

The SingHealth Duke-NUS Global Health Institute (SDGHI) seeks to make a substantial contribution to improving health outcomes, particularly in Southeast Asia, through the promotion and support of global health research in the region. SDGHI also aims to build research capacity to address regional health needs through high quality collaborative research and by the introduction and promotion of appropriate technologies and research methodologies.

SDGHI invites interdisciplinary teams led by a SDGHI faculty or affiliate to submit research proposals in an area of priority for SDGHI. Through this RFP, SDGHI seeks to provide pilot funds to stimulate interdisciplinary research collaborations, with the larger goal of enabling investigators to leverage preliminary findings and data to obtain larger awards of external funding. Applications related to health policy issues are also welcomed. Proposals that support and describe a sustainable line of global health research will be prioritised.

### **Eligible Applicants**

SDGHI faculty and affiliates are eligible to apply for funding. Proposals that include collaborators within the SingHealth Duke-NUS Academic Medical Centre or from other institutions are encouraged, but the Principal Investigator (PI) must be a SDGHI faculty or affiliate. A Co-PI from a collaborating institute in a low and middle-income country (LMIC) in Asia is required.

### **Budgets**

Applicants may apply for up to S\$50,000. Awards are for one year, but a no-cost extension up to an additional year may be granted upon request. Smaller proposals for shorter periods are also encouraged. The budget may include: supplies; support for technicians, research assistants and students; research-related travel; and other justifiable and allowable research expenses. Faculty salaries and travel to scientific meetings are non-allowable expenses.

### **Application Requirements**

Proposals must be for research in low and middle-income countries in Asia, with preference given to research conducted in ASEAN countries. A list of ASEAN countries can be found [here](#) and a list of LMICs can be found [here](#). If proposals indicate that research will take place in non-ASEAN countries they must detail how the research project has relevance for the ASEAN region. Applicants should describe plans for how the results generated will be applied to future external funding, as this will be an important criterion in the review. All proposals will be peer reviewed and selection will be based on scientific merit and feasibility of implementation.

### **Dates**

The SDGHI Pilot Research Grant Calls are scheduled to go out twice a year in May and November. However, these dates are subject to change given the current COVID-19 outbreak situation.

### **Queries**

For any queries, please contact [sdghi@duke-nus.edu.sg](mailto:sdghi@duke-nus.edu.sg)