

Pfizer Announces a Research Grant RFP

Transthyretin Amyloid Cardiomyopathy (ATTR-CM) Research in Canada

Competitive Grant Program - internal Pfizer review process

I. Background

Pfizer Global Medical Grants (GMG) 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.

Pfizer's GMG competitive grant program involves a publicly posted general Request for Proposal (RFP) that provides detail regarding a general area of interest, sets timelines for review and approval, and uses an internal Pfizer review process to make final grant decisions. Organizations are invited to submit an application addressing the research gaps as outlined in the specific RFP.

For all Investigator Sponsored Research (ISRs) and general research grants, the grant requester (and ultimately the grantee) is responsible for the design, implementation, sponsorship, and conduct of the independent initiative supported by the grant, including compliance with any regulatory requirements. Pfizer must not be involved in any aspect of study protocol or project development, nor the conduct or monitoring of the research program.

NOTE: A French translation of this RFP can be found here.

II. Eligibility

Geographic Scope:	Canada
Applicant Eligibility Criteria	The institution and principal investigator (PI) must be based in one of the eligible countries noted above.
	 Only organizations are eligible to receive grants, not individuals or medical practice groups.
	 The applicant (PI) must have a medical or postdoctoral degree (MD, PhD, or equivalent), an advanced nursing degree (BSN with a MS/PhD), or a degree in Pharmacy, Physiotherapy, or Social Work.
	Applicant must be affiliated with a host institution

III. Requirements

Date RFP Issued	• January 15 th , 2021
Clinical Area	Transthyretin Amyloid Cardiomyopathy
General Area of Interest for this RFP:	 Early identification, evaluation, diagnosis, prognosis & management Epidemiology
	 Prevalence of TTR amyloidosis among at-risk populations (e.g. carpal tunnel syndrome, aortic stenosis, hypertrophic cardiomyopathy, lumbar spinal stenosis, hip & knee arthroplasty, atrial fibrillation)
	 Changing epidemiology of cardiac amyloid subtypes (hereditary vs wild-type) Mixed phenotypic manifestations (e.g. polyneuropathy and cardiomyopathy) Development of new quality of life measures or patient reported outcomes measures in ATTR amyloidosis





Expected Approximate Monetary Range of Grant Applications:	Individual projects requesting up to \$100,000 will be considered.
Key Dates:	 RFP release date: January 15^{th,} 2021 Application due date: March 30th, 2021 Review of applications: April 2021 Anticipated Full Proposal Notification Date: May 2021
How to Submit:	 Please go to www.cybergrants.com/pfizer/Research and sign in. First-time users should click "Create your password". In the application: For the question "Are you replying to a Request for Proposal as part of the Competitive Grant Program?" select Yes Select the following Competitive Grant Program Name: 2021 RD CAN- Transthyretin Amyloid Cardiomyopathy (ATTR-CM) Research Canada Select the following Primary Area of Interest: TTR Amyloidosis Requirements for submission: Complete all required sections of the online application and upload your project proposal (see Appendix) in the Proposal/Protocol field. If you encounter any technical difficulties with the website, please click the "Technical Questions" link at the bottom of the page. IMPORTANT: Be advised applications submitted after the due date will not be reviewed.
Questions:	 If you have questions regarding this RFP, please direct them in writing to Amanda Stein (amanda.j.stein@pfizer.com), with the subject line "ATTR-CM Research in Canada." Please click here to view Frequently Asked Questions regarding the Competitive Grant Program
Review and Approval Process	Grant requests received in response to a general RFP are reviewed by Pfizer to make final grant decisions.
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.





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Appendix A General RFP Submission Requirements

Project Proposals/Protocols should be single-spaced using Calibri 12-point font and 1-inch margins. Note there is a 15-page limit exclusive of references. Please include the following:

Goals and Objectives	 Provide the main goal of the study and the study population (if applicable). Provide a detailed definition that is directly linked to the primary objective
Assessment of Need for the Project	This should reflect your study rationale. Provide a brief description of the medical/scientific question and the rationale of how this trial or study addresses the question
Target Audience	 Describe the primary audience(s) targeted for this project. For Investigator Sponsored Clinical Trials, please specify the age, gender and other demographic information for trial population
	 Also indicate whom you believe will directly benefit from the project outcomes. Describe the overall population size as well as the size of your sample population
Project Design and Methods	Describe concisely the research design and methods for achieving the stated goals. For a clinical interventional study, include inclusion/exclusion criteria, treatment plan and statistical plan
Innovation	 Explain what measures you have taken to assure that this project idea is original and does not duplicate other projects. Describe how this project builds upon existing work, pilot projects, or ongoing projects developed either by your institution or other institutions related to this project
Evaluation and Outcomes	 Specify type and frequency of safety, efficacy, and/or outcome measures. Also indicate the method(s) used to assess measures
	 Provide a publication plan describing intended submission of abstracts to (a) congress(es) or intended submission of (a) publication(s) to peer-reviewed journals. All publications must follow ICH guidelines
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
	 Early-career applicants: Letter(s) of support from mentor(s) and collaborators describing how the award will advance the applicant's career.





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Organization Detail	This information is used to assess the capability of the organizational resources available to perform the effort proposed. Identify the facilities to be used [laboratory, animal, clinical and "other"]. If appropriate, indicate their capacities, pertinent capabilities, relative proximity and extent of availability to the project
References	Bibliography of relevant references.



