

PRÉMIO **Bial**   

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**2008**

**Regulation**

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## BIAL AWARD 2008 REGULATION

- 1 - The BIAL Foundation promotes the award designated as **BIAL AWARD 2008** under the terms and conditions hereby established.
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  - 1 - This award will establish two prizes:
    - a) The **BIAL MERIT AWARD IN MEDICAL SCIENCES** is designed to distinguish intellectual written works on any freely chosen medical topic. To meet the eligibility conditions research of high quality and scientific relevance must be presented. At least one of the authors must be a physician.
    - b) The **BIAL AWARD IN CLINICAL MEDICINE** is designed to distinguish an intellectual written work on any freely chosen medical topic on clinical practice. which is of high quality and relevance . At least one of the authors must be a native physician of a Portuguese speaking country.
  - 2 - Works whose authors or co-authors are collaborators of the BIAL Foundation or of any other company of the BIAL Group shall not apply for the Prize.
- 3 - An original specimen written in either Portuguese or English of each applicant work, together with eight additional copies, shall be sent to the BIAL Foundation, À Av. da Siderurgia Nacional, 4745-457 S. Mamede do Coronado, Portugal, until the 31st October, 2008, and shall meet the following requirements:
  - a) The original shall be typewritten or printed on white A4 sheets, up to a maximum of 30 lines each, numbered and organized. This original shall not have more than two hundred pages.
  - b) On the first sheet shall be mentioned the work's theme, title and for which prize the work is applying: the **BIAL MERIT AWARD IN MEDICAL SCIENCES** or the **BIAL AWARD IN CLINICAL MEDICINE**.
  - c) The original may include drawings, photos or illustrations of any type, so long as the requirements referred to in a) of this article shall be fulfilled.
  - d) A summary up to a maximum of three pages is required and shall clearly express the work content, so that at first analysis, a judgement for its admission for the award can be made.
- 4 - At the moment of the presentation of the original referred in article 3, the following documentation shall be attached:
  - a) Complete identification via photocopies of the Identity Card and National Insurance number or any equivalent document, the author or authors' correspondence address, including academic titles and professional "curriculum", as well as indication of the appointed presenter of the work and respective correspondence address, phone (e-mail, if available) given the fact that such condition can be held by the author or by one of the authors of the applicant work. These information shall be typewritten or printed on white sheets, A4 size, signed by the presenter on the last sheet and initialled on any other sheets.

- b) A declaration, as stated in article 6, signed by the intellectual author or authors referred to in the previous paragraph, on a white sheet, in accordance with applicable law, including, in the event that the signing is done outside Portugal, certification by an official from the Portuguese Embassy or Consulate or, if the signature is certified by Notary of a country which is a signatory to the Hague Apostille Convention of 5 October 1961, the affixing of the said Apostille pursuant to the aforesaid Convention.
- 5 - 1 - All the communications due to this regulation and respective to authors shall be made with the presenter of the applicant work at his address, as indicated in the previous article.
- 2 - A receipt, including a number for provisory work identification, shall be issued by BIAL Foundation against the presentation of the original work.
- 6 - Intellectual authors of applicant works shall subscribe as a mandatory condition for submission, the following declaration.
- F (author or authors' complete identification, including nationality), author (or co-authors) of the intellectual work on the medical topic (identification of the theme as referred in b) article 3) entitled ( title identification) applying to the **BIAL MERIT AWARD IN MEDICAL SCIENCES 2008** (or **BIAL AWARD IN CLINICAL MEDICINE 2008**) declare to have been informed, on this date, about the complete content of the regulation which was given to him/her (them), and to which he/she (they) fully agree. Therefore he/she (they) accept to collaborate with the **BIAL AWARD 2008** organization, in everything stipulated or implicit hereby.  
He/she (They) clearly authorize the use of the original and copies of his work under the terms referred in the mentioned regulation namely in terms of full photocopied reproduction as referred in article 7. He/she (they) declare to abstain from any actions or initiatives tendant to reduce the interest of such unpublished work, except with a written favourable opinion, previously given by the organization of the prize, and this up to the announcement of the results, in the terms of article 17 of the said regulation.
- 7 - The original to which article 3 refers to will be kept in deposit until the announcement of the results of the **BIAL AWARD 2008**, and afterwards it will be returned to the presenter, without prejudice to what is stipulated differently for the award-winning works. The copies of the said article shall not be returned and are intended for the following:
- a) One will be delivered within an eight working day period after the receipt date, to the Chairman of the Screening Committee, in the terms and for purpose of article 8.
- b) The other reproductions are intended to be consulted by the other Members of the Committee.
- 8 - 1 -The Chairman is entitled to pronounce judgement on every applicant work, which shall be in compliance with the conditions stated in articles 2 and 3. This appraisal will be done within a thirty working day period after its presentation and, in case the decision is of non-admission to the award, the Chairman will have to inform the BIAL Foundation about his decision within the said period.  
The BIAL Foundation will undertake the responsibility to inform the responsible for the work's application, within a five working day period, after receipt of the information of non-admissibility.

