

2024 RESEARCH GRANTS PROGRAM SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

Important Dates:

Letter of Intent Due: March 31, 2024

Full Application Deadline: June 15, 2024

Thank you for your interest in The EHE Foundation's Research Grants Program. For questions about this program, or any of the Foundation's research initiatives, please contact Denise Robinson at research@fightehe.org.



ABOUT THE EHE FOUNDATION

The EHE Foundation, founded in 2015, is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization whose mission is to find treatments and a cure for the rare cancer, Epithelioid Hemangioendothelioma (EHE), by advancing research and driving collaboration between patients, researchers, and clinicians.

To date, The EHE Foundation has committed more than \$2 million dollars to advance EHE research globally. The EHE Foundation is eager to identify and fund the most promising research to advance EHE science and positively impact the lives of people diagnosed with EHE.

GRANT FUNDING AND GOALS

The EHE Foundation seeks to fund the most promising basic, translational, and clinical research to advance current scientific knowledge of EHE, expand our understanding of the disease, and accelerate the development of treatments for patients. Currently, our priorities are:

- early-stage translational science that has the potential to identify and advance a new treatment, including novel and repurposed drugs
- investigation of biomarkers for EHE
- development of essential in vivo and in vitro resources and models to be shared with the EHE research community
- clinical trials with strong rationale that bring opportunity for treatment investigation to EHE patients

The award amounts and number of grants awarded each year are subject to the availability of funding. Grants funded often range from \$50,000 - \$100,000. The EHE Foundation may consider larger, multi-year proposals.

Final grant funding decisions are based on scientific merit, relevance to our mission to find effective treatments and a cure for EHE, and the suitability of the proposed research with respect to the strategic research objectives of The EHE Foundation and ongoing EHE research and scientific advancements.

GRANT RESTRICTIONS

- Funds may only be used for personnel, supplies, equipment, and/or services.
- Use of funds for institutional overhead or indirect costs is strictly prohibited.
- Use of funds for investigator salary is prohibited.

ELIGIBILITY

Researchers who hold a Ph.D., M.D. or equivalent are invited to submit a proposal. Post-doctorate and medical fellow researchers must work under the supervision of a research mentor in the related field of research. Prior research experience in EHE is not a requirement, as The EHE Foundation encourages new research approaches in the study of EHE.



IMPORTANT DATES AND INFORMATION

Applications submitted by the date(s) specified will be reviewed and included for consideration in the granting cycle. The EHE Foundation may respond to proposals submitted after the timeline to encourage and support proposed EHE research.

2024 GRANT CYCLE TIMELINE	DATES
Invitation for Proposals	February 15, 2024
Letter of Intent Deadline	March 31, 2024
Notification to Submit a Full Application	April 30, 2024
Full Applications Deadline	June 15, 2024
Award Notification	September 30, 2024

Final award date notification is subject to change, if needed, to allow for additional review.

RESOURCE AND DATA SHARING

The EHE Foundation is committed to facilitating and promoting a collaborative research community that fosters the sharing of information and resources. We believe that open sharing of resources and data will advance the understanding of EHE and is core to our mission to find treatments and a cure for EHE. Providing accessibility to data and resources is also increasingly important to promote future EHE research and minimize the likelihood of redundant efforts.

Applicants should detail their plan for resource and data sharing as part of their application. Grantees must make data and resources generated available to the EHE community and qualified researchers as soon as reasonably possible. Any unpublished data or resources should be made available, upon request, through collaboration with qualified investigators.

RESEARCH REPORTS

Grant awards require the following:

- Progress reports bi-annually (every 6 months), including an expenditure report and lay summary. Funding milestones are contingent upon satisfactory progress and appropriate budget expenditures.
- Minimum of one annual (virtual or in-person) presentation of research progress and/or results per year of funding, as appropriate to the project scope.
- Final narrative report at conclusion of the project detailing:
 - o Study findings
 - o How the research may be expanded, extended, or utilized to advance EHE research
 - o Publications resulting from the research, including planned publications
 - o Where data is available and how it can be accessed



PUBLICATION & ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The EHE Foundation expects all grant recipients to share and publish all results as soon as reasonably possible. Any publication or presentation that results from a grant award must acknowledge The EHE Foundation grant funding and support. Grantees must permit The EHE Foundation to publicize the grant, including a synopsis of the project.

GRANTS REVIEW & AWARD PROCESS

Interested researchers should submit a Letter of Intent (LOI) for initial review. LOIs will be reviewed with consideration of alignment with the Foundation's mission and capacity to support the proposed research.

LOIs should be submitted no later than March 31, 2024, and must include:

- Title of Project
- Type of Project (e.g., basic, translational, clinical, or other)
- Name of Sponsoring Institution
- Name, Title, and Addresses of Principal Investigator(s)
- Lay Abstract of Project
- Scientific Abstract of Project
- Estimated Budget
- Timeline

LOIs will be reviewed by The EHE Foundation's Research Committee on a rolling basis, as submitted, until the LOI deadline. If the Foundation determines an LOI shows good alignment with the research interests and mission of the Foundation, a full proposal application will be requested.

Full applications should be submitted no later than June 15, 2024, and must include:

- Title of Project
- Type of Project (e.g., basic, translational, clinical, or other)
- Name of Sponsoring Institution
- Name, Title, and Addresses of Principal Investigator(s)
- Scientific Abstract
- Lay Abstract
- Background and Significance
- Research Plan
- Performance Metrics & Timeline
- Detailed Budget (must detail other sources of funding for project)
- Biographical Sketch of Principal Investigator(s)

Full proposals will be reviewed by the EHE Foundation's Advisory Board and invited expert reviewers.

Submit LOIs and full applications to research@fightehe.org.