

EULAR Research Funding

Improving Research Methods, Capabilities and Processes Grant

Description

This grant is intended to support the development of new tools that increase the quality, efficiency, and/or safety of RMD research. Research areas may include clinical, community, health outcomes, and/or health services research as well as implementation science.

Successful applicants will define challenges and barriers to the conduct of RMD research and propose the development of a solution that can be tested within the pilot project and/or with subsequent extramural funding.

Preference and highest priority will be given to projects that demonstrate a clear path to sustaining extramural funding or to direct implementation of improvements in RMD research.

Requirements

- Applicant must be an investigator from a EULAR-affiliated country.
- Applicant must have an appointment at a domestic research institution/ hospital.
- Investigators may only submit one application per call cycle in which they are listed as principal investigators (PI) or Co-PI. However, a PI can be on more than one grant if he/she is listed as a Co-I.
- PIs should explain in their cover letter the extent of their commitment to a research career and provide any supplementary materials including confirming materials from a department chair.
- Postdocs, residents, fellows, students, and community members can be included as Co-Is.
- Need to demonstrate that this facilitates future research in hypothesis testing.

Award project period

The maximum period is 1 year.

Budget

The budget for direct costs for the one-year project period may not exceed EUR 50.000.

Application procedures

A complete application will include the following components arranged in the specified order. Please number each page sequentially.

- Cover Letter (See requirements)
- Table of Contents
- Abstract (max. 300 words)
- Research Proposal (maximum 5 pages, including figures/tables, excluding literature cited)
- Key deliverables

Resubmissions

- Only 1 resubmission of the same proposal will be allowed.
- Applicants must indicate "Resubmission" on the application form and uploaded proposal. When resubmitting a proposal, include one additional page to address the issues raised in the review and emphasize any additional changes made in your proposal.

Call and review process:

- Call opening: **15 September 2022**
- Call submission deadline: **15 December 2022**
- Presentation of applications that passed the review process by the Research Committee Chair at the next EULAR Council meeting.

Please send your applications to the EULAR Research Centre.

E-mail address: research@eular.org

Subject line: Research Methods Grant