

European Cooperation in Science and Technology (COST)

EURO-VALDI-NET COST Action CA -23146

The COST action EURO-VALDI-NET aims to create a pan-European multidisciplinary co-operative network of stakeholders, bringing together scientists, clinicians, industry partners, and patients associations, to address the vascular liver diseases problems. Through the creation of shared data registries on main relevant basic and clinical aspects, conference calls, meetings, workshops, as well as training schools, this Action will coordinate efforts aiming at advancing the understanding of vascular liver diseases to translate basic

research and preclinical findings into clinical practice. For this purpose, EURO-VALDI-NET will be organized into 6 working groups:

- 1- Epidemiology, comprehensive clinical characterization, harmonization of biosamples collection, Risk stratification, clinical trial design in VLD
- 2- Comprehensive histological characterization for PSVD
- 3- Comprehensive radiological characterization of vascular liver diseases
- 4- Development of screening tools and diagnostic biomarkers for PSVD
- 5- Health-related quality of life (HRQoL) and patient reported outcomes (PRO) in VLD
- 6- Preclinical models of vascular liver diseases, identification of therapeutic targets and development of new therapeutic approaches for VLD

Open Call for the 2025 Short Term Scientific Mission (STSM) Grant

Euro-VALDI-NET invites CA-23146 Action participants with a primary affiliation to a legal entity located in a COST Full or Cooperating Member country, a COST Near Neighbour Country or a European RTD Organisation (i.e. intergovernmental scientific research organisations) to apply for a Short Term Scientific Mission (STSM) Grant.

In total, 9 grants will be funded for a total sum of €18400 (maximum of €2100 per grant).

Goal of the STSM Mobility grant

This mobility grant is intended for the applicant to visit a host organization in a different country than the country of affiliation in order to work on a research project for a period of 5-28 days. The overall goal of this visit is to foster network collaborations and exchange knowledge, techniques and/or skills which benefits the EURO-VALDI-NET COST Action objectives.

Specifically, the project needs to benefit one or more of the following 2025 Grant Goals:

1. To improve medical training on Vascular Liver Disorder
2. To harmonize the collection and storage of all biological samples from patients with Vascular Liver Disorders
3. To enhance the current communication channels and establish novel connections among clinicians responsible for Vascular Liver Disorders
4. To increase the contributions of Researchers and Innovators from inclusiveness target countries (ITC) and young researcher or innovator (YRIs), while safeguarding gender balance and enhancing diversity in the Action

Eligibility criteria

- Applicant is participating in this COST Action with a primary affiliation to a legal entity located in a COST Full or Cooperating Member country, a COST Near Neighbour Country or a European RTD Organisation. Please see for more information on the COST member network: [Excellence & Inclusiveness | COST](#)
- The start and end-date of the mobility visit needs to be within the grant period, i.e. Nov 1 2024 - Oct 31 2025. Motilities finishing before September 30 2025 will be prioritized
- Host institution needs to be in a different country than the applicant
- Minimum visit duration of 5 days and maximum duration of 28 days
- Applicants who are Young Researchers and Innovators (i.e. age<40y at time of application) and/or those coming from Inclusiveness Target Countries (ITC) are especially invited to apply, but this is not mandatory.

Required Application documents

- Online Application form https://www.cost.eu/STSM_GrantApplication
- Curriculum Vitae, max of 2 pages (to be uploaded as Supporting document)
- Acceptance letter from Host Institution (to be uploaded as Supporting document)

- Budget plan (to be uploaded as Supporting document)
- Please send all documents by email to vanessa.justine@aphp.fr (all files should be named as follows: STSM _NAME OF APPLICANT_ TYPE OF DOCUMENT)

Grant time line

Grant deadline application: **February 21, 2025, 23:59hr CET**

Grant awarding decision: March 10-14

Report of STSM mobility visit after grant awarding

After grant awarding, the applicant shall send an online grant report within 6 weeks after end of the mobility visit, describing the outcomes and how the work has benefited the applicant, the host and this COST Action. This report can be found here: https://www.cost.eu/STSM_Report

Open Call for the 2025 Virtual Mobility Grant

Euro-VALDI-NET invites CA-23146 Action participants with a primary affiliation to a legal entity located in a COST Full or Cooperating Member country, a COST Near Neighbour Country or a European RTD Organisation to apply for the Virtual Mobility Grant.

In total, 1 grant will be funded for a total sum of €1500.

Goal of the Virtual Mobility grant

This Virtual Mobility grant is intended for the applicant(s) to harmonize the existing registries and databases within the field of Vascular Liver Disorders, in collaboration with VALDI-Reg and ERN Rare Liver Registry R-Liver, and create an uniform Clinical Record Form (CRF) for Portal vein thrombosis.

Eligibility criteria

- Applicant is participating in this COST Action with a primary affiliation to a legal entity located in a COST Full or Cooperating Member country, a COST Near Neighbour Country or a European RTD Organisation. Please see for more information on the COST member network: [Excellence & Inclusiveness | COST](#)
- The start and end-date of the Virtual Mobility needs to be within the grant period, i.e. Nov 1 2024 - Oct 31 2025. Motilities finishing before September 30 2025 will be prioritized
- Applicants who are Young Researchers and Innovators (i.e. age<40y at time of application) and/or those coming from Inclusiveness Target Countries (ITC) are particularly invited to apply, but this is not mandatory.
- Applicants with experience in databases on vascular liver diseases (and in particular with VALDI-Reg and ERN Rare Liver Registry R-Liver) will be prioritized

Required Application documents

- Online Application form https://www.cost.eu/VM_GrantApplication
- Curriculum Vitae, max of 2 pages (to be uploaded as Supporting document)
- Budget plan (to be uploaded as Supporting document)
- Please send all documents by email to vanessa.justine@aphp.fr (all files should be named as follows: VIRTUAL_NAME OF APPLICANT_TYPE OF DOCUMENT)

Grant time line

Grant deadline application: **February 21, 2025, 23:59hr CET**

Grant awarding decision: March 10-14

Report of VM mobility after grant awarding

After grant awarding, the applicant shall send an online grant report within 6 weeks after end of the project, describing the outcomes and how the work has benefited the applicant(s), and this COST Action.

