

SPR Scholarship 2021: JACKIE/ Dr. Robert Martins Regulation

1. The SPR 2021 Research Scholarship: JACKIE / Dr. Robert Martins, hereinafter referred to as the SPR/JACKIE 2021 Scholarship, in the amount of FIFTEEN THOUSAND EUROS, is a Research Scholarship instituted by the Portuguese Society of Rheumatology (SPR) with the support of Pfizer with the purpose of financing research in Rheumatology within the following themes:

- Intracellular signaling JAK pathway in the physiopathology of rheumatoid arthritis or psoriatic arthritis
- Projects focused on results reported by patients (PRO´s - patient reported outcomes) with rheumatoid arthritis or psoriatic arthritis

2. SPR / JACKIE 2021 Scholarships is open for application to residents and specialists in Rheumatology, members of SPR, with their annual membership regularized. Applications from defaulting members will not be considered, in accordance with the general rules of SPR Scholarships and Awards.

3. The present regulation and the general regulation of SPR Scholarships / Research Fund govern the selection and commitments applicable to candidates. The SPR / JACKIE 2021 scholarship will be formalized with a written contract and signed by the parties (SPR and winner).

4. Applications must be submitted at <http://submissions-spr.pt> until midnight of October 31, 2021. Applications must be submitted in English.

5. The application process must contain the following elements / documents:

5.1. Identification of the candidate and the respective co-researchers / collaborators (name, date of birth, area and professional category) - 1 pages, type 12, space 1.5.

5.2. Letter of intention / motivation with reference to your experience in the scholarship area, if applicable.

5.3. Indication of the institution chosen to carry out the project, if applicable.

5.4. Declaration by the candidate's Service Director, assuming knowledge of the application and responsibility for the feasibility / implementation of the project.

5.5. Detailed research project; (6 pages, font 12, space 1.5) specifying: objectives; methodology, conditions to support the intended activity and institution / institutions

that collaborate on the project and / or support its operation; expected start time and estimated completion time.

5.6. Detailed budget, specifying the use of scholarship funds (1 page, type 12, space 1.5).

5.7. Declaration of the existence or not of additional funding for the project being applied for.

5.8. Declaration of commitment to at least one submission for publication in the SPR scientific journal, regarding the project that won the funding.

6. The jury of the SPR/JACKIE 2021 Scholarship will be formed by 3 rheumatologists, appointed by the SPR Direction Board, consisting of a president and two members.

7. Candidates and/or their collaborators involved in the research projects to be submitted to the SPR/JACKIE 2021 Scholarship cannot join the jury.

8. The SPR Board may submit each project to the appreciation of independent reviewers, national or foreign, of recognized merit, whose opinion will be considered in the final decision of the jury. The criteria for selecting the winning applications will take into account the relevance of the project, assessment of the feasibility and ability to execute them within the time provided for in the application.

9. The jury may promote the public presentation of applications in the process of formulating their assessment.

10. The total amount of the scholarship will be distributed among 2 projects, one with a value of € 10,000 and the second with a value of € 5,000, both deducted by 10%, an amount directed to the SPR Research Fund in Rheumatology.

11. The president of the jury will, if necessary, have the casting vote.

12. The jury must inform the SPR Board of its decision on the application to which the SPR/JACKIE 2021 grant is awarded, which must be substantiated and drawn up in the minutes, by November 24, 2021.

13. The jury may decide not to award the SPR/JACKIE 2021 scholarship, if they understand that none of the applications meets quality excellence and/or does not fulfill the necessary conditions established in this same regulation.

14. There will be no appeal against the jury's decisions.
15. The SPR/JACKIE 2021 Scholarship will be announced at SPR's website on November 26, 2021.
16. An amount corresponding to 10% of the SPR/JACKIE 2021 Scholarship will revert to the SPR Rheumatological Research and Training Fund under the terms of its Regulation.
17. Applicants to whom the SPR/JACKIE 2021 Scholarship is awarded are required to:
 - 17.1. Send a written report of the progress of the project to the SPR Board, as requested.
 - 17.2. Submission for publication of at least 1 article in the Scientific journal of SPR, regarding the project that won the funding, with reference to its sponsorship by the SPR/ JACKIE 2021 Scholarship
 - 17.3. Compliance with the execution of the project within the time established by the applicant at the time of application.
18. Any communication or publication of results, even if partial, of the research project to which the SPR/JACKIE 2021 Scholarship is awarded, also requires reference to this Scholarship, regardless of its authors and the date of the same.
19. Applicants who receive the scholarship must present the status of the Research projects on a SPR event and beyond until the presentation of the final results, as set out in the respective project.
20. Failure to carry out the research projects within the contractual term requires the return of the total amount received to SPR.
21. The SPR Board will decide on all omitted cases.