Chiesi is seeking research proposals for Respiratory and Neonatology therapeutic targets from academic medical centers, universities, and research institutions in North America and Europe.

Collaborating with Chiesi

We look forward to hearing from researchers and physician-scientists who are keen to collaborate with a global pharma company with a strong track record of translational R&D in respiratory and neonatology care. www.chiesi.com/en/

Our objective is to award funds to validate early-stage projects with clear therapeutic potential. Successful applicants will be funded through sponsored research, with up to $280K/€250K available per project for 1-2 years’ duration. This should enable researchers to generate relevant preclinical data or demonstrate preclinical proof of concept, and help bring novel technologies to a mature enough state where they might be brought into the Chiesi pipeline and ultimately benefit patients.

What We Are Looking For

We are seeking therapeutic research projects in respiratory diseases and neonatology care with the following attributes:

- Pre-clinical validation of potential therapeutic targets
- Solid link between target and the etiopathogenesis and/or progression of a disease
- Strong potential for clinical impact
- Innovative experimental models developed to support the research
- Small molecule and biologics as novel therapeutic agents will be considered, with
  - Potential for intellectual property protection or strategy already developed
  - Repurposing of known drugs for novel targets or new clinical indications

Therapeutic Areas of Interest for 2019

- **Respiratory**: COPD; Severe Asthma; Interstitial Lung Diseases; Chronic Cough; Cystic Fibrosis; Non-CF Bronchiectasis; Pulmonary Arterial Hypertension; Acute Respiratory Distress Syndrome.
- **Neonatology**: Bronchopulmonary Dysplasia; Neonatal Encephalopathy; Retinopathy of Prematurity; Neonatal Abstinence Syndrome.

Proposal Submission Process

The first step in the process is submission of a Pre-Proposal which should contain a brief, non-confidential 2-3 page overview of the target, mechanism (including evidence for link to disease), and the proposed therapeutic opportunity. A more detailed Full Proposal will be solicited by invitation only.

More Information

Please review the RFP Guidelines, FAQ, and other program information here: Chiesi Academic RFP

For enquiries please contact: AcademicRFP@Chiesi.com

All investigators whose work meets these requirements are encouraged to apply.

Please download the Pre-Proposal template for opportunities in Respiratory here or Neonatology here and submit completed applications by April 5, 2019.