

## *UWS Research Bulletin 4<sup>th</sup> October 2013*

Please note that all external applications are to be submitted to the Office of Research Services a minimum of 5 days prior to program deadline (unless otherwise stated) and should be accompanied by a completed External Research Proposal Clearance form:

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### **Important Notice**

#### **The Research Bulletin will be ending soon!**

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For more information see

[http://www.uws.edu.au/research/researchers/funding\\_opportunities/external\\_research\\_grants#Finding](http://www.uws.edu.au/research/researchers/funding_opportunities/external_research_grants#Finding)

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## *Tenders*

### **Grains Research and Development Corporation**

#### **Impact Assessment of selected GRDC research and development investments**

**Closing Date: 18 October 2013 at 2:00pm Australian Eastern Standard Time (AEST)**

The Grains Research and Development Corporation (GRDC) wishes to conduct *ex-ante* cost benefit analyses on approximately 150 research projects within 13 Practice Change areas itemised in the attachments below and extracted from the *Strategic Research & Development Plan 2012-17*, before the research projects have begun or before they have delivered their first Progress Report (*ex-ante* assessments). The purpose is to:

1. quantify the benefits planned to be delivered to industry and the community in general;
2. estimate the returns on GRDC investments in research, development and extension (RD&E);
3. aggregate the results at the program of work level.

The GRDC is seeking to enter into an agreement for provision of the Services from October 2013 to May 2014, on the terms set out in the Draft Contract (see Part 6 of this RFT).

#### **RFT Description**

The name of this RFT is "Impact Assessment of selected GRDC research and development investments". To download the Request for Tender requirements document [click here](#) [326KB, PDF].

To download the Request for Tender Response Form [click here](#) [247KB, MS WORD].

Further information: [Grains Research and Development Corporation](#)

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## *Programs – National*

### **Australian Biological Resources Study**

#### **Research and Capacity-Building Grants**

**Closing Date: 1 November 2013**

The Australian Biological Resources Study (ABRS) provides grants to Honours, Masters and PhD students for taxonomic research. The ABRS also provides research grants to established researchers for taxonomic projects.

The 2014-15 Research and Capacity-Building Grants streams of the ABRS National Taxonomy Research Grants Program (NTRGP) are now open for applications.

### **Research Grants**

- The ABRS offers three year Research and Postdoctoral Fellowship Grants where the researcher's primary aim is to undertake taxonomic research on the Australian biota or to develop products that aid in the dissemination of taxonomic information on the Australian biota.

### **Capacity-Building Grants**

- The ABRS offers Capacity-Building Grants for taxonomic and systematics research on Australian flora and fauna in the form of Honours, Masters and PhD awards.
- The ABRS is also offering applicants beginning a PhD on an Australian Postgraduate Award (APA) in 2013, the opportunity to top up the existing APA rate (\$24,653 in 2013) by \$10,000 per year.

Further information: [Australian Biological Resources Study](#)

## **Australian Diabetes Society**

### **ADS – Skip Martin Early Career Fellowship**

#### **Closing Date: 1 November 2013**

This is a call for applications for a one (1) year fellowship sponsored by the Australian Diabetes Society.

The fellowship is valued at up to \$80,000 for one year plus a travel allowance of up to \$5,000.

#### **Eligibility criteria:**

- Must be an ADS member for at least one (1) year at the time of accepting the award in January 2014.
- The fellowship must commence by 30 June, 2014.
- The applicant must be less than 6 years post-doc as of December, 2013.
- The fellow must take up a position in Australia for the duration of the award.
- The project must be diabetes related.

