

The FIP Foundation for Education and Research and the Board of Pharmacy Specialties announce open applications for collaborative research grant

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The Hague and Washington, D.C., 5 March 2024 — The [FIP Foundation for Education and Research](#) (FIP Foundation) and the [Board of Pharmacy Specialties](#) (BPS) announce that applications for their collaborative research grant opportunity for non-USA-based investigators researching the impact of pharmacist board certification are now open. Visit the [FIP Foundation webpage](#) for the electronic application link.

Applications are due 1 May 2024.

BPS, in collaboration with the FIP Foundation, is sponsoring one research grant of up to EUR 5,000 to support researchers outside of the USA who are interested in conducting research related to the impact of pharmacist board certification. To be eligible, research projects must be focused on the impact of pharmacist board certification on specialisation and advanced practice through the following research aims:

- Patients and/or outcomes (e.g., adherence, quality of life, patient satisfaction, health literacy);
- Healthcare systems (e.g., medication safety, cost avoidance, drug-related problems, admissions/readmissions, emergency department visits, institutional credentialing and privileging);
- Interprofessional collaboration (e.g., recognition, perception, increased efficiency in providing care); and/or,
- Pharmacist employment, professional development, and/or wellbeing (e.g., job satisfaction, retention, career advancement).

The grant awardee will be recognised during the 82nd FIP World Congress of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences in September 2024 and through FIP Foundation and BPS online publications. The final research report will be suitable for publication in the [International Pharmacy Journal](#).

Questions about the research grant can be directed to the FIP Foundation at foundation@fip.org.

Notes for editors

About the FIP Foundation for Education and Research

The International Pharmaceutical Federation (FIP) Foundation was established in 1976. Its objectives are to support the education of and research by pharmacists and pharmaceutical scientists within the general fields of design, development, manufacture, distribution and responsible use of medicines.

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About the Board of Pharmacy Specialties of the American Pharmacists Association (APhA). The mission

of BPS is to improve patient care by positioning BPS Board-Certified Pharmacist Specialists as integral members of interprofessional healthcare teams, through recognition and promotion of specialised training, knowledge and skills for pharmacists in the USA and internationally. Board certification is a recognised credential for determining which pharmacists are qualified to contribute at advanced practice levels given the rigorous standards mandated by BPS board certification and recertification. BPS currently recognises more than 60,800 active pharmacist certifications across 15 specialties, including over 7,500 certifications held by pharmacists outside of the USA.

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