

## Chiesi Foundation Onlus

### *Call for Scientific Research Proposals 2015*

Chiesi Foundation Onlus invites scientists and researchers to submit proposals for high-level scientific research projects in the following scientific domain:

#### ***Prenatal and neonatal care***

The topics proposed should aim to improve the knowledge of factors affecting neonatal disease progression and to identify strategies to prevent or minimise long-term consequences, thus ensuring better quality of life for these children and their families.

Proposals that significantly advance scientific understanding in the aforementioned domain via highly productive collaborative teams with multi-disciplinary expertise are strongly encouraged.

In particular, this Call seeks proposals aimed at reaching one of the following specific objectives:

**Objective 1.** Describe novel functional, biochemical and genomic biomarkers to predict long-term pulmonary outcomes in preterm babies

**Objective 2.** Identify prematurity risk factors and/or preventative strategies within low-income populations including but not only maternal lifestyle, prenatal care and environmental factors

**Objective 3.** Identify novel biomarkers to monitor brain injury progression in the first months of life and/ or predict long-term outcome

Researchers, whatever specific topic they focus on, are required to devise a communication strategy, by developing effective and adaptable tools for improving the diffusion of scientific results.

The beneficiaries of the grants will be asked to provide detailed reports and annual summary, demonstrating sufficient progress toward the stated goals.

The deadline for the submission of the projects is October 15th, 2015 and the approved proposals will be granted access to Chiesi Foundation Onlus resources from 2016 onwards.

Proposals submitted after the deadline will be no longer considered.

The supporting documents, with all the details related to the Grant Application Policies and the Guidelines for the submission of the project proposals, can be found on [www.chiesifoundation.org](http://www.chiesifoundation.org).

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