



**Pfizer Announces a [Fellowship Grant RFP](#)**  
***Inflammatory Bowel Disease***  
***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

<b>Geographic Scope:</b>	Europe, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, Japan, Israel and Turkey
<b>Applicant Eligibility Criteria</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Academic institutions that fall within the geographic scope of this RFP</li> <li>• <b>Do <u>not</u> include the name or any identifying personal details of the potential fellow(s)</b> 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> <li>• No aspect of the fellowship program can benefit Pfizer’s business or a Pfizer asset.</li> <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.             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Examples of research that would <b>not</b> be eligible include research involving the study and/or evaluation of any pharmaceutical product and basic science and/or fundamental research (in animal model, <i>in-vitro</i>, etc.).</li> </ul> </li> <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> <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

<b>Date RFP Issued</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 16 May 2022</li> </ul>
<b>Specific Area of Interest for this RFP</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Inflammatory Bowel Disease (IBD). Through this grant programme, we intend to support research and clinical training fellowship programmes in regions where there are continued workforce challenges in relation to the management of IBD patients. Please note that the grant is not intended to support standard gastroenterology training periods but is intended to support supplementary IBD training for those who have already completed a formal training programme in gastroenterology.</li> <li>• As an equal opportunities employer Pfizer encourages applications from institutions who can demonstrate equitable distribution of fellowship awards to applicants based on age, gender, nationality and ethnicity. 25% of this year’s fellowship grants will be awarded to institutions who undertake to recruit their fellow from a developing nation*.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Grants will be awarded based on the strength of the requesting organisation’s ability to provide training and guidance to the fellow.</li> <li>• New IBD fellowship programmes are encouraged to apply. This grant will not be awarded to the same institution on consecutive years.</li> </ul> <p>*See Appendix 2 for full list of IMF emerging markets and developing nations (Page 8-9)</p>
<p><b>Requirements for Prospective Fellows:</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Applying institution will be solely responsible for ensuring that any fellow that will receive grant funds must have a legal right to participate in the fellowship in the country where the fellowship is taking place.</li> <li>• Any applicable 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>
<p><b>Budget:</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Grant funding is available to support one fellow for up to a year at \$70,000. The budget can only include salary and support of the fellow benefits.</li> <li>• Grant funds cannot be used for overhead or indirect costs.</li> <li>• Funding will be awarded to the institution, not an individual.</li> <li>• Fellow time spent in the clinical setting that is supported through grant funds must not be billed as patient care.</li> <li>• No aspect of the fellowship program budget can reflect a benefit to Pfizer’s business or a Pfizer asset.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Key Dates:</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• RFP release date: 16 May 2022</li> <li>• Full Proposal Deadline: 30 June 2022 <i>Please note the deadline is 23:59 Eastern Time (New York, GMT -5).</i></li> <li>• Review of Full Proposals by Expert Review Panel: August 2022</li> <li>• Anticipated Full Proposal Notification Date: September 2022</li> <li>• Grants distributed following execution of fully signed Letter of Agreement</li> <li>• Anticipated Project Start and End Dates: from October 2022, for 1 year</li> </ul>

<p><b>How to Submit:</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Please go to <a href="http://www.cybergrants.com/pfizer/GMGFellowship">www.cybergrants.com/pfizer/GMGFellowship</a> and sign in. First-time users should click “Create new password”. <i>[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.]</i></li> <li>• Click the “Start A New Fellowship Application” button.</li> <li>• Select the following Competitive Grant Program Name: [2022 I&amp;I G: IDM IBD Fellowship]</li> <li>• Requirements for submission:             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Complete all required sections of the online application</li> <li>• Upload Proposal (see Appendix).</li> <li>• Upload Budget file.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• If you encounter any technical difficulties with the website, please click the “Technical Questions” link at the bottom of the page.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Questions:</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If you have questions regarding this RFP, please direct them in writing to the Grant Officer, Ai Ping Lee (AiPing.Lee@pfizer.com), with the subject line 2022 I&amp;I G: IDM IBD Fellowship, May 2022.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Review and Approval Process</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A specific grant program RFP uses an expert review panel (ERP) to make final grant decisions.</li> <li>• 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</li> </ul>
<p><b>Mechanism by which Applicants will be Notified:</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All applicants will be notified via email by the dates noted above.</li> <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.

