



Klosterfrau Award for Research into Respiratory Diseases in Childhood 2027

Respiratory diseases are among the most common childhood diseases worldwide. They pose a major challenge for affected families, as well as for medicine and research. In particular, the complex links between genetic and immunological processes in early childhood remain insufficiently understood.

With the Klosterfrau Award, which exists since 2001, the Klosterfrau Group underlines its commitment to excellence in research. At the same time, the award recognises and motivates the next generation of dedicated scientists who are committed to improving the quality of life of children with respiratory diseases.

Objectives and scope of funding

The Klosterfrau Award is aimed at scientists in clinical and basic research on pediatric lung diseases worldwide. Applicants are invited to submit a research paper, which will be assessed by an expert jury. Innovative work with translational potential is particularly honoured. There is a special focus on supporting young researchers under the age of 40.

The award is endowed with €30,000, of which €10,000 is at the winner's free disposal and €20,000 is earmarked for further research activities. An additional research grant of €20,000 may be awarded to the applicant of a second high-quality research paper.

Terms and conditions of participation

- Submissions are possible between 1 July and 30 September 2026.
- Each application must be submitted by a single applicant.
- Only one paper per applicant, with the applicant as first or last author, will be considered.
- The submitted paper must have been published, or accepted for publication, in either 2025 or 2026.
- Applicants should not be older than 40 years.
- Papers submitted for the current year's award cannot be considered again.

- The work may cover clinical or basic research with significant impact on pediatric pulmonology.
- Review papers will not be taken into account.
- In addition to the submitted paper, the application must include the following documents:
 - A short statement letter from the head of the research group confirming support for the application.
 - A short curriculum vitae of the applicant and a list of the applicant's publications.
 - A summary of the submitted paper (max. 500 words) indicating its clinical relevance to respiratory diseases in childhood and outlining questions arising from the work that need to be answered in the future. References to further relevant papers by the same author may be included.

For any questions, please contact the following email address: award@klosterfrau.de

All information is available [here](#).