

## **SPR Scholarship 2023: JAKIE/ Dr. Robert Martins Regulation**

1. The SPR 2023 Research Scholarship: JAKIE / Dr. Robert Martins, hereinafter referred to as the SPR/JAKIE 2023 Scholarship, in the amount of TEN THOUSAND EUROS (10 000€), 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, psoriatic arthritis, polyarticular idiopathic juvenile arthritis and ankylosing spondylitis
- Projects focused on results reported by patients (PRO´s - patient reported outcomes) with rheumatoid arthritis, psoriatic arthritis, polyarticular idiopathic juvenile arthritis and ankylosing spondylitis

2. SPR / JAKIE 2023 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 / JAKIE 2023 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 September 15, 2023. 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/JAKIE 2023 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/JAKIE 2023 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 - 10 000€ - will be 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/JAKIE 2023 grant is awarded, which must be substantiated and drawn up in the minutes, by October 15, 2023.

13. The jury may decide not to award the SPR/JAKIE 2023 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.