Guidelines for the Presentation of Monetary Awards
of the Stiftung Wolfgang Schulze

§ 1 Purpose of the foundation

(1) The purpose of the foundation is to financially support research in the area of inflammatory and autoimmune rheumatoid illnesses by public offer of monetary awards.

(2) The results of research work by domestic and foreign researchers must be recent, have been published for the first time and have not yet been sponsored by other parties.

(3) The Deutsche Rheuma-Liga Berlin e.V. manages the foundation.

§ 2 Monetary awards

A maximum of sixty thousand euros may be allocated for the monetary award. The decision on presenting monetary awards depends upon the financial resources of the foundation. The monetary award may be divided. Several results per year may receive a monetary award.

§ 3 Public offer of monetary awards

As a rule, the monetary award is publicized annually in the news media, in particular in the professional journals of rheumatology at home and abroad.

§ 4 Application and submission deadline

(1) The executive committee of the foundation determines the deadline in accordance with § 1 above.

(2) The work must be submitted in triplicate in English or German to the office of the Stiftung Wolfgang Schulze.

(3) In the event of presentation of a monetary award, the recipient of the award agrees to submit a summary of the research work, written so as to be understandable to patients, for the membership magazine of the Deutsche Rheuma-Liga over the Stiftung Wolfgang Schulze within three months following presentation of the award. The Stiftung Wolfgang Schulze expressly reserves all rights from publication, commercial exploitation rights and other additional rights.
§ 5 Decision on presentation of monetary awards

(1) The executive committee of the Stiftung Wolfgang Schulze makes the decisions on presentation of the award and the amount of the award. Recommendations can be made by a panel to be determined by the executive committee.

(2) The Stiftung Wolfgang Schulze can nominate a panel of competent scientists annually who must not have applied for a monetary award of the foundation in the respective year.

(3) The panel should be composed of at least three people. At least one rheumatologist from the executive committee of the Stiftung Wolfgang Schulze should be a member of the panel.

(4) The members of the panel select a chairman from among themselves. They must evaluate the research work which had been submitted independent of each other and prepare a written record on it. Panel members are obligated to observe strict secrecy. They recommend the recipient or recipients for the award. They must state the reasons if none of the work submitted meets the expectations of the public offer to submit applications for an award.

§ 6 Presentation of monetary awards

As a rule, monetary awards should be presented ceremoniously during a membership meeting of the Deutsche Rheuma-Liga Berlin e.V. following the submission deadline.

§ 7 Other provisions

Panel members are to be reimbursed for expenditures incurred in connection with the required meetings.

These guidelines for presentation of monetary awards take effect by resolution of the meeting on 4. June 2002.

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