Further information: [Australian Diabetes Society](#)

## **Australian Rotary Health**

### **PhD Scholarships**

#### **Closing Date: 13 December 2013**

Applications for the following PhD scholarships are now open:

- Australian Rotary Health/Rotary Club of Blacktown City investigating Children's Heart Disease (Australia wide applications)
- Australian Rotary Health/Rotary Club of Illawarra Sunrise investigating Autism (NSW applications)
- Australian Rotary Health/Rotary Club of West Wollongong investigating 'The Improvement of quality of life of people with Dementia by investigating the impact of modifications to the built environment in Residential Aged Care/Acute Care settings' (NSW applications)
- Australian Rotary Health/Rotary Club of West Wollongong investigating 'To improve the quality of life of people with Dementia in Residential or Community settings' (NSW applications)
- Australian Rotary Health/Rotary Club of Dural investigating Primary Lymphoedema (Australia wide applications)
- Australian Rotary Health/Rotary Club of Liverpool West investigating Gynaecological Oncology (NSW applications)
- Australian Rotary Health/Rotary Club of St Ives investigating Cerebral Palsy (Australia wide applications)
- Australian Rotary Health/Rotary Club of Cheltenham and the John Richardson Fund investigating Oncology (Australia wide applications)

Please refer to Australian Rotary Health's website at <https://www.australianrotaryhealth.org.au/Information-About/Research/Current-Opportunities.aspx> for individual scholarship details and eligibility criteria.

## **Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney**

### **Grant for Adult Stem Cell Research**

#### **Closing Date: 31 October 2013**

The Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney invites applications from Australian based researchers for a grant of \$100,000 to support and foster research on the therapeutic potential of adult stem cells.

The grant is awarded on the recommendation of an independent panel according to the following criteria:

1. The research meets the highest international standards of scientific excellence.
2. Therapeutic applications are likely to arise from the research.
3. The research is innovative, displaying novelty in its experimental approach.
4. Receipt of this grant will be significant for the undertaking of the research.
5. The researcher(s) have a track record of success in undertaking similar or related research.
6. Matching funds have been secured from another source.
7. The research complies with the ethical standards set out in Chapter 6 of the *Code of Ethical Standards for Catholic Health and Aged Care Services in Australia*.

Applications for the grant should address each of these criteria. Funds will be available for expenditure from 1 January 2014 and should be expended by 31 December 2015.

Further information: [Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney](#)

## **Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation**

### **Flagship Postgraduate Scholarships**

**Closing Date: 15 November 2013**

The National Research Flagships offer full and top-up Flagship Postgraduate Scholarships to high quality students who are enrolled in a PhD at an Australian university, and who will be working on a project which is directly relevant to the goals of a Flagship. Students will be jointly supervised by university and CSIRO researchers.

Top-up scholarships are the norm. Top-ups are available to PhD students who have gained an Australian Postgraduate Award (APA) or equivalent scholarship. Flagship top-up scholarships are not available to students who have gained an Australian Postgraduate Award (Industry).

Full scholarships may be considered where a student has not been awarded an APA or equivalent, provided that the student can supply supplementary evidence of excellent research skills and academic performance, and they are proposing a research project of relevance to a Flagship.

Top-up scholarships are valued at an annual rate of \$7,000 for three years. Full scholarships offer a stipend of the equivalent of the APA stipend plus CSIRO's top-up amount of \$7,000 per annum for three years.

For both top-up and full scholarships, additional support of up to \$4,000 per annum will be provided towards necessary travel and operating costs, and up to an extra \$6,000 to support attendance of the student at one international conference and associated overseas laboratory visits during the period of the scholarship.

Further information: [CSIRO](#)

## **Deafness Foundation**

### **Financial Grants Program**

**Closing Date: 31 October 2013**

Applications are invited from organisations across Australia for Financial Grants from the Deafness Foundation.

Projects should support the Deaf and Hearing Impaired community through research, prevention, education, early detection or technology.

Funding will be considered only for those projects, which can benefit Deaf and hearing impaired persons.

Consideration will be given only to those projects, which have a demonstrated potential to further the stated aims and objectives of the Deafness Foundation.

Further information: [Deafness Foundation](#)

## **Department of Agriculture**

### **2014 Science and Innovation Awards for Young People in Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry**

**Closing Date: 8 November 2013**

Grant applications are now open for the 2014 Science and Innovation Awards for Young People in Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry. If you're 18-35, this is your chance to apply for up to \$22,000 (GST inclusive) to fund your project on an innovative or emerging scientific issue to benefit Australia's primary industries.

