

ReGRoW Pilot: Overview of Volunteer Roles

Cures Within Reach is launching its ReGRoW Request for Proposals in December 2019, seeking repurposing clinical trials from PIs based in low and lower-middle incomes countries (LMICs). The expected submission deadline is late March 2020. Cures Within Reach is looking for volunteers to help us connect with eligible researchers, clinicians and research institutions in LMICs; serve as mentors to applicants from LMICs; and review proposal and full grant submissions from LMICs. **To learn more about any of the volunteer opportunities below, please contact Clare Thibodeaux, PhD at clare@cureswithinreach.org.**

Type	Description	Time Commitment	When	Number needed	Ideal Experience
Outreach Support	Help spread the word about the ReGRoW funding opportunity Request For Proposals during the submission window	Email outreach, social media, sharing at conferences	Dec 2019 – March 2020	No limit	Access to contacts at eligible institutions or others who know eligible institutions; willingness to share network
Mentor during initial proposal process	Serve as a resource to and support of any PI considering a proposal submission	Phone calls, emails	Jan – March 2020	3 – 8	Clinical trial design; past NIH or other funding clinical trial proposal submissions; successful funding of clinical research; conducting a successful clinical trial; working with / in LMICs
Mentor during full application process	Serve as a resource to and support of any PI selected to submit a full application	Phone calls, emails	Jun – Aug 2020	3 – 5	Clinical trial design; past NIH or other funding clinical trial proposal submissions; successful funding of clinical research; conducting a successful clinical trial; working with / in LMICs
Mentor for approved projects	Serve as a resource to and support of any PI receiving approved funding	Phone calls, emails	Jun – Dec 2020 and beyond?	1 – 3	Clinical trial design; past NIH or other funding clinical trial proposal submissions; successful funding of clinical research; conducting a successful clinical trial; working with / in LMICs
Grant Reviewer – proposal stage	Online review, scoring, ranking and comments of a portion of submitted proposals	3 – 6 hours over a 2 week period	Mar – April 2020	2 – 8	Past government, NGO or NFP review experience; past NIH or other funding clinical trial proposal submissions; successful funding of clinical research; conducting a successful clinical trial; working with / in LMICs
Grant Reviewer – full grant stage	(Online) review, scoring, ranking and comments of a portion of full grant applications	3 – 8 hours over a 2 week period; may also include an additional 1 – 3 hours of follow-up 3 – 6 weeks later	Jul – Aug 2020	2 – 4	Past government, NGO or NFP review experience; past NIH or other funding clinical trial proposal submissions; successful funding of clinical research; conducting a successful clinical trial; working with / in LMICs

ReGRoW Pilot: Repurposing Grants for the Rest of World

Providing repurposing research grants to clinicians and researchers in low and low-middle income countries to build capacity for research from within the developing world and to find treatments for the developing world

NEED: The need for scientific capacity building and access to medicines is **HIGHEST in developing countries**, but global R&D investment is focused primarily in the US, Europe, China and Japan

- The 10/90 Gap: Only 5-10% of all global health research is directed to research on health problems that affect 90% of the world's population, and only a small portion of this funding actually goes to researchers in developing countries

OPPORTUNITY: Provide repurposing research grants to clinicians and researchers in developing countries to:

- **Build capacity for research FROM WITHIN the developing world FOR the developing world**
- Local problems are best solved locally
- Support retention of scientific talent within developing countries
- **Repurposing drives more treatments to more patients more quickly for unsolved diseases:** cost of repurposing clinical trials is significantly lower than traditional clinical trials (10 – 20x less)
 - Medical repurposing tests drugs, nutraceuticals and other products that already have regulatory approval and are readily available to determine safety and efficacy in treating another indication

ELIGIBILITY

Eligible projects will:

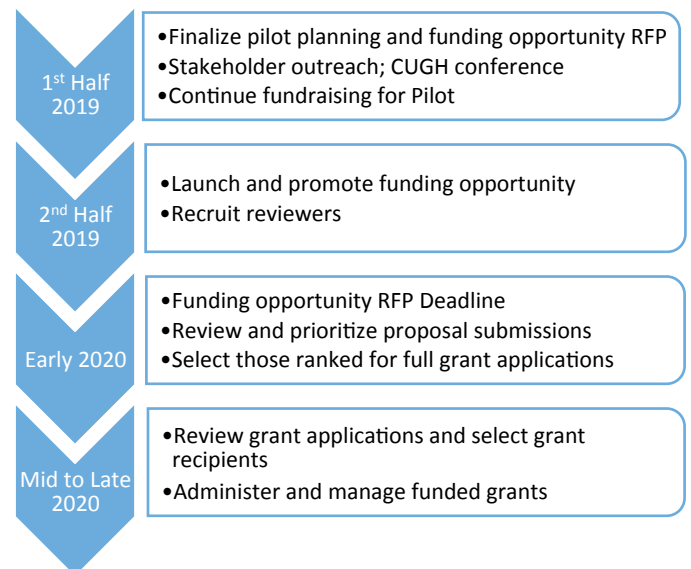
- Serve an unmet medical need in any disease area – ReGRoW is disease-agnostic
- Use only generic or off-patent drugs or drug-like compounds (including nutraceuticals and indigenous medicines), with current access to the therapy in-country
- Be human / clinical research projects only
- Be in English with budget submission in US\$; optional video submission
- Submit using CureAccelerator platform

Eligible research institutions will be “Research Ready”:

- **Institutions based in low and lower-middle income countries** (per the World Bank)
- Have received previous external, 3rd party clinical research funding (government, NGO, private foundation or private sources)
- Have an IRB system or equivalent in place
- Follow WHO's GLC, GCLP and/or GCP guidelines or equivalent
- Have past or current experience with human / clinical research

Approved grants will range from US\$25,000 – US\$50,000.

Initial submission is a high level proposal only; selected proposals are invited to submit a full grant application.



Cures Within Reach has been a not-for-profit partner to medical research stakeholders since 2005, leveraging the unrealized clinical potential and missed therapeutic opportunities in existing medicine and science. Our mission: to improve patient quality and length of life by leveraging the speed, safety and cost-effectiveness of medical repurposing research, driving more treatments to more patients more quickly. Learn more at

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