# Call for projects 2022 - N° 1 - Basic research in cardiology

The Belgian Heart Fund, the Fund Fernand Léonard and the Fund Walckiers-Van Dessel were created to support research in cardiology in Belgian institutions.
The Belgian Heart Fund was created in collaboration with the Belgian Society of Cardiology.
The three Funds are managed by the King Baudouin Foundation with the help of a Fund Steering Committee. Research projects are reviewed by an independent scientific jury. The Funds are launching a joint call for projects in the field of **basic research** in cardiology. *

## Subject of the call

The call concerns non-commercial projects for **basic research** in the field of cardiovascular pathology. This research encompasses scientific disciplines such as biochemistry, physiology, and pharmacology and their interplay and involves laboratory studies with cell cultures, animal studies or physiological experiments. Patients are not in the centre of the study but biological samples (e.g. blood) can be used for this purpose.

## Selection criteria

***Scientific quality of the project***

Quality of the research

- Design, including a timeline, statistics, sample calculation, feasibility, potential etc.
- Innovative approaches
- Relevance/added value of the research to existing knowledge

***Track record***

- Track record and career potential of the project leader
- Potential of the research team and - in case of multicentre project - collaborating teams (scientific environment, competence, experience…)

***Budget***

- Adequacy of the budget

## Eligible applicants

***Project***

The project is in the scope of the call and meets the scientific criteria. The project has not been awarded yet with a grant or prize.
The same project can't be introduced in the framework of one of the other ongoing calls of the Belgian Heart Fund.
The project has to be carried out, at least for the largest part, in one or more Belgian institutions.

***Organizations***

The Foundation will only fund not-for-profit organizations.

***Project leader***

The call is open to researchers employed for more than 2 years in an academic centre, a university hospital or non-university hospital in Belgium.

***Collaborations***

- Collaborative projects are encouraged. In case of a multicentre project, the applicant should be the principal investigator of the project.
- Projects that involve collaboration between research teams internationally must be initiated and coordinated by the team based in Belgium.

## Grant

- 1 to maximum 4 high level research projects will be supported. Maximum amount per project: €20.000
- No overhead can be deducted from this grant. The entire amount of the grant must go to the researcher and his team.
- The support can be used for all costs related to the project.

## Procedure

If you are interested, please submit **an online application** via the website of the King Baudouin Foundation www.kbs-frb.be. Applications should be submitted **in English** by 11 October 2022 at midnight at the latest. Candidates will receive an acknowledgement of receipt.

## Selection

Applications will be submitted to an independent scientific jury. The jury will assess the projects and will draw up recommendations for the General Steering Committee of the Fund which will make the final decision. The decision will be published in January 2023. The grant will be officially awarded at the annual congress of the Belgian Society of Cardiology planned in February 2023.

## Contact

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N° 2. Clinical research in cardiology , launched by the Belgian Heart Fund, the Fund Fernand Léonard and the Fund Walckiers-Van Dessel Fund.
N° 3 Call for Multicentre clinical trials, launched by the Belgian Heart Fund.
A new call for research in cardio-oncology will be launched in 2023 by the Fund for research in cardio-oncology, managed by the King Baudouin Foundation

Information on the ongoing calls is available on the websites of the King Baudouin Foundation and of the Belgian Society s of Cardiology. **Please note that one same project can only be introduced once, parallel introduction of the same project in different calls is not allowed. On the other hand, a candidate or team can submit different projects for different calls.**

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