- 2 - Since the decisions of the Chairman are final, no appeal shall be considered.
- 9 - The **Participant work** is one which having applied in the terms of this award was admitted for preliminary appraisal as referred in article 8. A Participant work is the applicant work whose presenter has not received any information of non-admission within a thirty-five working day period after its presentation. In the terms of this regulation, Saturday, Sunday and holidays are not considered working days.
- 10 - 1 -The Screening Committee of the **Bial Award 2008** is formed by nine elements, one of them is an University Professor in Medicine, invited by the BIAL Foundation as Chairman. Seven members will be appointed by the Scientific Boards of five Portuguese Medical Schools, among its members. The ninth member will be appointed by the BIAL Foundation as Secretary of the Screening Committee.
- 2 -In case the Screening Committee assumes no capacity to judge the merit of one or several submitted works, one or several experts may be consulted, if decided by the majority of the members. Contact with one or several eventual experts will be made by the Chairman, or by any member assigned by him.
- 3 - The members of the Screening Committee shall maintain confidentiality about participants and applicant works.
- 11 - 1 -The Screening Committee is autonomous and competent to deliberate, by simple majority, about the attribution of the classifieds as defined in article 12. In the case where no majority is reached the Chairman has the casting vote. The Secretary has no right to vote.
- 2 -To the Screening Committee befalls, exclusively, the definition of the working method, although being obliged, to perform the terms and conditions of this regulation.
- 3 -The deliberations of the Screening Committee are final and no appeal will be permitted.
- 12 - 1 – The Screening Committee will judge the participant works in the terms of article 9 and will elect between them that of greatest merit to receive the **Bial MERIT AWARD IN MEDICAL SCIENCES**.
- 2 - Besides the elected work as decided by the above, the Screening Committee will also choose that of greatest merit to receive the **Bial AWARD IN CLINICAL MEDICINE**.
- 3 -The Screening Committee may furthermore, choose the works deserving to be distinguished with a Distinction, up to a maximum of four. In this selection the Screening Committee shall consider only the merit of the works, and therefore it will not be a criterion of selection the fact that the works be or not be on a clinical practice topic.
- 4 - The results of the election as referred to in the above will be announced to the BIAL Foundation, by March 15, 2009.
- 13 - The awarded intellectual authors will fully authorize the BIAL Foundation to proceed, at its sole discretion, by itself or by a third party to whom it gratuitously grants this right, to total or partial translations, reproductions or citations, abstracts or condensations of the respective works, by any means, namely brochures or leaflets, of promotional type or

other, with the consent of the said authors in case of abstracts or condensed texts. The authorisation referred to in this article will be exclusive, without any restriction on the territorial scope and shall remain valid until December 31, 2014.

- 14 – 1- The intellectual authors of the awarded works according to article 12 will fully and gratuitously authorize the BIAL Foundation, or a third party to whom it gratuitously grants this right, to publish their work, in their native language or as a translation, this authorization being exclusive and remaining valid until December 31, 2011.
  - 2- Concerning the work awarded with the **Bial AWARD IN CLINICAL MEDICINE**, the authorization to which number 1 refers to, includes the publication of the said work as a first exclusive edition of about seven thousand to fifteen thousand books.
  - 3- The publications authorised in accordance with items 1 and 2 of this article are solely and exclusively to be distributed to Medical Doctors, investigators and other healthcare-related professionals or organisations, in Portugal and/or abroad. The said distribution shall be carried out, according to the BIAL Foundation's sole discretion, by itself or by any third parties to whom it gratuitously grants this right.
  - 4 - For the purposes of items 1 and 2 of this article, and of the previous article, the BIAL Foundation will notify the authors for the signature of the respective agreement, whose text may be requested by any party. This agreement shall be signed before the public announcement of the results of the **Bial AWARD 2008**, according to what is established in article 17.
  - 5 - The agreement to which the previous number refers to, will also rule, if it is the case, the authorisation for translation, the protection of the awarded work as an unpublished one and the return of the respective originals.
- 15 - Without prejudice to the authorizations granted pursuant to articles 13 and 14, the copyright to the awarded works is retained by their authors.
- 16 - To the individual author or co-authors of the awarded works the following prizes will be delivered:
- a) The distinguished work with the **Bial MERIT AWARD IN MEDICAL SCIENCES** – a diploma and the amount of Euro 150.000;
  - b) The work distinguished with the **Bial AWARD IN CLINICAL MEDICINE** – a diploma and the amount of Euro 50.000 and, furthermore, a first and exclusive edition of seven thousand to fifteen thousand books;
  - c) In case of Distinctions each one will receive a diploma and the amount of Euro 5.000.
- 2 - Every awarded work will be subject to Portuguese tax laws.
- 17 - The results will be publicly announced during April 2009, except in exceptional circumstances. The members of the Screening Committee and the intellectual authors of the awarded works shall keep the grant of any award confidential until the date of the aforementioned public announcement.
- 18 - The BIAL Foundation reserves the right not to grant any award should the applicant works fail to comply with the terms of articles 8 and 9, or should the Screening

Committee decide that the Participant works lack the quality or relevance stipulated by Article 2.

- 19 - The BIAL Foundation has no obligation relative to the works or to the authors not fulfilling the conditions expressed or inferred hereby and shall not be responsible for any act carried out by the Screening Committee or any of its Members, or by the subjects referred in article 4, further considered as prejudicial for anyone.
- 20 - Any data or description included in the applicant work, irrespective of their physical form or point of insertion in the work where they are used, shall mention the author or the source, whenever they are not of the author or authors. It is assumed that the legitimate use of such elements, descriptions or information data has been protected by the author or authors, and the BIAL Foundation shall have the right, although not the obligation, to demand a proof of legitimacy of the said use. The authors shall be responsible for any violation of the interests or rights of third parties in this matter, including but not limited to any intellectual property rights.
- 21 - The BIAL Foundation reserves the right to allocate more prizes or of higher monetary value than stipulated in this regulation.

*S. Mamede do Coronado, July 2007*

**Bial AWARD - 2008**

BIAL Merit Award in Medical Sciences - € 150.000  
BIAL Award in Clinical Medicine - € 50.000  
Distinctions (up to a maximum of four) - € 5.000 each