The Science Awards encourage science, innovation and new technology in rural industries and to advance the careers of young innovators and scientists through national recognition of their research ideas. Science Award recipients undertake original projects with the objective of keeping Australia's rural industries sustainable and

profitable. The Science Awards have already helped more than 180 young Australians make their ideas a reality and showcase their talent to the world.

There are eleven industry Science Award categories open for applications: biosecurity, cotton, dairy, fisheries and aquaculture, grains, viticulture and oenology, red meat processing, pork, new and emerging rural industries, meat and livestock and wool. Industry category Science Awards are sponsored by the research and development corporations and industry associations. Applicants can apply for up to \$22,000 (GST inclusive).

And there is an additional Science Award for one outstanding project – the Minister for Agriculture's Award. This award provides an additional funding to one recipient of the industry Science Awards to extend their project.

Further information: [Department of Agriculture](#)

## **Horticulture Australia Limited**

### **R&D Funding Call**

#### **Closing Date: 8 November 2013**

Horticulture Australia Limited (HAL) is responsible for the national management and coordination of research and development (R&D) for Australia's horticultural industries including fruit, vegetables, nuts, nursery, turf, cut flowers and extractive crops.

HAL is currently seeking applications for investment proposals to be funded commencing in the 2014/15 financial year. Investment proposals may fall into two categories:

#### **National Levy program**

Projects that meet established industry investment priorities to be funded through industry levies with matched funding from the Australian Government. Applications must ensure they address relevant industry R&D priorities. Information on industry priorities is available on the HAL website in the 'Applying for Funding' section. These priorities are also communicated in the respective industry strategic investment plans on the HAL website. This alignment is critical.

#### **Voluntary Contribution program**

Co-investment proposals in R&D aimed at benefiting all aspects of Australian horticulture, can be matched on a 1:1 basis (less an administration fee of 10.9 per cent for Members, 12.9 per cent non Members). These proposals need to meet the conditions of Voluntary Contribution (VC) funding as outlined on the HAL website. In using the Commonwealth Government matching funds mechanism in relation to VCs from industry or commercial entities, HAL needs to ensure the use of these matching funds meets a number of obligations. The proposals need to meet the definition for R&D as defined in policy, relate to the Horticultural sector, be within the scope and supportive of the respective Industry Strategic Investment Plan, and demonstrate clear market failure.

In the provision of VC funds to rectify this market failure, it is important this provision does not result in any policy avoiding or market distorting behaviours.

All proposals must be consistent with [HAL's Strategic Plan](#), and address the Australian Government's Rural Research and Development Priorities. More details on funding assessment criteria, relevant policies and the Australian Government's Rural Research and Development Priorities are provided on the HAL website.

Further information: [Horticulture Australia Limited](#)

## **Motor Accidents Authority of NSW**

### **Small Grants Round – Innovation**

#### **Closing Date: 15 November 2013**

The Motor Accidents Authority (MAA) is pleased to announce the continuation of the small grants round. The aim of these grants is to assist organisations to develop initiatives in trauma and injury management for people injured in motor vehicle crashes in NSW across the continuum of care.

The theme for this round is Innovation.

Projects in this category need to demonstrate how innovation will improve health and social outcomes for injured people within the Scheme, facilitate evidence based practice in injury management or contribute to scheme effectiveness and efficiency.

The aim of innovative projects is to change or create more effective ways of doing things. Being innovative means changing your service model and adapting to changes in your environment to deliver better outcomes, customer experience or services.

The maximum amount per grant is \$15,000 and projects must be completed within 12 months.

Further information: [Motor Accidents Authority of NSW](#)

## **National Computational Infrastructure**

### **Merit Allocation Scheme Access**

#### **Closing Date: 1 November 2013**

National Computational Infrastructure (NCI) provides Australian researchers with access to world-class high-end computing services.

Applications to the Merit Allocation Scheme for 1st January 2014 to 31st December 2014 are now open.

This call seeks applications for access at each of three NCI facilities:

- the National Facility,
- the Specialised Facility in Bioinformatics,
- the Specialised Facility in Imaging and Visualisation (MASSIVE).

The Merit Allocation Scheme is available to researchers in publicly funded research organisations. Post-graduate students at universities may not apply in their own right to the NCI MAS but, instead, should be associated with projects in which their supervisors are Chief Investigators.

