**VALIDATE Travel Grants for Attendance at Annual Meeting - Application Form**

VALIDATE awards a number of travel grants to low/middle income country (LMIC) members each year, to enable them to attend the VALIDATE Annual Meeting (and the related Early Career Researcher (ECR) Workshop, if relevant). The grant covers travel, accommodation and subsistence costs, up to a maximum of £3000. Please ensure you refer to the Annual Meeting Travel Grants guidance document for details of eligibility, funding requirements and what costs are eligible.

Travel Grants are awarded via competitive application to the [VALIDATE Network Management Board](https://www.validate-network.org/network-management-board). To apply, complete each section of this form (where stated, word limits must be adhered to), and submit your application form and associated documents to our VALIDATE Executive Manager, Sam Vermaak, at [VALIDATE@ndm.ox.ac.uk](mailto:VALIDATE@ndm.ox.ac.uk) before the call deadline. Please do send any queries about the grant call to Sam at this address as well.

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| **1. Applicant Details** | |
| Name |  |
| Current Post Held |  |
| Institute Name and Country |  |
| Nationality |  |
| Email |  |
| VALIDATE network membership level | Investigator / Associate / Affiliate |

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| **2. Research Area Focus** - please tick the pathogen(s) your research is focussed on |
| M. tuberculosis / TB  B. pseudomallei / melioidosis  M. leprae / leprosy  Leishmaniasis  Mycobacterium – other  None of the above |

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| **3. Research Area and Career** - please describe your research area of focus, and your career to date (500 words) |
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| **4. Continuing Professional Development** – please detail how the opportunity to attend the VALIDATE Annual Meeting (and ECR Workshop, if relevant) will contribute to your professional development in the VALIDATE research field (500 words) |
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| **5. VALIDATE Funding** – please detail any funding you have received to date from the VALIDATE Network (250 words) |
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| **6. GCRF Vaccine Network Funding** – VALIDATE is one of five MRC-funded GCRF Vaccine Networks. Please list any previous BactiVac, HIC-VAC, IVVN or IMPRINT Network funding you have been awarded, or applications you have pending |
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| **7.1 Travel Budget**  Please specify your travel costs to attend the VALIDATE Annual Meeting, as an item-by-item list below. The VALIDATE Network will reimburse up to £3000. Please read the guidance for what costs are eligible. | |
| Item | Cost (£) |
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| Total amount requested | £ |
| **7.2 Resource Justification** - please provide a detailed justification of the costs you are requesting and why these cannot be covered by other funds (500 words) | |
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| **8. Required additional documents – please include the following with your application:** |
| CV (2 page) and publications list (1 page)  Letter of Support from Research Group Leader (ECR members only) |

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| **9. Signature** – please sign and date this form before submission |
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**Useful Resources**

[VALIDATE Annual Meeting Travel Funding guidance document](https://www.validate-network.org/annual-meeting)

[List of eligible LMIC countries](https://www.oecd.org/dac/financing-sustainable-development/development-finance-standards/DAC-List-of-ODA-Recipients-for-reporting-2024-25-flows.pdf) (all countries listed on this document are eligible, excluding China and India, no matter which column they’re in)