

RECORDATI RARE DISEASES GRANT OFFER 2021

Funding Opportunity Title

RESEARCH AND DISSEMINATION OF RESEARCH IN INBORN ERRORS OF METABOLISM

Funding Opportunity Purpose

The purpose of this initiative is to support investigator-initiated research and dissemination of research results in inborn errors of metabolism (IEM) with the final aims of awareness-raising, improvements of diagnostics, treatment and management, development and implementation of clinical guidelines in the field of IEM.

Potential applicants: a broad range of healthcare providers including genetic counsellors, clinical geneticists, pediatricians, psychiatrists, nurses, nurse practitioners, and primary care physicians, students etc.

Investigator(s) with substantial experience in IEM should be an integral part of the project.

The total budget of the call for proposal(s) - 5 000 EUR/year.

The total budget will provide financial support to one or more proposals (according to the budget restrictions of the call):

- 1) One (1) clinical or scientific research project broadly applicable to IEM medicine as a field or a group of IEMs (technology development; methods development; comprehensiveness; approaches generalizable across diseases, transnational collaboration among Baltic countries (and beyond)) (5000 € per project) or;
- 2) Two (2) projects studying a specific disease or disease area yielding generalizable findings, translation of research in IEM results into clinical practice (2500 € per project) or ;
- 3) One (1) project studying a specific disease or disease area (3000 € per project) and four (4) small projects* (500 € per project) or
- 4) Exchange educational course, e.g. a month at a foreign hospital (with covered travel and accommodation)- if person can prove a clear objective and focus in inborn error of metabolism and development plan in the country afterwards (up to 1000 € per person)

*Small projects: diagnostic and treatment guidelines, scientific articles, educational projects (webinars/publications/ on the disease awareness, developed systems for the dissemination of the information on IEM).

Research projects will be funded for one year. Exceptions for longer or shorter periods will be made based on factors such as innovation, program priorities, needs of the specific research project, how fast the field is changing, and the level of risk.

Key dates

Open Date (Earliest Submission Date)

September 03, 2021

Grant Application Deadline

October 30, 2021

Grant Application Evaluation Committee Review

November 1, 2021 – November 30, 2021

Appilaction(s) can be submitted via e-mail: baltic.metabolic@gmail.com

Evaluation procedure

Applications will be evaluated by an international Evaluation Committee (EC) that includes:

- 2 Baltic Metabolic Group representatives from each country: Lithuania, Latvia and Estonia;
- 1 representative of Recordati Rare Diseases.

Applications will be rated by each EC member through assigning points (1 to 10) and taking into account excellence, impact, quality and efficiency of implementation of the project and the aforementioned criteria. The EC members must declare their Conflict of Interest and exclude themselves from rating and decision-making for relevant projects. The ranking list will be comprised by deriving an average point of each project and a shortlisting will be executed taking into consideration budget restrictions of the call. In case of the equal number of points of the proposals at the top of the ranking list, decisions will be taken through voting by a simple majority. After a positive evaluation, the EC will validate project(s) for the grant the applicant(s) will be informed by e-mail.

Code of Ethics

Applicants in the performance of this initiative shall comply with Ethic Code as far as its principles are applicable. Recordati AB adopted an Ethic Code available at: http://www.recordati.it/en/corporate_governance/compliance_programmes_/, deemed as an integral part of this initiative. Should Recordati AB have evidence that Applicants do not comply with such Ethic Code in the performance of this initiative, Recordati AB shall be entitled to terminate the initiative at its sole discretion, without any right of Applicants to seek compensation for damages. Recordati AB reserves the right to seek all remedies available at law and in equity for violations of these terms.

Project report submission

Following the completion of the project, the applicants must submit a report demonstrating the work undertaken during the study. The EC will examine the results of the project and evaluate what has been delivered in the specific timeline and how the applicant(s) met the milestones/deliverables.

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