

Pfizer Announces a Fellowship Grant RFP

# 2022 Fellowship for Inflammatory Dermatological Diseases Competitive Grant Program – using expert review panel

### 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 Request for Proposal (RFP) that provides detail regarding a specific area of interest, sets timelines for review and approval, and uses an expert review panel (ERP). Institutions are invited to submit an application as outlined in the specific RFP.

This RFP reflects Pfizer's commitment to advancing research, innovation, and training for medical, nursing, and allied health professionals.

# II. Eligibility

Geographic Scope:	United States
Applicant Eligibility Criteria	<ul> <li>Accredited, US-based academic institution.</li> <li>Do not include the name of the potential fellow(s) in application materials. This grant will be awarded to an institution, not an individual.</li> <li>Institutions with fellowship programs that include independent research and a strong mentoring program. Clinical training may be included in the program but is not required.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>No aspect of the fellowship program can benefit Pfizer's business or a Pfizer asset.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>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.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Examples of research that would not be eligible include research involving the study and/or evaluation of any pharmaceutical product and basic science and/or fundamental research (in animal model, in-vitro, etc.).</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>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.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Fellow time spent in the clinical setting that is supported through grant funds must not be billed as patient care.</li> </ul>

# **III. Requirements**

Date RFP Issued	December 2, 2021
Specific Area of Interest for this RFP	The goal of this RFP is to offer salary support for Dermatology and/or Allergy Fellowship programs. It is our intent to support fellowship programs at institutions with expertise in inflammatory and immune-mediated dermatological disorders and have a strong focus on clinical practice, research, and education to further the understanding of inflammatory skin diseases, such as atopic dermatitis and alopecia areata. In addition, as the US demographics shift to become more racially diverse, the need to understand skin of color unmet needs will continue to increase. Therefore, programs that prioritize diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI) principles in dermatology will also be considered.  Grants will be awarded based on the strength of the requesting





	the fellow.
Requirements for Prospective Fellows:	Institution must ensure that any fellow that will receive grant funds must be a U.S. Worker (U.S. citizen, permanent resident, refugee, or asylee), or hold an appropriate non-immigrant visa status authorizing employment in the U.S.      Institution must ensure that any fellow that will receive grant funds must be a U.S.      Institution must ensure that any fellow that will receive grant funds must be a U.S.      Institution must ensure that any fellow that will receive grant funds must be a U.S.      Institution must ensure that any fellow that will receive grant funds must be a U.S.      Institution must ensure that any fellow that will receive grant funds must be a U.S.      Institution must ensure that any fellow that will receive grant funds must be a U.S.      Institution must ensure that any fellow that will receive grant funds must be a U.S.      Institution must ensure that any fellow that will receive grant funds must be a U.S.      Institution must ensure that any fellow that will receive grant funds must be a U.S.      Institution must ensure that any fellow that will receive grant funds must be a U.S.      Institution must ensure that any fellow that will receive grant funds must be a U.S.      Institute that any fellow that will receive grant funds must be a U.S.      Institute that any fellow that will receive grant funds must be a U.S.      Institute that any fellow that will receive grant funds must be a U.S.      Institute that any fellow that any fellow that will receive grant funds must be a U.S.      Institute that any fellow that will receive grant funds must be a U.S.      Institute that any fellow that any
	<ul> <li>U.S. Physician Payments Sunshine Act ("Sunshine Act") and other transparency law requirements must be satisfied with respect to meals, payments and other transfers of value. As a condition of the grant, the selected fellow will be named in transparency reporting as a recipient of grant funding.</li> </ul>
Budget:	<ul> <li>Grant funding is available to support one fellow for up to a year at a maximum grant award of \$80,000. The budget can only include salary and support of the fellow benefits.</li> </ul>
	Grant funds cannot be used for overhead or indirect costs.
	<ul> <li>Funding will be awarded to the institution, not an individual.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Fellow time spent in the clinical setting that is supported through grant funds must not be billed as patient care.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>No aspect of the fellowship program budget can reflect a benefit to Pfizer's business or a Pfizer asset.</li> </ul>
Key Dates:	RFP release date: December 2, 2021
	Full Proposal Deadline: January 24, 2022*
	<ul> <li>Please note the deadline is 23:59 Eastern Time (New York, GMT -5).</li> </ul>
	Anticipated Full Proposal Notification Date: March 31, 2022
	<ul> <li>Grants distributed following execution of fully signed Letter of Agreement</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Anticipated Project Start and End Dates: July 2022 to July 2023</li> </ul>
How to Submit:	<ul> <li>Please go to <a href="www.cybergrants.com/pfizer/GMGFellowship">www.cybergrants.com/pfizer/GMGFellowship</a> and sign in.         First-time users should click "Create new password". [Note: there are individual portals for each grant application type (e.g., fellowship, knowledge, LOI, research full proposal, and QI full proposal). Please be sure to use the URL above.]     </li> </ul>
	Click the "Start A New Fellowship Application" button.
	Select the following Competitive Grant Program Name: 2022 I&I L –





	Fellowship for Inflammatory Dermatological Diseases
	Requirements for submission:
	<ul> <li>Complete all required sections of the online application</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Upload Proposal (see Appendix).</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Upload Budget file</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>If you encounter any technical difficulties with the website, please click the "Technical Questions" link at the bottom of the page.</li> </ul>
Questions:	<ul> <li>If you have questions regarding this RFP, please direct them in writing to the Grant Officer, Amanda Solis (<u>Amanda.Solis@pfizer.com</u>), with the subject line "2022 Inflammatory Derm Fellowship."</li> </ul>
Review and Approval Process	<ul> <li>A specific grant program RFP uses an expert review panel (ERP) to make final grant decisions.</li> </ul>
	The panels are comprised of professionals from the medical community with advanced degrees and expertise in particular clinical areas, or specific needs of a geographic region/learner group, or expertise in research, continuing professional development or quality improvement
Mechanism by which Applicants will be	All applicants will be notified via email by the dates noted above.
Notified:	<ul> <li>Applicants may be asked for additional clarification during the review period.</li> </ul>





# **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.

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Cover Page (not to exceed 1 page)	<ul> <li>Title: Please include the fellowship title, and main institutions</li> <li>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.</li> </ul>
Overall Goals and Objectives of the Fellowship	<ul> <li>Describe the overall goal of the fellowship.</li> <li>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.</li> </ul>
Methods	<ul> <li>Please describe the mentoring process.</li> <li>Include a description of the methods used to support the fellow and their research and/or clinical training.</li> </ul>
Resources	<ul> <li>Please describe the institution's academic, clinical training, and research capacity.</li> <li>Describe the facilities/resources that are made available to the fellow.</li> <li>Provide a summary of relevant past work that is applicable.</li> </ul>
Challenges	Please provide a summary of potential challenges and of plans for addressing those challenges
Institutional Support	<ul> <li>Division Head/ Department Chair Letter of Support.</li> <li>Primary mentor; Secondary mentor (if applicable) Letter of Support</li> </ul>
Budget	<ul> <li>Budget: Address any additional sources of financial support for this proposal, including current and pending sources of funding</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Any request for funds beyond salary support will not be provided as part of the award</li> </ul>
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.