This report can be found here: https://www.cost.eu/VM_Report

Open Call for the 2025 Inclusiveness Target Country (ITC) or Young Researcher and Innovator Conference Grant

Euro-VALDI-NET invites CA-23146 Action participants coming from one of the COST affiliated Inclusiveness Target Countries **OR** aged < 40y at time of application (i.e. the so-called “Young Researcher and Innovator”, YRI), to apply for the ITC or YRI Conference Grant.
In total, 3 grant will be funded for a total sum of €3000 (max €1000 each).

Goal of the ITC or YRI Conference grant

This ITC or YRI Conference Grant is intended to support the travel and accommodation costs of one or more applicants affiliated to an ITC country **or** aged < 40y to present their work at a high-profile international conference organised by a third party (i.e. not COST). This work must be related to the topic of vascular liver diseases, but does not need to be a direct result of the COST Action. The overall aim is to provide a valuable experience for the ITC country members and for YRI by exposing them to the latest developments and to give them the opportunity to interact with experts in the field in order to support their career development.

Eligibility criteria

- Applicants is a Young Researcher and Innovator (i.e. age< 40y at time of application) **OR** is primarily affiliated with a legal entity in one of the COST Inclusiveness Target Countries (ITC). Eligible countries can be found under [Excellence & Inclusiveness | COST](#)
- The start and end-date of the Conference needs to be within the grant period, i.e. Nov 1 2024 - Oct 31 2025
- The applicant is traveling to present his/her own work, either by poster presentation or oral presentation at one of the international high impact conferences, such as EASL, AASLD, ISTH, ISEV, EMBO, ESH, etc.
- The applicant will promote the EURO-VALDI-NET Cost Action by acknowledgement of this grant in the presentation/poster.

Required Application documents

- Online Application form https://www.cost.eu/ITCConference_GrantApplication
- Curriculum Vitae, max of 2 pages (to be uploaded as Supporting document) including birth year and current affiliation
- Acceptance letter of an oral or poster presentation by the third party Conference organizers
- Budget plan (to be uploaded as Supporting document)
- Please send all documents by email to vanessa.justine@aphp.fr (all files should be named as follows: ITC_NAME OF APPLICANT_TYPE OF DOCUMENT)

Grant time line

Grant deadline application: **March 14, 2025, 23:59hr CET**

Grant awarding decision: March 31-April 4, 2025

Report of ITC Conference grant after grant awarding

After grant awarding, the applicant shall send an online grant report within 6 weeks after the end of the Conference, describing how the grant has benefited the applicants career. This report can be found here: https://www.cost.eu/ITCConference_Report

Open Call for the 2025 Dissemination Conference Grant

Euro-VALDI-NET invites CA-23146 Action participants with a primary affiliation to a legal entity located in a COST Full or Cooperating Member country, a COST Near Neighbour Country or a European RTD Organisation to apply for the Virtual Mobility Grant.

In total, 2 grants will be funded for a total sum of €2000 (max €1000 each).

Goal of the Dissemination Conference grant

This Dissemination Conference grant is intended to support travel and accommodation for an COST Action participant member in order to present work directly resulting from the EURO-VALDI-NET Action's objectives at an high-impact international conference, organized by a third party (i.e. not COST related). The overall goal is to increase the visibility of the Action in the research community and attract additional participants / stakeholders and to disseminate the Action results to the relevant high-end users.

Eligibility criteria

- Applicant is participating in this COST Action with a primary affiliation to a legal entity located in a COST Full or Cooperating Member country, a COST Near Neighbour Country or a European RTD Organisation. Please see for more information on the COST member network: [Excellence & Inclusiveness | COST](#)
- The start and end-date of the Conference needs to be within the grant period, i.e. Nov 1 2024 - Oct 31 2025
- The applicant is traveling to present work on behalf of the EURO-VALDI-NET COST Action in the form of an oral presentation at one of the international high impact conferences, related to vascular liver disorders, such as EASL, AASLD, ISTH, ISEV, EMBO, etc.
- The applicant will promote the EURO-VALDI-NET Cost Action by acknowledgement of this grant in the presentation, and invite others to join this Action.

Required Application documents

- Online Application form https://www.cost.eu/DisseminationConference_GrantApplication
- Curriculum Vitae, max of 2 pages (to be uploaded as Supporting document) including birth year and current affiliation
- Acceptance letter of the oral presentation by the third party Conference organizers
- Budget plan (to be uploaded as Supporting document)
- Please send all documents by email to vanessa.justine@aphp.fr (all files should be named as follows: Dissemination_NAME OF APPLICANT_TYPE OF DOCUMENT)

Grant time line

Grant deadline application: **March 14, 2025, 23:59hr CET**

Grant awarding decision: March 31-April 4, 2025

Report of Dissemination Conference grant after grant awarding

After grant awarding, the applicant shall send an online grant report within 6 weeks after the end of the Conference, describing how the grant has benefited the COST Action. This report can be found here:

https://www.cost.eu/DisseminationConference_Report