Further information: [National Computational Infrastructure](#)

## **UNSW Canberra**

### **Spitfire Memorial Defence Fellowship**

#### **Closing Date: 1 November 2013**

The Spitfire Memorial Defence Fellowship has been established by ex-wartime Spitfire pilots and ground crew, the Australian Spitfire Association and leading private and corporate supporters to create a lasting and dynamic memorial to the important contribution of the Spitfire and its Squadrons during World War II. The Fellowship Fund provides for the award of an annual Fellowship.

The Fellowship has a value of up to \$22,000. The project for which the award is made must be completed by the end of 2014.

The Fellowship will provide encouragement for the development of advanced knowledge and expertise which will aid the defence of Australia by providing financial support and public recognition for the undertaking of programs of study or research at the University of New South Wales (at the Australian Defence Force Academy or in Sydney), or other appropriate institutions within or outside Australia.

The Fellowship is open to Australian citizens who are suitably qualified graduates or who have significant appropriate work experience. Applicants must demonstrate an interest in advancing the available knowledge and expertise which will lead to an improvement in the defence of Australia, by developing a proposal to undertake a program of study or research at the University of New South Wales (at the Australian Defence Force Academy or in Sydney) or another appropriate institution within or outside Australia.

Further information: [UNSW Canberra](#)

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## ***Programs – International***

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### **American College of Laboratory Animal Medicine (ACLAM) Foundation**

#### **Research Grants**

#### **Closing Date: 5 December 2013 (Letters of Intent)**

The Mission of the ACLAM Foundation is to expand the body of knowledge in the fields of laboratory Animal Science and Medicine through funding research grants. The Foundation will fund studies in the following six laboratory animal research subjects:

- Analgesia/anesthesia
- Behaviour/well-being
- Diagnostics/diseases
- Husbandry
- Refinement of animal models [Note: Emphasis is on Russell & Birch 3R's – reduction, refinement, replacement – not on new research model development.]
- Zoonotic disease (see Elizabeth R. Griffin Research Foundation)

Grants are valued at up to US \$30,000.

Further information: [American College of Laboratory Animal Medicine Foundation](#)

## **British Society for Antimicrobial Chemotherapy**

### **Project and Research Grants**

**Closing Date: 1 November 2013**

The British Society for Antimicrobial Chemotherapy invites applications for the following grants:

- **Project Grants**

Maximum value of £15,000 for projects of up to one-year duration. Project grants may be used for the following purposes:

- Pump priming projects
- Supporting the completion of an existing project
- Introducing a novel technique for existing work
- Funding for trainees for projects/training (maximum value £5,000)

Candidates are expected to provide full justification of project grant funds.

The number awarded each year will depend on the overall level of funding available for the year in which the grant is applied for.

- **Research Grants**

Maximum value of £50,000 for projects of up to one-year duration.

The Society supports research grants in the following areas:

- Mechanisms of antibacterial action
- Mechanisms of antibacterial resistance
- Antiviral resistance
- Antiviral
- Antifungals
- Antibiotic methods
- Antibiotic prescribing
- Antibiotic therapy
- Antiparasitics
- Evidence based medicine / systematic reviews

Further information: [British Society for Antimicrobial Chemotherapy](#)

## **Cystinosis Research Foundation**

### **Research Proposals and Postdoctoral Research Fellowships**

**Closing Date: 25 October 2013**

The ultimate goal of the Cystinosis Research Foundation is a cure for cystinosis.

Currently, the Cystinosis Research Foundation has \$1,000,000 available for research and fellowship grants. The number of awards and their value will depend on the number of outstanding proposals and the funds available at the time.

#### **Research Proposals**

The Cystinosis Research Foundation is pleased to announce its Fall 2013 call for research proposals and fellowships. The Cystinosis Research Foundation is prepared to fund proposals to improve the immediate care of children and young adults with cystinosis and to develop new understanding and treatment of cystinosis to help these children in the future.

#### **Postdoctoral Fellowships**

The Cystinosis Research Foundation has launched a postdoctoral research fellowship program to attract qualified, promising investigators to establish careers in cystinosis research. The fellow's stipend should be the usual amount for such a trainee at that institution. The total award cannot exceed US \$75,000 per year including overhead. Awards will generally be for a period of 1-3 years.

