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Introduction

The European Foundation for the Study of Diabetes (EFSD) was created by the European Association for the Study of Diabetes (EASD) in order to support more actively diabetes research in Europe and to serve even more effectively the goals of EASD, which are: to encourage and support research in the field of diabetes, to rapidly diffuse acquired knowledge, and to facilitate its application. The EFSD began its work in 2000 and has become a significant European funding agency for diabetes research, and is continually striving to enhance diabetes awareness in Europe.

EFSD is a non-profit foundation, which seeks to support the highest quality research in Europe to find a cure for all types of diabetes and associated complications and to prevent their onset. EFSD aims to co-operate with other government and non-government agencies in order to increase funding in European diabetes research as a means of achieving its goals. Through its various activities and programmes, the Foundation also strives to enhance awareness in Europe of the severity and magnitude of this devastating disease. It is the ambition of the Executive Committee to develop EFSD as the main European funding agency for diabetes research.

The Foundation is closely related to EASD; it is governed exclusively by the Executive Committee of EASD, which itself is under the close supervision of the General Assembly. The Foundation operates on a strictly non-profit basis under the control of the relevant authorities in Germany.

EFSD has committed over **100 million Euro**
to European diabetes research

EFSD receives generous donations from industry which, together with standalone funding initiatives, has resulted over 100 million Euro being raised for diabetes research in Europe.

All applications are subject to rigorous peer review by a fully independent panel of leading experts in the field, and awards are based on scientific merit. Applications from non-profit organisations are welcome from Europe or any associated country as well as named non-European countries in the context of collaborative research programmes (see individual programme details).

Further information on EFSD Programmes is available on the website of the Foundation:

www.EuropeanDiabetesFoundation.org

Grant Programmes

2022

EFSD/Boehringer Ingelheim European Research Programme on “Multi-System Challenges in Diabetes”

Programme and Research Focus

This EFSD/Boehringer Ingelheim European Diabetes Research Programme is intended to stimulate and accelerate European research on the interrelation and crosstalk of different organs e.g. heart, kidney, pancreas, gut, liver and brain and related pathophysiology in diabetes and its complications and the impact of therapeutic interventions for this complex condition.

Awards in 2022

Based on the recommendations of the Review Committee, awards were made to the following:

Mijke Buitinga: University Maastricht - The Netherlands

Ulf Eriksson: Karolinska Institute - Stockholm, Sweden

Claire Hills: University of Lincoln - UK

Joan-Marc Servitja: Clínic Foundation for Biomedical Research - Barcelona, Spain

Kfir Sharabi: The Hebrew University of Jerusalem - Israel

EFSD/Lilly

European Diabetes Research Programme

Programme and Research Focus

The EFSD/Lilly European Diabetes Research Fund was created to promote increased European diabetes research and to increase public awareness and political understanding of the magnitude and burden of the disease.

The EFSD/Lilly Programme will accept applications within any area of basic or clinical diabetes research.

Awards in 2022

Based on the recommendations of the Review Committee, awards were made to the following:

Catherine Arden: Newcastle University - UK

Jonatan Bagger: University of Copenhagen - Denmark

Shane Browne: University of Medicine and Health Sciences - Dublin, Ireland

Carolina Hagberg: Karolinska Institute - Stockholm, Sweden

Heikki Hyöty: Tampere University - Finland

Tuomas Kilpeläinen: University of Copenhagen - Denmark

Jacinto López Sagaseta: Navarrabiomed - Pamplona, Spain

Kashyap Patel: University of Exeter - UK

Rashmi Prasad: Lund University - Sweden

Åke Sjöholm: University of Gävle - Sweden

Dimitri Van Simaey: Karolinska Institute - Stockholm, Sweden

EFSD/Lilly

EXPLORING AND APPLYING NEW STRATEGIES IN DIABETES (EXPAND) Programme

Programme and Research Focus

The EFSD/Lilly EXPAND Programme aims to assess with dedicated research projects, potential strategies that could be implemented in Europe and rolled out in low-and middle-income countries to favour the improvement of quality of care for all people living with diabetes.

Awards in 2022

Based on the recommendations of the Review Committee, awards were made to the following:

Azra Mehmood: University of Punjab -Lahore, Pakistan

Collaborating Institution: Universität Leipzig/Medical Faculty; responsible Institute: Institute of Laboratory Medicine, Clinical Chemistry and Molecular Diagnostics - Germany

Xiaofeng Zheng: Sichuan University - Chengdu, China

Collaborating Institution: The Rolf Luft Research Center for Diabetes and Endocrinology, Dept of Molecular Medicine and Surgery, Karolinska Institute – Stockholm, Sweden

EFSD “New Targets for Diabetes or Obesity-related Metabolic Diseases”

supported by an educational research grant from
MSD

Programme and Research Focus

The EFSD/MSD European Research Programme on “New Targets for Diabetes or Obesity-related Metabolic Diseases” is intended to stimulate and accelerate European research focusing on the identification and molecular understanding of new targets for the treatment of type 2 diabetes or obesity-related metabolic diseases.

Awards in 2022

Based on the recommendations of the Review Committee, awards were made to the following:

Sophie Steculorum: Max Planck Institute for Metabolism Research - Cologne, Germany

Ingrid Wernstedt-Asterholm: University of Gothenburg - Sweden

Anja Zeigerer: Helmholtz Munich, Institute for Diabetes and Cancer - Germany

EFSD/Novo Nordisk

Programme for Diabetes Research in Europe

Programme and Research Focus

The EFSD/Novo Nordisk Programme for Diabetes Research in Europe was created to encourage both clinical and basic research in diabetes. Applications from all fields of diabetes research, including both basic and clinical research, were welcome.

