

# Bial AWARD



## 2016



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- 1 *The BIAL Foundation promotes the award known as the BIAL AWARD 2016 under the terms and conditions established herein.*
  
- 2 *1 - This award establishes two prizes:*
  - a) *The BIAL MERIT AWARD IN MEDICAL SCIENCES is designed to distinguish an intellectual work written specifically for this purpose, on any freely chosen medical topic. Only research with results of high quality and scientific relevance will be considered.*
  
  - b) *The BIAL AWARD IN CLINICAL MEDICINE is designed to distinguish an intellectual work written specifically for this purpose on any freely chosen medical topic on clinical practice. Only work with results of high quality and relevance will be considered. At least one of the authors must be a native physician of a Portuguese speaking country.*
  
- 2 - *Works whose authors or co-authors are employees of the BIAL Foundation or of any other company in the BIAL Group may not enter for the prize.*
  
- 3 *1 - Entries, written in either Portuguese or English should be submitted until 31<sup>st</sup> October, 2016. The application form (available at [www.fundacaobial.com](http://www.fundacaobial.com)), shall be completed and sent as a PDF file, without restrictions, to [fundacao@bial.com](mailto:fundacao@bial.com) and shall meet the following requirements:*
  - a) *The first sheet must include the work's topic, title and state for which prize or prizes the work is entered: the BIAL MERIT AWARD IN MEDICAL SCIENCES, the BIAL AWARD IN CLINICAL MEDICINE or both.*
  
  - b) *Full identification details of each author(s), Identity Card/Citizen Card/Passport and National Insurance/Taxpayer number or any equivalent document, postal address, telephone contacts and email address, Certificates and diplomas or any equivalent document including academic titles and a professional CV. The person appointed to present the work must be specified, who may be the author or one of the authors of the entered work.*
  
  - c) *A summary of no more than 7,000 characters, including spaces. It must clearly convey the content of the entered work to provide a basis on which a judgment on its admission for the award can be made.*
  
- 2 - *The following documents, as editable PDF files, should be attached:*
  - a) *The original entered work must not be more than 200 pages long; Arial font, size 12 pt, 1.5 line spacing. It may include drawings, photos or illustrations of any type.*

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- b) *Copies of the supporting documents regarding data entered into the application form, as described above in number 1 b).*
- c) *A declaration, as stated in point 5, signed by the author or authors of the entered work, referred to in b) of the previous number, whose signature(s) must be identical to that (those) on the identification documents.*
- 4 *All the communications relating to authors that are specified in these regulations, shall be made to the presenter of the entered work, sent to his(her) postal and/or email address.*
- 5 *The authors of entered works must sign the following declaration, as a mandatory condition for submission (according to the template available at [www.fundacaobial.com](http://www.fundacaobial.com)):*
- F (author or authors' complete identification, including nationality), author (or co-authors) of the intellectual work on the medical topic (name of the topic as mentioned in a), number one of the point 3) entitled (title) entered for (choose the option according to the first sheet of the application form) the BIAL MERIT AWARD IN MEDICAL SCIENCES 2016 // BIAL AWARD IN CLINICAL MEDICINE 2016 // BIAL MERIT AWARD IN MEDICAL SCIENCES 2016 and BIAL AWARD IN CLINICAL MEDICINE 2016 declare that he(she) has/they have been informed about the complete content of the regulations of BIAL AWARD 2016 to which he(she) fully agrees/they fully agree. Therefore he(she) agrees/they agree to cooperate with the BIAL AWARD 2016 organization, in everything stipulated or implicit therein.*
- He(she) expressly authorizes/They expressly authorize the use of the PDF file of their work under the terms established in the aforementioned regulations specifically in terms of electronic transmission thereof as mentioned in point 6 of the said regulations.*
- He(she) declares/They declare they will refrain from any actions or initiatives that may reduce the interest or novelty of the work, except with a written favourable opinion, given beforehand by the organizers of the Award up to the announcement of the results, pursuant to point 15 of the said regulations.*
- 6 *The PDF file to which point 3 refers to will be electronically sent to the Screening Committee of the BIAL AWARD 2016. The PDF file will be kept on deposit until the results of the BIAL AWARD 2016 are announced, and afterwards it will be disposed of by the Bial Foundation and by the members of the Screening Committee, without prejudice to what is stipulated differently for the award-winning works.*
- 7 *1 - The Chairman is responsible for assessing whether or not the entered works comply with the conditions stated in points 2 and 3 of these regulations. This appraisal will be made within thirty working days after the work's submission. If a work is held to be inadmissible the Chairman must inform the BIAL Foundation of this decision*

*within the stipulated period. The BIAL Foundation undertakes to inform the person who submitted the work within five working days of receiving information as to its inadmissibility.*

- 2 - *Since the decisions of the Chairman are final, no appeal can be considered.*
  
- 8 *An entered work is a work which, having been submitted under the terms of this regulation, has been accepted for preliminary appraisal according to point 7. An entered work is one whose presenter has not been informed of its inadmissibility within thirty-five working days of its submission. Pursuant to this regulation, Saturday, Sunday and public holidays are not considered working days.*
  
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  - 1 - *The Screening Committee of the BIAL AWARD 2016 has ten members, one of whom is a University Professor of Medicine, invited by the BIAL Foundation to be the Chairman. Eight members will be appointed by the Scientific Councils of Portuguese Medical Schools from among their members. The tenth member will be appointed by the BIAL Foundation to be Secretary of the Screening Committee.*
  
