



Vascular Access Society

Application form

Research Grant

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Vascular Access Society
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Mission Statement: the vascular access society supports, educates caregivers and health professionals worldwide. It also promotes and invests in collaborative clinical research on vascular access for hemodialysis.

Background: the society will provide financial support to research to improve vascular access. The 2020 program will accept applications in any of these areas: Basic research, Pre-clinical research, Early stage clinical research and Health services research.

Applicant eligibility: To be eligible to apply for a research grant, an applicant must be a VAS Member

Important Dates:

Applications Due: October 1, 2020

Notification of Award: November 15, 2020

Funding Begins: December 1, 2020

Project code: _____

This code will be assigned by the VAS after receiving your application.

Please submit electronic form (pdf) only. The pdf file must not exceed 10 MB.

Word counts given below are indications for the maximal length of text.

Returned forms should not exceed a total length of 14 pages (using Arial 10 pt).

Application date: _____

1. Title _____

2. Applicant

Name (M/F)	
Institute & Department	
Address: Name Institute, Department Street name Postal code, Town/City Country	
Telephone	
E-mail	



Applicant position in the institute, fellow, director etc	
Academic appointment	
Affiliation to university	

3. Project

Expected start date	
Expected end date	
Duration in months	
Proposed VAS budget	

I. GENERAL INFORMATION

1. Participants

Please provide the names of all funded and non-funded partners in the project. Provide email addresses. Participants will be asked for their acknowledgement.

Name and title	Position	Institute & Department	Funding Source	Hours/week (fte)	Email address



II. DESCRIPTION

1. Problem Definition and Proposed Solution (max. 300 words)

Describe the problem that is addressed in this project and provide the rationale of the project for reaching a solution to the problem.

2. Hypothesis, Aims and Objectives (max. 200 words)

3. Subject Review (max. 750 words)

Describe the current knowledge regarding the central problem that is addressed in the project plan. Provide a sound substantiation of the project rationale and the proposed solution to the problem.

4. Key Subject Review References (max. 15)

Provide important references.

5. Design and Methodology (max 600 words)

a. Provide a description of the target group, parameters to evaluate, sample size calculation and plan for statistical analysis.

b. Risk factors for the clinical studies and solutions if problems arise (max. 100 words).

c. Time line for the "METC" (Ethical Review Committee) procedure.

d. Clinical Trial registration at ClinicalTrials.gov.

e. Please provide a formal approval from the local ethical approval the stud.

6. Work Plan (max. 1000 words)

Provide a concrete and elaborate description of the work plan and describe the steps that will be taken to realise the aims of the project.

7. Time Schedule and Deliverables (max. 200 words)

Provide a concise description of the timeline based on the aforementioned work plan and steps/deliverables.

8. Motivation for Personnel, Consumables and Equipment (max. 200 words)

Give a short description of and motivation for the proposed personnel, consumables and equipment.



9. Animal Studies (if applicable)

a. Motivation for the approach using animal studies to address the project's problem (max 100 words)

b. Proposed model(s) and suitability of the model(s) for the proposed aims in the context of the available models (max. 100 words).

c. Motivation for the numbers of animals required. Provide a power calculation (if possible, max. 100 words).

d. Design experimental procedures (max. 100 words)

e. Time line for the Animal Research Ethical Committee procedure.

f. Please provide a formal approval from the local ethical approval the stud.

10. Limitations of the project (max 200 words)



III. RESEARCH ENVIRONMENT

1. Full CV

Please provide (as separate attachment) a full CV of the applicant.

2. Key References - links to PubMed (max. 10)

3. Previous Grants Awarded to the Research Group (5 years)

4. International Collaboration

Please describe the international collaboration within the research group



IV. IMPACT AND VALORIZATION

1. Impact on (future) patients and vascular access related morbidity (max. 300 words)

Describe why and how the project can contribute to the health and quality of life of patients. Address communication and dissemination of results to patients. Address implementation and application of the products of the project.



V. BUDGET

1. Budget Matrix

Total maximum of the VAS contribution to the project is €10.000

	year 1	year 2	Budget (Euros)
Personnel			
Materials			
Others (specify)			
Contribution of VAS grant (max 50% of project costs)			
Other funding sources			
Total project budget			

2. Financial Management

Name and function of the financial manager	
Telephone number and mail address	

3. Possible Conflicts of Interest (max. 100 words)



VI. SIGNATURES

	Name, position	Signature	Date
Applicant			
Authorized Head of Institute			