First priority will be given to "named" postdoctoral trainees. However, investigators who are already studying cystinosis can apply for a fellowship position with the expectation of attracting a suitable postdoctoral fellow within a year. Predoctoral students, who are already studying cystinosis, will be considered if funding is available.

Further information: [Cystinosis Research Foundation](#)

## **Foundation Fyssen**

### **Research Grants**

#### **Closing Date: 4 November 2013**

The aim of the Fyssen Foundation is to encourage “all forms of scientific inquiry in cognitive mechanisms, including thought and reasoning, which underlie animal and human behaviour; their biological and cultural bases, and phylogenetic and ontogenetic development”.

Research Grants are intended to support post-doctoral researchers.

#### **Eligibility conditions**

- Be 35 years old maximum the day of the closing date of the call for the biological sciences
- Be 40 years old maximum the day of the closing date of the call for the human sciences
- Holder of a post or not

Research Grants are valued from 15,000 to 35,000 euros with expected project duration of 12 months.

Further information: [Foundation Fyssen](#)

## **Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation International**

### **Target Discovery and Validation for Diabetic Nephropathy**

#### **Closing Date: 31 October 2013 (Letters of Intent)**

Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation (JDRF) is committed to facilitating the translation of promising targets or therapeutics in type 1 diabetic complications to the clinic and patient. To this end, JDRF is soliciting letters of intent (LOI) for research with the potential to translate into novel therapies for diabetic nephropathy, with a particular focus on identification and/or validation of targets with promise for treatment at chronic kidney disease (CKD) stages 1-3. LOIs should address the discovery and validation of targets and/or pathways.

Diabetic nephropathy is a complication of diabetes which contributes significantly to mortality and morbidity. Recent publications suggest that despite improvements in care, the risk of end stage renal disease (ESRD) is not substantially reduced. However, there is a paucity of validated therapeutic targets/pathways for effective clinical intervention. Thus, identification of targets which have the potential to offer therapeutic intervention to prevent or reduce loss of kidney function is a high priority for JDRF.

LOIs are sought from investigators with innovative approaches to discover, correlate and provide validation for targets and pathways relevant to the prevention, progression or reversal of diabetic nephropathy. Novel targets would be defined as genes, gene products or metabolites which can be causally associated with disease pathogenesis.

Preference will be given to proposals which utilise human clinical data or samples to link a pathway or target to diabetic nephropathy. Please note that targets for therapies to improve treatment of ESRD / CKD5 are not within the scope of this RFA, unless these might reasonably apply to earlier stages of chronic kidney disease.

Validation: LOIs in this category should include the validation of targets/pathways or propose to validate promising targets with prior evidence of association with onset or progression of diabetic nephropathy. In this context, validation is defined as the demonstration that the target is suitable for therapeutic drug development.

Projects may request a maximum of \$250,000 USD of funding per year, including a maximum of 10% indirect costs, for up to 2 years. Proposals for interventional clinical trials will not be accepted as part of this call.

Further information: [Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation International](#)

## **Kurt Weill Foundation for Music**

### **Research and Travel Grants**

#### **Closing Date: 1 November 2013**

The Kurt Weill Foundation Grant Program awards financial support to individuals and not-for-profit organizations for scholarly research pertaining to Weill, Lotte Lenya, and Blitzstein.

Funding may be requested to support research and travel expenses to locations of primary source material. Applicants must be researching a topic related to Kurt Weill, Lotte Lenya, and/or Marc Blitzstein, and must submit a detailed outline of the proposed project, a writing sample, and at least one letter of recommendation.

Further information: [Kurt Weill Foundation for Music](#)

## **National Academic Advising Association**

### **NACADA Research Grants**

#### **Closing Date: 1 November 2013**

The National Academic Advising Association has a long history of supporting research within the academic advising field. Research support may be awarded for proposals submitted for the purpose of contributing to the

field of advising-related research. Up to five thousand dollars (US \$5,000) may be awarded to support a single-year proposal. Multiple-year grants may also be awarded.

