



Cardiac Transthyretin Amyloid (ATTR) Fellowship Competitive Grant Program - Request for Proposals (RFP)

Introduction

The International Society of Amyloidosis (ISA) and Pfizer are collaborating to offer a new competitive grant opportunity focused on supporting fellowships in Cardiac Transthyretin Amyloid (ATTR).

The mission of the International Society of Amyloidosis (ISA) is to promote research, education, clinical studies (including diagnosis and treatment), conferences and symposia on all aspects of amyloidosis worldwide.

The mission of Pfizer Global Medical Grants is to accelerate the translation of science into quality patient care through independent grants, partnerships, and collaborations. Pfizer Global Medical Grants supports the global healthcare community's independent initiatives (e.g., research, quality improvement or education) to improve patient outcomes in areas of unmet medical need that are aligned with Pfizer's medical and/or scientific strategies.

This Request for Proposals (RFP) is being issued by both organizations. An expert review panel will be selected by ISA and will make decisions on which proposals will receive funding. Grant funding will be provided directly from Pfizer.

Geographic Scope Global **Applicant Eligibility** To be eligible: Criteria Do not include the name of the potential fellow(s) in application materials. This grant will be awarded to an institution, not an individual. Institutions with fellowship programs that include independent research and a strong mentoring program. No aspect of the fellowship program can benefit Pfizer's business or a Pfizer asset. Examples of independent research include observational studies • and outcomes research studies where the primary focus is the scientific understanding of disease; use of screening tools and their impact on improvement of patient health. Examples of research that would **not** be eligible include 0 research involving the study and/or evaluation of any pharmaceutical product and basic science and/or fundamental research (in animal model, in-vitro, etc.).

Competitive Grant Program Eligibility

 Examples of clinical training include educational time with an interdisciplinary team in review of case examples and relevant didactic training as well as use of tools for improvement in patient health for specific therapeutic areas or conditions. Fellow time spent in the clinical setting that is supported through grant funds must not be billed as patient care.

Requirements

Date RFP Issued	• October 7, 2020
Clinical Area	Cardiac Transthyretin Amyloid (ATTR).
Area of Interest Focus	 It is our intent to support institutions with fellowship programs for Cardiologists that have a strong focus on clinical practice, research, and education to further the understanding of Cardiac Transthyretin Amyloid (ATTR). There is funding to support 5 fellowships: 1 North America, 1 Latin America, 1 European Union, 1 Africa/Middle East and 1 Asia Pacific
Expected Approximate Monetary Range of Grant Applications	 Grant funding is available to support one fellow for a year at up to \$125,000. The budget can include salary and support of the fellow benefits.
	 Grant funds cannot be used for overhead or indirect costs.
	 Funding will be awarded to the institution, not an individual.
	 Fellow time spent in the clinical setting that is supported through grant funds must not be billed as patient care.
	 No aspect of the fellowship program budget can reflect a benefit to Pfizer's business or a Pfizer asset.

Key Dates	RFP release date: October 7, 2020
	Full Proposal Deadline: December 17, 2020
	 Review of Full Proposals by Expert Review Panel: January/February
	2021
	 Anticipated Full Proposal Notification Date: March 2021
	 Grants distributed following execution of fully signed Contract
How to Apply	 Please go to <u>http://www.cybergrants.com/pfizer/GMGFellowship</u> and sign in. First-time users should click "Create your password".
	 Select the following Competitive Grant Program Name: 2020 RD G – Global ATTR Fellowship
	Requirements for submission:
	 Complete all required sections of the online application
	Upload Proposal (see Appendix).
	Upload Budget file
	 If you encounter any technical difficulties with the website, please click the "Technical Questions" link at the bottom of the page.
Questions:	 If you have questions regarding this RFP, please direct them in writing to the Grant Officer, Amanda Stein (<u>amanda.j.stein@pfizer.com</u>), with the subject line "ATTR Global Fellowship."
	 Please click <u>here</u> to view Frequently Asked Questions regarding the Competitive Grant Program
Review and Approval Process	 A specific grant program RFP uses an expert review panel (ERP) to make final grant decisions. The panel will be selected by ISA and will be comprised of professionals from the medical community with advanced degrees and expertise in ATTR.
Mechanism by which Applicants will be Notified:	 All applicants will be notified via email by the dates noted above. Applicants may be asked for additional clarification during the review period.

Appendix A

Proposal Requirements

The proposal should be submitted in Word or a PDF. This document should be formatted with single-spaced using 12-point font and 1-inch margins and should not exceed 10-15 pages.

Cover Page (not to exceed 1 page)	 Title: Please include the fellowship title, and main institutions Abstract: Please include an abstract summary of your proposal including the goal of the fellowship, methods the institution uses to support the fellow's training and research, and assessment.
Overall Goals and Objectives of the Fellowship	 Describe the overall goal of the fellowship. Describe the focus of research and/or clinical training as applicable that is being supported in general terms based on the categorizations listed in this application.
Methods	 Please describe the mentoring process. Include a description of the methods used to support the fellow and their research and/or clinical training.
Resources	 Please describe the institution's academic, clinical training, and research capacity, including number of ATTR patients seen per year. Describe the facilities/resources that are made available to the fellow. Provide a summary of relevant past work that is applicable.
Challenges	 Please provide a summary of potential challenges and of plans for addressing those challenges
Institutional Support	 Division Head/ Department Chair Letter of Support. Primary mentor; Secondary mentor (if applicable) Letter of Support
Budget	 Budget: Address any additional sources of financial support for this proposal, including current and pending sources of funding
	 Any request for funds beyond salary support will not be provided as part of the award
Anticipated Project Timeline	 Provide an anticipated timeline for your project including project start/end dates

Additional Information

If there is any additional information you feel Pfizer should be aware of concerning the importance of this project, please summarize here

Budget Requirements

• The budget should be submitted in Excel. There is no page limit.

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