FIRST NUCIS SCIENTIFIC GRANT TO FINANCE A RESEARCH PROJECT

To promote the research on the influence of tree nut consumption or use in Human Health, the Nucis, Health and Tree Nuts Private Foundation announces the First Nucis Scientific Grant Competition.

RULES

1. TOPIC: A research project on the influence of the consumption or use of Tree Nuts (almond, walnut, hazelnut, pecan, cashew, macadamia nut, pistachio, pine kernel, and Brazil nut) in Human Health.

2. CANDIDATES: investigators working in centres from the European Union.

3. PRIZE: 12,000 A Scientific Grant. First 50% of the payment at the initiation of the project and the remaining 50% when the investigator delivers the final report.

4. APPLICATION: Fellowships Application Form available in Internet at http://www.nucis.org/grant or upon request at nucis@nucis.org

5. TERMS: The deadline for reception of research projects is October 30, 2002.

6. JURY: The jury will be formed by the Scientific Committee of the Nucis, Health and Tree Nuts Foundation, and two Master Members of the Foundation.

7. CONCESSION AND RESOLUTION OF THE AWARD: The Award will be granted to the project that obtains a majority of votes from the Jury. If no projects have been presented or the Jury doesn’t consider the projects of sufficient scientific quality, the Jury will declare the Prize deserted. The decision of the Jury can’t be appealed.

8. COMMUNICATION OF THE RESOLUTION: The decision of the Jury will be published through the media and in the Nucis web Site before the end of 2002. This decision will also be communicated personally to the main investigator of the granted project by the Secretary of the Jury.

9. PRIZE-GIVING: The Scientific Grant will be given to the main investigator of the project, if the author were a team it will be handed over the director, to the responsible person or main author of the research team.

10. PRESENTATION: The are no limits to the number of projects that the authors decide to present. The research project should be presented following the specific Application Form. Three copies of the project shall be presented in person or by registered mail, enclosing a brief C.V. of the main investigator, to the headquarters of Nucis Foundation at the following address: Boulé 2, 43201 Reus (Tarragona) SPAIN.

11. The project shall last a maximum of two years and a report shall be delivered each year. The project and the report shall be written in English. Recognition of acknowledgement addressed to Nucis (Health and the Tree Nuts) Foundation shall appear in the final report and in any publication derived from the work.

12. The participation in this competition means the acceptance of these rules.