ANNOUNCEMENT OF A PRIZE ESSAY
Invitation to trainees

Propose a psychodermatological study and

GIVE A 15 MINUTES LECTURE ON THE RESULTS

at the
15th CONGRESS OF THE
EUROPEAN SOCIETY FOR DERMATOLOGY AND PSYCHIATRY
IN ROSKILDE, DENMARK
6TH-8TH JUNE 2013

Proposal due: 15th February 2012

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The 15th Congress of the European Society for Dermatology and Psychiatry (ESDaP) will take A STRUCTURED PERSPECTIVE on six psychodermatological topics:

- Body Dysmorphic Disorder
- Self-induced skin-lesions
- Pharmacology
- Psychoneuroimmunology
- Therapy - Mindfulness, Cognitive Therapy, Psychodynamics/ Psychoanalyses
- Stigmatization

THE STRUCTURED PERSPECTIVE

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<td><strong>2. Methods</strong> How to get scientific results?</td>
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<td><strong>3. Data</strong> Results of announced investigations, with only brief reference to background</td>
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The aim of the structured perspective is to increase the knowledge, provide data and improve the medical/therapeutic care in relation to the topic. It is hoped that this will be obtained by an in depth understanding of a chosen topic facilitated by the structured approach:

1. What is covered by the subheading of a given topic (background, perspective etc.)?
2. How can scientific results be obtained (an overview of methods)?
3. What do methods show (methods and results)?

**The Prize Essay**

The Prize Essay refers to the third part of the structured perspective: **Data**.

The aim of the competition is to promote investigations that will provide hard scientific data on the chosen subjects.

Applicants are invited to submit research protocols for any of the six topics of the 15th ESDaP congress. The proposal shall include a detailed plan of the study: objectives, hypothesis, study goals, research questions, materials and methods (study setting, study design, sampling frame, sample size, variables), and provisional references.

The winners of the prize essay will enter into the main programme with a 15 minutes lecture at the forthcoming congress in Roskilde, Denmark, June 6th-8th 2013 and describe the project in an article by the end of 2013.

In addition to a place in the invited programme of the congress, the winners will receive a free membership of ESDaP for 1 year, and free congress registration for the presenting author.

Abstract due: 1st April 2013

**Applicants’ position**

Trainee applicants will be preferred.

**Proposal Evaluation and Selection Procedures**

The local organizing committee will perform the evaluation of the proposals and the selection made on the basis of scientific merit, relevance and data content of each proposal.

**Submission of proposal**

Submission of proposals to E-mail: ses@regionsjaelland.dk

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**Important dates**

- Submission of draft proposals due: 15\textsuperscript{th} February 2012
- Notification of the prize winners: 1\textsuperscript{st} March 2012
- Submission of abstract to ESDaP Congress due: 1\textsuperscript{st} April 2013
- Submission of manuscript due: 1\textsuperscript{st} November 2013
RESEARCH PLAN FOR ANNOUNCED INVESTIGATIONS

**Protocol and manuscript on each of the six topics:**

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*Based on: CONSORT 2010 Flow Diagram*