

Dear colleague,

The **14th European CF Young Investigator Meeting** will take place in **Paris** (France) from **February 26th to 28th 2020**. This scientific meeting, endorsed by the European Cystic Fibrosis Society, is organised by 5 European cystic fibrosis patients' organisations, under the umbrella of CF Europe. It aims to foster interactions between young scientists in order to create a long-term collaborative European network of CF investigators. The meeting is open to all CF research fields, including **basic research, clinical research and psychosocial sciences**.

Forty young investigators (under 40 years old) will be selected by an international scientific committee to present their work on CF. They will be offered the opportunity to give a 10-minutes' talk or to present a poster. The best talk and poster will be granted an award by the scientific committee.

Leading scientists will moderate the different sessions, including plenary sessions and roundtable discussions. **They will give state-of-the-art lectures on microbiology, immunology, cell biology, gene therapy, and clinical issues in CF.**

This meeting provides a unique opportunity for young scientists to train themselves and share experience. The interactive format of the meeting invites for networking.

There is no registration fee; housing and meals will be covered for all participants. Travelling costs for participants from Belgium, France, Germany, Italy and The Netherlands will be funded by their national CF patients' organisation. Funding of the travelling costs of participants from other countries will be discussed on a case-by-case basis. **Applications from Eastern Europe and Scandinavian countries are strongly encouraged.**

We kindly ask you to distribute this call amongst young investigators involved in CF research and to encourage them to apply for this meeting, which is a major regular event in the CF scientific community.

To apply, please submit your abstract using the application form by **November 3rd 2019**: <https://fr.surveymonkey.com/r/EYIM2020>. Acceptance will be notified as from the 3rd week of December 2019. Further information about the meeting will be provided to selected young investigators.

We are looking forward to receiving your young investigators' applications.

Sincerely yours,

Steering committee:

- Dutch Cystic Fibrosis Foundation (*Vincent Gulmans*)
- Lega Italiana Fibrosi Cistica (*Luigi Graziano*)
- Mucovereniging vzw-asbl Association Muco (*Elise Lammertyn*)
- Mukoviszidose e. V. (*Sylvia Hafkemeyer*)
- Vaincre la Mucoviscidose (*Emmanuelle Bardin/Julie Toubas*)

Please note: Upon application, the abstract's corresponding author agrees to have the abstract published for the conference and to have author's contact details available to conference delegates.