Further information: [National Academic Advising Association](#)

## **National Academy of Education**

### **National Academy of Education/Spencer Postdoctoral Fellowship Program**

#### **Closing Date: 1 November 2013**

The National Academy of Education (NAEd)/Spencer Postdoctoral Fellowship Program supports early career scholars working in critical areas of education research. This non-residential postdoctoral fellowship funds proposals that make significant scholarly contributions to the field of education. The program also develops the careers of its recipients through professional development activities involving National Academy of Education members.

Applicants must have received their PhD, EdD, or equivalent research degree between January 1, 2008, and December 31, 2012.

The fellowship of US \$55,000 will be awarded to up to twenty scholars in 2014. Fellows may elect to take the fellowship full-time over one year or half-time over two years. This is a non-residential fellowship. Scholars may conduct their research at their home institution or at another research site that they have arranged. During their fellowship tenure, fellows are required to attend professional development retreats hosted by the NAEd and to make a formal presentation of their research to the Academy. The NAEd provides additional travel funds for fellows to attend these meetings.

Further information: [National Academy of Education](#)

## **Prostate Cancer Foundation, US**

### **1. Movember – PCF Challenge Award 2013**

#### **Closing Date: 6 November 2013**

The Prostate Cancer Foundation (PCF) is pleased to announce a new 2013 Movember-PCF Challenge Award Request for Applications related to immunotherapy for the treatment of advanced, metastatic prostate cancer.

This Award will support one large-scale research project concerning metastatic prostate cancer over a duration of two years, providing up to a total of US \$1 million for one team. The Award will cover direct research costs only.

The 2013 Movember-PCF Challenge Award will focus on funding translational and clinical science to advance immunotherapy. Areas of particular interest to PCF include but are not limited to: (1) adoptive engineered T cell therapy; (2) Checkpoint inhibition therapy; (3) Development of rational combination/sensitization immunotherapy regimens; (4) Characterization of biomarker(s) that predict response or innate resistance to immunotherapy; (5) Other novel first-in-field immunotherapy strategies with near term translational potential.

Proposals must be from teams of at least 3 highly experienced investigators capable of providing unique scientific expertise to the solution of a significant problem in prostate cancer research. The team may be assembled from one institution or several institutions from across the globe, and must embed a young investigator as an integral contributor to the team.

### **2. 2014 Young Investigator Awards**

#### **Closing Date: 13 November 2013**

PCF Young Investigator awards will be three (3) years in duration and will provide US \$75,000 per year. The award funds may be used flexibly to advance the career and research efforts of the awardee. This, for example, includes funding “protected time” or direct costs for experiments.

Documentation of an equal in-kind level of support will be requested in the form of dedicated space, equipment, institutional overhead, core institutional resources, etc. The documentation required is a letter from the Cancer Center Director or Departmental Chairperson which confirms institutional commitment to the career development of the PCF Young Investigator while under the direct supervision of a Mentor.

Mentorship is required for every PCF Young Investigator applicant and grantee. Young Investigator awardees and their Mentors will be required to attend the annual PCF Scientific Retreat in October 2014.

Further information: [Prostate Cancer Foundation, US](#)

## **US National Institutes of Health (NIH) Schemes**

The US National Institutes of Health (NIH) issue numerous calls for applications for funding throughout the year.

A listing of all current NIH funding opportunities can be viewed at <http://www.nih.gov/>

Applicants should carefully check the eligibility requirements for each funding opportunity to confirm that they are open to applications from Australian-based researchers.

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## *Prizes*

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### **Foundation Fyssen**

#### **International Prize**

#### **Closing Date: 4 November 2013**

The Fyssen Foundation awards an international Prize to reward a researcher who will have distinguished themselves by their corresponding fundamental research works, directly or indirectly in the goals of the Foundation.

#### **Concerned disciplines**

Anthropology, Ethnology, Ethology, Psychology, Archaeology, Paleontology, Epistemology, Logic and Sciences of the nervous system.

The theme for the International prize 2013 is "Human Cognitive Development".

The prize is valued at 60,000 euros.

The candidate must be proposed by a renowned scientific personality.

Further information: [Fondation Fyssen](#)

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