



## *Call for 2012 projects*

# Pathophysiology and therapeutic challenges of Congenital Adrenal Hyperplasia

**IFCAH** is a private fund raising, aimed to promote academic research on congenital adrenal hyperplasia. In 2012, it launches its second call for projects, to support research on this disease, in order to improve its management in children as well as in adults.

### **Funding**

Selected research projects will be supported from **EUR50k up to EUR150k** (total) and the funding period will not exceed three years. It will be possible to use the funds to acquire specific equipment, for operating costs or financing salaries of co-workers.

### **Specific themes**

Basic or clinical projects should be focused on congenital adrenal hyperplasia and related topics such as:

- 1) Better understanding of natural and iatrogenic complications** of the disease: impact on growth, puberty, male and female fertility, metabolic and cardiovascular systems, bone density....
- 2) New therapeutic targets and protocols**

Purely descriptive studies will not be considered: mechanistic hypotheses and protocols designed to validate them should be described.

### **Eligibility**

Applicants must hold an M.D., Ph.D., or equivalent academic degree and have a faculty position or equivalent at a college, university, medical school, or comparable institution. The projects submitted will be evaluated by international experts based on the following criteria: originality and competitiveness at the international level of the project, quality of the applicant, feasibility and budget justification. Special attention will be given to applications aimed at improving treatment and patient management.

### **Submission of application files**

Information is available on <http://ifcah.org> and specific application forms can be obtained at [cfp2012@ifcah.org](mailto:cfp2012@ifcah.org). Applications must be submitted no later than **March 30th, 2012**.

Investigators will be informed of the decision relative to their funding in July 2012.