



2011 TWS Travel Award

for Eastern European HSP-Researchers

The Tom Wahlig Foundation has devoted itself to support research into the hereditary spastic paraplegias (HSPs). Over the last 10 years we have financed nearly 30 national and international projects dealing with different aspects of this group of neurodegenerative movement disorders. In addition, we have established an annual symposium as an attractive platform for HSP researchers to present their findings, exchange ideas and initiate collaborations. On March 18th 2011 we will already host our 10th symposium. As in previous years this anniversary meeting will be associated with the DGKN conference¹ in Münster (Germany). Its title “Current clinical and genetic dimensions of the hereditary spastic paraplegias” is intended to represent a conceptual framework for the presentations to be given by invited speakers.

As an attempt to further expand the network for HSP research we are happy to announce, for the first time, the “*TWS Travel Award*”. It primarily addresses scientists from Eastern European countries that are active in any field of HSP research. **The price money of 1.200 EUR** is intended to cover the expenses of actively taking part in our 2011 symposium.

Applications are expected to include (i) title and abstract for a 20min presentation, (ii) a CV focusing on educational and scientific background, and (iii) a short outline on future plans/ideas as they relate to continuing research on HSP. They should be received² by October 15th 2010. The organizers of the symposium will nominate up to three awardees and circulate the decision no later than November 1st 2010.

Additional information can be found at www.hsp-info.de, but please do not hesitate to contact us directly in case of further questions. We would also appreciate forwarding of this announcement to anyone you feel may be interested.

We are looking forward to receive your applications!

Sincerely,

Dr. Tom Wahlig, Prof. Dr. Peter Young, Dr. Christian Beetz

(symposium organizers)

¹ annual conference of the Deutsche Gesellschaft für Klinische Neurophysiologie und Funktionelle Bildgebung (www.dgkn.de)

² We are happy to receive your application by either ordinary mail (Tom Wahlig Stiftung, Veghestrasse 22, 48149 Münster, Germany) or email (info@hsp-info.de).