



SGI | SSMI Research Grant *Call for Application*

Aim

The Swiss Society of Intensive Care Medicine (SGI | SSMI) supports multicenter clinical research projects in all fields of intensive care medicine with a grant of CHF 45'000.00 every three years. The grant should enable the study team to apply for other highly competitive grants (e.g., Swiss National Science Foundation).

Project Requirements

- Multicenter study conducted in two or more Swiss ICUs
- No support/granting from industrial sources
- Primary Applicant: Physician or nurse working in the field of intensive care medicine in Switzerland
- Senior Applicants: Experienced physicians or nurses working in the field of intensive care medicine in Switzerland; members of the SGI | SSMI (one applicant per participating center)

Assessment Criteria

- Current gaps of knowledge
- Scientific quality, originality, innovation and significance for intensive care medicine
- Interprofessionality
- Adequacy of methods and statistics (sample size calculation, statistical plan for data analysis)
- Feasibility and realistic time table
- Data management: The use of REDCap for data management is encouraged
- Scientific track record of the project team
- Investigators' expertise in relation to the project

Assessment Procedure

The grant proposals are evaluated by all members of the Scientific Commission of the SGI | SSMI. They do not evaluate proposals if members of their own research group are among the investigators. External peer reviews will be claimed if necessary.



Required Documents

- Cover letter
- Letters of support from all participating centers
- Study protocol including:
 - Structured summary
 - Background and rationale
 - Hypothesis and primary objective
 - Primary and secondary endpoints
 - Study design
 - Study intervention
 - Inclusion and exclusion criteria, justification of study population
 - Recruitment, screening and informed consent procedure
 - Study procedure
 - Withdrawal and discontinuation
 - Statistics and methodology
 - Regulatory aspects and safety
 - Quality control and data protection
 - Funding / Publication / Declaration of interest
- CV of the primary applicant and principal investigator, including list of publications (last five years)
- Study budget (e.g., salaries of scientific and technical project staff working in the institutions of the main and co-applicants (the salaries of the senior applicants are not funded); material costs that are directly related to the realization of the project, equipment necessary for performing the project, monitoring cost)

Reporting

- Annual scientific and financial report sent to the Scientific Commission of the SGI | SSMI; final report after study end or expiring of the grant
- Presentation of the main data at an annual meeting of the SGI | SSMI (submitted as an abstract)

If none of the submitted projects meets the criteria for support the research grant will not be awarded. The funding will be made available for the next call.

Please send your application to the general secretary of the SGI | SSMI via the SGI | SSMI REDCap Platform: [Link for submission](#)

Start of call for application: December 13, 2023, 0:01 CET
Deadline for application: June 15, 2024, 23:59 CET