smart Medical idea?

Submit your innovation for the Displaying Futures Award 2018
With the Displaying Futures Award 2018,

EMD expands limits in the Performance Materials field and fosters entrepreneurial spirit.

The 2018 award focuses on **smart medical devices**. Tell us about your innovations in the areas of wearables, electronic implants and beyond.

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**Ready to participate?**

Do you have an electrifying idea? Achieved a breakthrough innovation in the field of wearable health monitors, smart contact lenses or electronic implants? Have you designed the smart medical device of the future? Or is your software outstanding in processing and analyzing the data generated by these smart devices? Are you dreaming of starting up your own company? If so, we want to hear from you!

We will select the best three teams out of applicants from around the world. Over the course of twelve months, each team will be supported according to its individual needs, for example in business plan development or prototype building. Each team will receive mentors from EMD and with them access to materials and the global EMD network. Additionally, they will be awarded with up to US$ 50,000 to further explore their idea. Your team can be part of the action – grab the chance!

**What can you expect?**

- Up to US$ 50,000 to further shape your idea
- Extensive mentorship from EMD experts
- Access to materials and the global EMD network
- A special business curriculum in selected areas to support your team at various stages throughout one year

**What do we expect from you?**

We are committed to fully supporting the teams and therefore do not ask for equity or IP rights of your company. However, our company would like to be offered the opportunity to invest and a board seat if we do so. We require the winning teams to spend their money according to the submitted proposal. All contracts are simple, transparent and available for all to see.

**Who can participate?**

Anyone with an innovative mind and the courage to found his or her own business based on a smart medical device for the future.
How do you apply?
Visit our website at www.emdgroup.com/df-award
Register on the application website and answer our questionnaire regarding your business idea, business plan, the IP situation and your team members.

What happens when?
The application period opens on February 5 and closes on April 15, 2018. A jury of experts from EMD will select up to ten teams and ideas on the basis of innovativeness, business potential and social impact.

We will invite the selected teams to pitch their ideas at the Innovation Center in Darmstadt, Germany. The boot camp and pitch day for all teams are planned for June 4–6, 2018. Travel costs will be reimbursed for two members of each team (up to US$ 3,000 per team). The jury will select up to three winners for the Displaying Futures Award 2018 from these pitches.

Beyond the aforementioned support, we will organize a midway boot camp for the three winning teams at the end of 2018 in which they will be able to pitch again and demonstrate their progress. At the end of the twelve months, a final event will take place, including a pitch in front of potential investors.

Submit your application for the Displaying Futures Award 2018 from February 5 to April 15, 2018.
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