  - 2 - *Should the Screening Committee believe it lack the competence to judge the merit of one or several submitted works, one or more experts may be consulted, if decided by the majority of the members. The Chairman or a member of the Committee he may appoint will contact any such expert(s).*
  
  - 3 - *The members of the Screening Committee shall maintain confidentiality with respect to the entered works or entrants for this award with whom they are acquainted by virtue of their profession.*
  
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  - 1 - *The Screening Committee is autonomous and competent to decide, by simple majority, on the assignment of the classifications defined in point 11, below. In the event of a tie the Chairman has the casting vote. The Secretary cannot vote.*
  
  - 2 - *The Screening Committee has sole responsibility for establishing its working method, although it must fulfill the terms and conditions of these regulations.*
  
  - 3 - *The decisions of the Screening Committee are final and no appeal will be permitted.*
  
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  - 1 - *The Screening Committee will judge the entered works in accordance with point 8 and will choose from them the one of greatest merit to receive the BIAL MERIT AWARD IN MEDICAL SCIENCES – a diploma and the sum of Euro 200,000.*
  
  - 2 - *Besides the work chosen pursuant to (1) above, the Screening Committee will also choose the one of greatest merit to receive the BIAL AWARD IN CLINICAL MEDICINE – a diploma and the sum of Euro 100,000, plus the first and exclusive printing of from five to fifteen thousand copies.*

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- 3 - *The Screening Committee may, furthermore, choose up to four works that deserve to be distinguished with an Honourable Mention – a diploma and the sum of Euro 10,000. In this selection the Screening Committee shall consider only the merit of the works, and therefore whether or not the topics are intended for the general practitioner reader is not a selection criterion.*
  - 4 - *Every prize-winning work will be subject to Portuguese tax laws.*
  - 5 - *The BIAL Foundation will be informed of the results of the above selection process by March 15, 2017.*
- 12** *The winning authors will fully authorize the BIAL Foundation to proceed, at its sole discretion, itself or through a third party to whom it freely grants this right, to undertake the full or partial translations, reproductions or citations, abstracts or condensations of the respective works, by any means, in particular in brochures or leaflets of promotional or other nature, after consulting the said authors in the case of abstracts or condensed texts. The authorisation referred to in this point will be exclusive, without any restriction on territorial scope and shall remain valid until December 31, 2022.*
- 13** *1 - The authors of the winning works per point 11 will fully and freely authorise the BIAL Foundation, or any third party to whom it freely grants this right, to use their work for publication, in its original language or in translation. This authorization is exclusive and remains valid until December 31, 2019.*
- 2- *Concerning the work winning the BIAL AWARD IN CLINICAL MEDICINE, the authorisation alluded to in (1) above, includes the publication of the said work as a first exclusive edition with a print run of from five thousand to fifteen thousand copies.*
  - 3 - *The publications authorised in accordance with items 1 and 2 of this point are solely for distribution to medical doctors, researchers and other healthcare-related professionals or organisations, in Portugal and/or abroad. This distribution shall be carried out, at the BIAL Foundation's sole discretion, by itself or by any third parties to whom it freely assigns this right.*
  - 4 - *For the purposes of items 1 and 2 of this point, and of point 12, the BIAL Foundation will notify the authors for the conclusion of the respective agreement, whose text may be requested by any interested party. This agreement must be signed before the public announcement of the results of the BIAL AWARD 2016, in compliance with the provision in point 15.*
  - 5 - *Where applicable, the agreement to which (4) refers will also govern the authorisation for translation, the protection of the novelty of the prize-winning works and the elimination/return of the respective originals.*

- 14** *Without prejudice to the authorisations granted pursuant to points 12 and 13, the copyright of the awarded works remains with their authors.*
- 15** *The results will be publicly announced in April 2017, except in exceptional circumstances. The members of the Screening Committee and the authors of the winning works shall not disclose the award of any prize until the date of the aforementioned public announcement.*
- 16** *The BIAL Foundation reserves the right not to make any award if the entered works fail to comply with the terms of points 7 and 8, or if the Screening Committee decides that the entered works lack the quality and relevance stipulated by point 2.*
- 17** *The BIAL Foundation has no obligation with respect to works or authors not fulfilling the all conditions expressed or implied herein and it may not be held liable for any act carried out by the Screening Committee or any of its members, which may be regarded as injurious to anyone.*
- 18** *All the information and descriptive items included in entered works, irrespective of their physical form or point of insertion in the work where they are used, must mention the relevant author or source if these are different from the author or authors of the said entered works. It is assumed that the legitimate use of such items, descriptions or informative data has been protected by the author or authors, and the BIAL Foundation shall have the right, although not be bound, to demand a proof of legitimacy of the said use, should it deem fit. The authors shall be responsible for any violation of the interests or rights of third parties in this matter; including, in particular, any intellectual property rights.*
- 19** *The BIAL Foundation reserves the right to award more prizes or prizes of higher monetary value than those stipulated in these regulations.*

Coronado (S. Romão e S. Mamede), 2015

**BIAL AWARD – 2016**

*BIAL Merit Award in Medical Sciences - €200,000*

*BIAL Award in Clinical Medicine - €100,000*

*Honourable Mentions (up to four) - €10,000 each*