<b>Cover Page</b> <b>(not to exceed 1 page)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <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>
<b>Overall Goals and Objectives of the Fellowship</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <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>
<b>Methods</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <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>
<b>Resources</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <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>
<b>Challenges</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Please provide a summary of potential challenges and of plans for addressing those challenges</li> </ul>
<b>Institutional Support</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Division Head/ Department Chair Letter of Support.</li> <li>Primary mentor; Secondary mentor (if applicable) Letter of Support</li> </ul>
<b>Budget</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Budget: Address any additional sources of financial support for this proposal, including current and pending sources of funding</li> <li>Any request for funds beyond salary support will not be provided as part of the award</li> </ul>
<b>Anticipated Project Timeline</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Provide an anticipated timeline for your project including project start/end dates</li> </ul>

**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.

## Appendix B

### Emerging markets and developing nations (IMF 2020<sup>1</sup>)

#### Emerging and Developing Asia

Bhutan  
Brunei Darussalam  
Cambodia  
China  
Fiji  
India  
Indonesia  
Kiribati  
Lao P.D.R.  
Malaysia  
Maldives  
Marshall Islands  
Micronesia  
Mongolia  
Myanmar  
Nauru  
Nepal  
Palau  
Papua New Guinea  
Philippines  
Samoa  
Solomon Islands  
Sri Lanka  
Thailand  
Timor-Leste  
Tonga  
Tuvalu  
Vanuatu  
Vietnam

#### Emerging and Developing Europe

Albania  
Belarus  
Bosnia and Herzegovina  
Bulgaria  
Croatia  
Hungary  
Kosovo

Moldova  
Montenegro  
North Macedonia  
Poland  
Romania  
Russia  
Serbia  
Turkey  
Ukraine

#### Latin America and the Caribbean

Antigua and Barbuda  
Argentina  
Aruba  
The Bahamas  
Barbados  
Belize  
Bolivia  
Brazil  
Chile  
Colombia  
Costa Rica  
Dominica  
Dominican Republic  
Ecuador  
El Salvador  
Grenada  
Guatemala  
Guyana  
Haiti  
Honduras  
Jamaica  
Mexico  
Nicaragua  
Panama  
Paraguay  
Peru  
St. Kitts and Nevis  
St. Lucia

St. Vincent and the Grenadines  
Suriname  
Trinidad and Tobago  
Uruguay  
Venezuela

#### Middle East and Central Asia

Afghanistan  
Algeria  
Armenia  
Azerbaijan  
Bahrain  
Djibouti  
Egypt  
Georgia  
Iran  
Iraq  
Jordan  
Kazakhstan  
Kuwait  
Kyrgyz Republic  
Lebanon  
Libya  
Mauritania  
Morocco  
Oman  
Pakistan  
Qatar  
Saudi Arabia  
Somalia  
Sudan  
Syria  
Tajikistan  
Tunisia  
Turkmenistan  
United Arab Emirates  
Uzbekistan  
Yemen

**Sub-Saharan Africa**

Angola  
Benin  
Botswana  
Burkina Faso  
Burundi  
Cabo Verde  
Cameroon  
Central African Republic  
Chad  
Comoros  
Democratic Republic of the Congo  
**Sub-Saharan Africa (Cont'd)**  
Republic of Congo  
Côte d'Ivoire  
Equatorial Guinea

Eritrea  
Eswatini  
Ethiopia  
Gabon  
The Gambia  
Ghana  
Guinea  
Guinea-Bissau  
Kenya  
Lesotho  
Liberia  
Madagascar  
Malawi  
Mali  
Mauritius  
Mozambique

Namibia  
Niger  
Nigeria  
Rwanda  
São Tomé and Príncipe  
Senegal  
Seychelles  
Sierra Leone  
South Africa  
South Sudan  
Tanzania  
Togo  
Uganda  
Zambia  
Zimbabwe

1. World Economic Outlook 2020. IMF. *Downloaded from:*  
<https://www.imf.org/en/Publications/WEO/weo-database/2020/October/select-aqgr-data>  
*On 25 January 2021*