Awards in 2022

Based on the recommendations of the Review Committee, awards were made to the following:

Sonia Fernandez Veledo: Pere Virgili Health Research Institute - Tarragona, Spain

Filip Knop: University of Copenhagen - Denmark

Vito Lampasona: Vita-Salute San Raffaele University - Milan, Italy

Gil Leibowitz: Hadassah-Hebrew University Medical Center - Jerusalem, Israel

Peter van Endert: INSERM U1151 - Paris, France

EFSD/Novo Nordisk Foundation

Future Leaders Award Programme

Programme and Research Focus

The EFSD/Novo Nordisk Foundation Future Leaders Award Programme is intended to identify outstanding clinical and basic scientists in European diabetes research at a critical stage in their career, to support them in their transition to a tenured academic appointment in diabetes research in Europe and to foster their development into the leaders of tomorrow.

Awards in 2022

Based on the recommendations of the Review Committee, awards were made to the following:

Alexander Jais: Helmholtz Centre Munich – Germany

Niklas Mejhert: Karolinska Institute – Stockholm, Sweden

Søren Fisker Schmidt: University of Southern Denmark – Odense, Denmark

Zhichao Zhou: Karolinska Institute – Stockholm, Sweden

EFSD/Novo Nordisk Foundation

Precision Diabetes Medicine Award

Programme and Research Focus

The EFSD/Novo Nordisk Foundation Precision Diabetes Medicine Award Programme will accept applications based on scientific quality, innovation potential and a clear translational focus; bringing basic knowledge to use at the patient level in terms of e.g. disease prognosis, treatment prediction or patient stratification.

Awards in 2022

Based on the recommendations of the Review Committee, awards were made to the following:

Angus Jones: University of Exeter - UK

Haifa Maalmi: German Diabetes Center - Düsseldorf, Germany

Jørgen Wojtaszewski: University of Copenhagen - Denmark

EFSD/Sanofi European Diabetes Research Programme in diabetes associated with cardiovascular disease

Programme and Research Focus

This Programme is to encourage new projects aimed at advancing current knowledge in this field and is intended to stimulate and accelerate European research aimed at improving understanding of cardiovascular disease associated with diabetes.

Awards in 2022

Based on the recommendations of the Review Committee, awards were made to the following:

Massimo Federici: University of Rome Tor Vergata - Italy

Casper G. Schalkwijk: Maastricht University Medical Center and Cardiovascular Research
Institute Maastricht (CARIM) - Netherlands

Daniel R. Witte: Steno Diabetes Center Aarhus - Denmark

EFSD/Sanofi “Outlook to the next 100 years of insulin: Innovative insulin delivery and monitoring systems”

Programme and Research Focus

This Programme is intended to stimulate and accelerate European research aimed at understanding and improving insulin delivery and action. Grants are offered for basic, clinical-experimental studies, specifically with translation concepts aiming at exploiting existing technology as well as identifying innovative approaches for insulin delivery systems and monitoring insulin therapy.

Awards in 2022

Based on the recommendations of the Review Committee, awards were made to the following:

Othmar Moser: University of Bayreuth - Germany

Fellowship Programmes

2022

EFSD Albert Renold Travel Fellowship Programme

The EFSD Albert Renold Travel Fellowship Programme enables scientists and clinicians to travel and stay at other institutions in order to learn different techniques related to diabetes research. The duration of the stay should not exceed three months.

Awards in 2022

Based on the recommendations of the Review Committee, awards were made to the following:

Giulia Angelini: Catholic University of Sacred Heart, Rome - Italy

Eva Maria Baranda Alonso: Institute for Biomedical Research of Salamanca (IBSAL), Spain

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Matina Kouvari: Harokopio University of Athens, Greece

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Elena Tore: Maastricht University, The Netherlands

Flavia Tramontana: Campus Bio-Medico University of Rome, Italy

EFSD/Lilly

Young Investigator Research Award Programme

Programme and Research Focus

The objective of the EFSD/Lilly Young Investigator Research Awards is to encourage innovative research in the fields of diabetes and its complications, and to promote excellence in medical education.

Awards in 2022

Based on the recommendations of the Review Committee, awards were made to the following:

Stephen Ashcroft: University of Copenhagen - Denmark

Martina Chiriaco: University of Pisa - Italy

Cintia Folgueira Cobos: Spanish National Center for Cardiovascular Research Carlos III - Madrid, Spain

Ninon Foussard: Bordeaux University Hospital - France

Zaineb Mezdari: Institut Necker Enfants Malades (INEM) - Paris, France

David Rizo Roca: Karolinska Institute, Stockholm - Sweden

Mark Smits: Amsterdam UMC - Netherlands

EFSD Rising Star Fellowship Programme

supported by Novo Nordisk

Programme and Research Focus

The EFSD Rising Star Fellowship Programme aims to identify promising and innovative young researchers who are developing their research activities in Europe. Selected candidates receive a fellowship award, and also have the opportunity to present an overview of their past and ongoing research activities during a multidisciplinary research symposium at the EASD Annual Meeting.

Awards in 2022

Based on the recommendations of the Review Committee, awards were made to the following:

Diego Balboa: Centre for Genomic Regulation - Barcelona, Spain

John Dennis: University of Exeter - UK

Matthew Johnson: University of Exeter - UK

Salwan Maqdasy: Karolinska Institute - Huddinge, Sweden

Further Programme details and deadline dates can be found on the
EFSD website:

www.EuropeanDiabetesFoundation.org

Review Committee Members

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