The letter of intent and full proposals will be evaluated by representatives of the Synapsis Foundation, including the Scientific Advisory Board, based on the following evaluation criteria:

- Innovation
- Relevance to neurodegeneration research
- Need and potential to accelerate the research field
- Feasibility
- Scientific quality

External experts might be consulted.

Funding

Currently, only limited funding of CHF 100'000 is available in this fonds to be paid out in 2024.

Questions and Contact

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