The CSL Behring AB Nordic von Willebrand Scholarship Statutes

1. The purpose of this scholarship is to promote research and development within the field of von Willebrand Disease (VWD) and related primary hemostatic disorders in the Nordic Region. The scholarship may be awarded to projects within basic research or clinical research, or other forms of development in the care of patients with von Willebrand Disease.

2. Those conducting projects within the above-mentioned areas may apply for the scholarship.

3. After evaluation according to §14 the sum has been revised to SEK 240,000 from the year 2014.

4. The scholarship shall be distributed between no more than three applicants per year.

5. The scholarship shall be deposited into an account held by a clinic or university for the sole use of the award winner in the designated project.

6. All applications shall be reviewed by a scientific committee consisting of members of the Nordic von Willebrand Group and a CSL Behring AB representative.

7. The scholarship shall be announced by CSL Behring at the annual Nordic Coagulation Meeting the year prior to the award, followed by a letter or e-mail to the chief physician and other contact persons at the Nordic haemophilia treatment centres.

8. Application forms may be obtained from CSL Behring AB in accordance with separate details.

9. The deadline for application is set at six months from the date of announcement.
10. Application forms shall be sent to CSL Behring AB who will forward them to all members of the scientific committee. The said committee will review the applications. Should a situation arise whereby a committee member’s neutrality may be challenged, the said committee member may be disqualified from participation in the handling/assessment of the application concerned. A committee member may be deemed disqualified on the grounds that the applicant and committee member share the same workplace or that the committee member in any other respect has an interest in the project conducted by the applicant, or may be expected to reap substantial rewards or suffer significant damages from the said project. Likewise, a committee member may be deemed disqualified should there exist family ties or any other close relationship between the committee member and the applicant.

11. A meeting or teleconference, arranged by CSL Behring AB, shall be held for the final decision on the scholarship winners.

12. Announcement of the scholarship winner and payment of the scholarship shall normally take place at the Nordic Coagulation Meeting the year following application.

13. The decision rests with the scientific committee as to whether the applications received are sufficiently qualified for the scholarship to be awarded and whether payment should be made in full or in part. Should the scholarship not be awarded in full, the balance shall revert to CSL Behring AB.

14. CSL Behring AB re-evaluates the scholarship’s sum prior to each new announcement.

15. These statutes may, if deemed necessary, be revised by the scientific committee in consultation with CSL Behring AB.