REQUEST TO COMPETE IN XPRIZE HEALTHSPAN'S FSHD BONUS PRIZE



SOLVE FSHD, a venture philanthropic organization established to catalyze innovation in Facioscapulohumeral muscular dystrophy (FSHD) research, is partnering with the nonprofit organization XPRIZE Foundation to host a global competition to remove barriers and accelerate development of novel therapies for FSHD.

XPRIZE Healthspan is a 7-year global competition, with a \$111-million total prize purse distributed across a Healthspan prize (\$101M) and FSHD Bonus Prize (\$10M), slated to conclude in 2030. The winning team of the \$10M FSHD Bonus Purse must demonstrate that their therapeutic solution substantially improves FSHD-relevant muscle outcomes based on: 1) fat infiltration in muscle via any imaging modality or change in a relevant FSHD biomarker, and 2) corresponding improvement of muscle function, compared with controls. The therapeutic treatment must take less than 1 year.

A template for qualifying submissions and further details on the FSHD Bonus Prize guidelines can be found in the following links:

- Example template for Qualifying Submissions
- FSHD Bonus Prize Qualifying Submission Guidelines

The Competition Guidelines providing a comprehensive overview of both competition tracks can be <u>accessed</u> <u>here</u>. Preliminary registration and submission of proposals are due on **December 20, 2024**.

<u>Live informational webinars</u> on the FSHD Bonus Prize will take place on <u>Thursday</u>, <u>November 21st and Thursday</u>, <u>December 12</u>, <u>both at 9:30am</u> Pacific Time. To register, please use these links:

- November 21, 2024 at 9:30am PST
- December 12, 2024 at 9:30am PST

These webinars will be hosted by the XPRIZE Healthspan team and Dr. Eva Chin, Executive Director at Solve FSHD. For more information contact the FSHD Bonus Prize team at info@solvefshd.com

Thank you for your consideration and we look forward to your entry in the competition,

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