



# Abbott Rheumatology Grant 2011

Abbott, your Partner for Scientific Research in Rheumatology and Immunology, announces with great pleasure the "Abbott Rheumatology Grant" 2011.

This grant is intended to support clinically oriented research in rheumatology and clinical immunology.

## Criteria for applicants

The applicants are physicians meeting the following criteria:

- **Age:** 45 years or less.
- **Location:** The principal investigator and his/her study center have to be located in Switzerland. A collaboration with other investigators and/or other centers (inside or outside of Switzerland) is allowed and has to be specified in the application.
- **Responsibilities:** The principal investigator is responsible for the project and all legal permissions (ethic committee, Swissmedic notification, insurance, etc.).
- **Follow-up:** The applicant has to present the research project, as well as the final data, at the scientific session of the following SGR/SSR. The applicant will provide an annual report about the development to the President of the Jury Board until finalisation of the research project.
- **Written consent:** (Date and Signature) from the applicant and the Head of the Department or Institution where the project is planned to be conducted.

## Criteria for the study

- **Research fields:** Clinically oriented research in rheumatology and/or in the field of clinical immunology. In both cases, the planned study must have relevance to patients.
- **Legal form:** Investigator driven study according to GCP and/or GLP.
- **Type of trial:** Prospective or retrospective.
- **Status of the project:** Planned or ongoing.

## Award's description

The Abbott Rheumatology Grant supports one study per year.

- **Award:** The winner will receive 50'000.- CHF (excl.VAT). This award will be remitted to the institution account, after announcement of the selected project.
- **Announcement:** The president of the Jury will announce the name of the winner at the SGR/SSR Congress 2011 in Berne.
- **Project selection:** According to the criteria defined by the Abbott Rheumatology Grant Jury Board.
- **The Jury Board:**

<i>President:</i>	Prof. Beat Michel, Zurich
<i>Vice-president:</i>	Prof. Alexander So, Lausanne
<i>Members:</i>	Prof. André Aeschlimann, Zurzach
	Prof. Cem Gabay, Geneva
	Prof. Paul Hasler, Aarau
	Prof. Johannes von Kempis, St. Gallen
	Prof. Alan Tyndall, Basel
	Prof. Peter Villiger, Bern

## Timelines

- **Deadline:** Participants have to complete the template available on [www.rheuma-net.ch](http://www.rheuma-net.ch) or [www.abbott-grants.ch](http://www.abbott-grants.ch) and submit their application and/or questions to Dr. Patrick Dufner (Abbott AG) by **1<sup>st</sup> June 2011** via E-Mail: [patrick.dufner@abbott.com](mailto:patrick.dufner@abbott.com) – via Tel. 041 768 43 33
- **Announcement of the winner at the SGR/SSR Congress** in Berne, 7<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup> September 2011