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To the chairmans at the Faculty of Medicine, Umeå University

#### Knut and Alice Wallenberg foundation announces KAW Projects 2020 and you as chairman can now nominate projects. Last day for nomination is Sept, 26 2019.

**Knut and Alice Wallenberg foundation** support projects with high scientific potential. KAW Projects should be focused on a coherent research question where the complementary competencies of the participating scientists give new possibilities to attack the chosen research question. A project must have a freestanding purpose and not merely constitute auxiliary funding for current operations or other projects in progress.

# Handling directions at the Faculty of Medicine for nomination of KAW Projects 2020

**Step 1.** You as chairman are welcome to nominate KAW projects until **Sept, 26 2019**. Nominations are written in English and are sent to research coordinator Anna Lundberg, <u>anna.lundberg@umu.se</u>. **Mark files KAWPRJ2020\_lastname**.

**Step 2.** A review panel evaluates all nominated projects and based on the scores and ranking, up to five of the projects are nominated to Umeå University by **Oct**, **26 2019**.

**Step 3**. After discussion with the Pro Vice Chancellor and the Faculty's, the Vice Chancellor decides which projects that can file a full application to KAW.

**Step 4.** Grants Office invites the nominated researchers to a meeting where the entire process is described and also describes the support that Grants Office can offer. In addition, the Medical Faculty review panel will also give feed-back and support on the applications.

**Step 5.** An updated version of the application, written according to the KAW instructions should be sent to Grants Office, <u>grants.office@umu.se</u>, no later than **Jan 8**, **2020**. If this deadline is passed, the application may be removed

**Step 6.** Grants Office offers feed-back on the application and coordinates the support letter together with the University management, the Faculty and the researchers. Please note, before the support letter are written, the

- the budget is approved by Grants Office
- the University management has approved the application

*Importantly*, the application cannot be submitted to KAW without the support letter.

**Step 7.** The full application is filed to KAW by the main applicant no later than **Feb**, **12020**.

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#### For each nominated project, include the following attachments:

**1. Project plan (max 10 pages, but preferably fewer pages and 4 pages at the minimum.** Projects that are selected to file a full application to KAW will submit a Project plan of 10 pages written according to the KAW instructions.

*Importantly:* The KAW foundation supports projects with high scientific potential. High-priority projects include new research areas and research that is interdisciplinary in nature. A project must have a freestanding purpose and not merely constitute auxiliary funding for current operations or other projects in progress. The project group consists of two to five researchers that focuses on a coherent research question where the complementary competencies of the participating scientists give new possibilities to attack the chosen research question. The budget is normally between 15-50 mnkr.

**New!** Starting in 2020, a new criterion is introduced to ensure that women lead at least 30% of the KAW projects! Note that women will not be given priority in the international evaluation, but KAW relies on the universities to nominate more strong research groups where the main applicant is a woman. KAW expects to fund 20 projects, of which the ambition is that at least 6 projects are led by women. If the international evaluation produces fewer than 6 projects led by women, the total number of projects granted is corrected so that the proportion of women always amounts to at least 30%. In 2021, the goal increases to 35% and in 2023 Wallenberg's goal is that at least 40% of the applications that are awarded project grants will have female PI.

Due to Wallenberg's new rule, 30 % of the projects nominated by Umeå University, are projects led by women. Note that Wallenberg assesses the project group's overall competence, therefore each project should consider whether there is a woman to highlight as PI.

- **2.** Merits of the main applicant, a CV including positions, award, doctorates as main supervisor (including year), supervision of postdocs as main supervisor (max 3 pages). Also add short CV for co-applicants (max 1 page/co-applicant).
- **3.** Short biography (max 1 A4) focusing on main scientific merits. 1 page for the main-applicant but also 1 page per co-applicant.
- **4.** Publication list. Start with a list that includes 10 the paper that are most important for the suggested project. Please write the Publication list using font Times New Roman, font size 12. All co-authors should be included for each paper and mark your name in bold. Add h-index and Impact Factor for each publication the year that the paper was published. Example: Andersson A, Bertilsson B, Carlsson C, and Davidsson D (2017) *Insights into medical research (title)*. J Med Res (journal), 100 (volym), 1001-1009 (sidor) (alt *e20171005*) IF= 6.8

For each co-applicant, also include, lists of the 10 most relevant papers/co-applicant.

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- **5. Motivation why your project is important for Umeå University** (max 1 page).
- **6.** A **preliminary budget** (rough estimation of the budget including localities and overhead costs, and try to specify how the cost is distributed between you and the co-applicants).
- 7. Current grants 2018 and 2019, mark as main-applicant and as co-applicant
- 8. Summary for laymen, written in Swedish (max 1 page).
- 9. Letter of intent where the chairman confirm that the application is supported and guarantee co-financing

The nomination is sent electronically as one single PDF file to Anna Lundberg senast **2019-09-26**, <u>anna.lundberg@umu.se.</u>

Questions concerning the call, please contact: <u>grants.office@umu.se</u> or anna.arnqvist@umu.se

#### About the call KAW projects

https://kaw.wallenberg.org/en

#### **Guidelines for KAW projects**

https://kaw.wallenberg.org/en/calls/research-projects-high-scientific-potential

#### Assessment criteria

The Faculty of Medicine will review the nominations based on the assessment criteria used by KAW porjects.

https://kaw.wallenberg.org/en/assessment-criteria-evaluation-project-grants.