

Belgian Heart Fund

Call for projects 2022 – N°3 Multicentre Randomised Clinical Trials in cardiology

The Belgian Heart Fund was created in collaboration with the Belgian Society of Cardiology to support research in cardiology in Belgian institutions.

The Fund is managed by the King Baudouin Foundation with the help of a scientific jury and a Fund Steering Committee. The Fund is launching a call for randomised clinical trials in cardiology.*

Subject of the call

The call concerns non-commercial projects for **clinical research** in the field of cardiovascular pathology. The research must be centred on the patients and aimed to explore the benefit of interventions (medical or non-medical) in patients with cardiovascular disease. The research should have a **multicentre study** design with randomisation between intervention and control. The research has to be carried out in at least two Belgian institutions, or more.

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/clinical practices

- The project addresses clearly identified medical or allied health issues related to cardiovascular diseases

Potential impact

- of the research for patients, their family and/or professionals
- of the results on diagnosis/treatment/quality of care/quality of life

Track record

- Track record and career potential of the project leader
- Potential of the research team and the collaborating teams (scientific environment, competence, experience...)
- Plus-value of the multicentre collaboration

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 project has to be carried out, at least for the largest part, in two or more Belgian institutions.

Projects that involve collaboration between research teams internationally must be initiated and coordinated by the team based in Belgium

Organizations

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



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Project leader

The call is open to researchers employed for more than 2 years in an academic centre, a university hospital or a non-university hospital in Belgium. The applicant should be the principle investigator of the project .

Grant

- An amount of max. € 75,000 is available to support 1 high level project, covering a period of max. 3 years
- No overhead can be deducted from this grant. The entire amount of the grant must go to the researcher and the collaborating teams.
- 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.

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N° 2. Call for clinical research, 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 all these ongoing calls is available on the websites of the King Baudouin Foundation and of the Belgian Society 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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