

# MSI Awards 2007

## Rules and Regulations

### 1. PURPOSE

To promote new talents and research themes around the metabolic syndrome concept, the *Metabolic Syndrome Institute (MSI)* intends to stimulate experimental and clinical research in the field of metabolic syndrome by granting three annual awards – **The MSI Awards for Metabolic Syndrome Research** – to scientists or clinicians who will have submitted the best scientific applications according to the MSI Award Jury.

### 2. ELIGIBILITY

The MSI Awards will be granted to scientists or clinicians working in the field of metabolic syndrome, insulin resistance, and/or related cardiovascular risk assessment and prevention (see *below*: Themes).

The MSI Awards contest is open to candidates irrespective of their gender and nationality. Applicants must use the English language to describe their research work or project.

The Awards cannot be granted twice to the same person.

The Awards will be granted on the basis of the quality of the completed or ongoing research works submitted.

The selection criteria are:

- Originality of the work or research project
- Scientific relevance
- Contribution to the fight against metabolic syndrome
- Scientific quality of work or research project enabling presentation of final report in the form of a manuscript to be submitted to a peer-reviewed journal

### 3. THEMES

The topics considered will encompass epidemiological, clinical, and experimental work.

Examples of topics under consideration will include:

- metabolic syndrome and/or insulin resistance pathophysiology,
- genetic and environmental factors affecting insulin action,
- clinical syndromes associated with the metabolic syndrome, including overweight, obesity and hypertension,
- atherogenic dyslipidemia,
- endothelial dysfunction and vascular inflammation,
- prediabetes and impaired glucose homeostasis,

- exercise and the metabolic syndrome,
- dietary intervention and the metabolic syndrome
- non-alcoholic fatty liver (NAFL) and steatohepatitis (NASH),
- polycystic ovary syndrome (PCOS),
- prevention of clinical outcomes of the metabolic syndrome, including type 2 diabetes and cardiovascular disease

It must be understood that this list of topics is not exhaustive.

#### **4. APPLICATION PROCEDURE**

Applications are only received through the [Application Form](#) present on the MSI website ([www.metabolic-syndrome-institute.org](http://www.metabolic-syndrome-institute.org)).

To be duly registered as MSI Awards applicants, candidates must return by regular mail a completely filled Application Form together with a curriculum vitae and submit a detailed description of their research work to:

The Metabolic Syndrome Institute  
Awards Department  
212 Avenue Paul Doumer  
92500 Rueil Malmaison  
France

The deadline for 2007 is November, 1<sup>st</sup>.

#### **5. THE JURY**

The MSI Award Jury will be composed of all members of the MSI convened during one of the bi-annual meetings of the MSI Scientific Committee. The Jury will be presided by the Chairman or the co-Chairmen of the MSI. All submissions will be pre-selected by the MSI Executive Board prior to their evaluation by the MSI Award Jury.

#### **6. AWARD**

For the year 2007, three successful applicants will be granted USD 10,000 each or the equivalent in euros either in the form of a bank check drawn on a European bank or by bank wire transfer.

#### **7. AWARD PRESENTATION**

The presentation of the MSI Award to winners will take place during one of the bi-annual meetings of the MSI Scientific Committee.

#### **8. DIFFUSION**

The obligations of winners are as follows:

MSI Awards winners will present a summary lecture of their completed or ongoing works during one of the bi-annual meetings of the MSI Scientific Committee and will provide a summary complimentary slide kit intended for users of the MSI website [www.metabolic-syndrome-institute.org](http://www.metabolic-syndrome-institute.org). Travel and accommodation expenses related to MSI meeting attendance will be settled by the MSI.

Prior to receiving the Award, each winner will pledge to relate his/her work in the form of a manuscript to be submitted to an international peer-reviewed journal and to pay due credit to support from the MSI in the manuscript's acknowledgements.

Manuscripts will have to be formally approved by the MSI Awards Jury prior to their submission to a peer-reviewed international journal. The Jury offers no guarantee of acceptance for publication of said manuscripts.

## **9. UNCOVERED ISSUES**

Any issue not covered by the present rules and regulations will be resolved by the MSI Awards Jury.

**This regulation is deposited with the SCP Cochin and Nunes, bailiff of justice, taking up residence 13 boulevard Richelieu - Rueil Malmaison (92500) - France.**

**The competition is organized by the Metabolic Syndrome Institute, a French association governed by the French law of 1901. In case of dispute, the court of Nanterre is competent.**