



## Translational Medical Research

# PRIX LEENAARDS 2018

### CALL FOR PROJECTS

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The Leenaards Foundation supports translational medical research at the University Hospitals of the Lake Geneva Region carried out in collaboration with other academic institutions.

The aim is to strengthen structural links between clinical and basic research.

For the call 2018, the amount available is

**CHF 1,5 million**

to be distributed between 2-3 major and innovative project(s) (Prix Leenaards 2018).

In case of support by the Foundation, the team(s) will be free to plan the use of the funds within a 3 years period. The Price is not renewable.

Applications should be submitted  
only via our website: [www.leenaards.ch](http://www.leenaards.ch)  
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## Instructions for submission

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#### Conditions

The project will investigate a **clinical problem** from an **original and innovative angle**, linking it to a component of advanced **basic research**, be it experimental research, bioinformatics or epidemiological analyses. The project must include an human research component. The proposal must describe a complete project. However, it may be embedded in the context of an existing study.

Preference will be given to projects attesting a **new** collaboration between 2-3 groups at the level of the **Lake Geneva region**, with at least one of the two academic hospitals, as well as with UNIL, UNIGE and/or EPFL. Two groups from institutions of the Lemanic region may seek the collaboration of a third group belonging to an institution of another region/country.

#### Candidat(e)s

The primary applicant will be a **clinical investigator** (MD, MD-PhD, or PhD, below age of 45), with a strong academic career track, who has demonstrated her or his capacity as an independent investigator to lead original clinical research.

The project's co-applicants, preferably also at a relatively early stage in their careers, will have shown their skills in their respective fields. Their roles in the project must be clearly specified.

All applicants must hold a stable position for the entire duration of the project.

Applicants who have been granted the Leenaards Price during the last 3 years (2015-2017) are not eligible, and the project cannot be an extension of a previous Leenaards project.

#### Applications

In a first step, applicants need to submit a **Letter of Intent**, as well as further documents (**Instructions and guidelines** for submission available on: [www.leenaards.ch](http://www.leenaards.ch)).

All applications are written in English.

The applications must be submitted only through the website: [www.leenaards.ch](http://www.leenaards.ch), before **10 March, 2017**

#### Selection and Timetable

The evaluation of projects will take place in two stages. An initial selection will be made by the Jury based on Letters of Intent due **10 March, 2017**. Decisions will be communicated to applicants by **7 April, 2017**. The applicants of the selected projects will be invited to prepare a full proposal by **30 May, 2017** for evaluation by the Jury and external experts. An official support of the project by the directions of the involved institutions will be sought.

The final decision will be communicated by the end of **September 2016**, and the project could start earliest in **January 2018**.