

APPLICATION TERMS & CONDITIONS

1. General

- 1.1 These Application Terms & Conditions apply to the application phase for potential financial support (“**Application**”) to applicant (“**Applicant**”), which may result in Metakids awarding to Applicant a Grant (as defined in the Metakids Grant Terms & Conditions);
- 1.2 Any Application is fully governed and subject to the Metakids Call Topic Description, these Metakids Application Terms & Conditions and the Metakids Grant Terms & Conditions, which can all be found on www.metakids.nl/onderzoek/voor_onderzoekers.
- 1.3 Applicants must indicate the legal entity on which behalf the application is made and indicate that the required internal approvals have been obtained for the project.
- 1.4 Any application for a Grant must be done via duly filling out and submitting in English with Metakids (a) complete Full Proposal Form; and (b) a complete Financial Application Form. Both the Full Proposal Form and the Financial Application Form must be signed by (i) a duly authorized representative of Applicant; and (ii) the project leader and/or principal researcher.
- 1.5 Applicants and the Applications should observe and should be done respecting the goals as set forth in Clause 2 of these Metakids Application Terms & Conditions.
- 1.6 All Applications are reviewed and assessed by the independent scientific advisory board of Metakids, the ‘Wetenschappelijke Adviesraad (“**WAR**”).
- 1.7 Metakids is not legally obliged to honor any Application and/or award a Grant to Applicant. Metakids therefore reserves the right to reject, at its sole discretion, any Application. Notwithstanding the afore-mentioned, Metakids assesses the Applications on basis of the quality of the proposed research project, the availability of Metakids financial (long-term) resources and the advice of the
- 1.8 Applicant is required to inform Metakids forthwith in writing of any changes in the circumstances and changes in the project that may be relevant for the decision whether or not to award the Application.
- 1.9 Metakids may at any time request Applicant to provide (additional) information and/or specification regarding the Application.
- 1.10 Applications are considered confidential information by Metakids and will only be distributed to members of the WAR plus any external reviewers under conditions of strict confidentiality.

2. Goals

- 2.1 Applications should be done in view of the following goals:
 - Applications should reveal more insight about the biochemistry of (inherited) metabolic diseases, about improving and accelerating the diagnosis of metabolic diseases, about the development and improvement of treatment methods and care projects.
 - If indicated in the Metakids Call Topic Description applications should be relevant for the United for Metabolic Diseases (UMD) partnership. That the project meets the following UMD preconditions is a plus:
 - the project is a joint project in which two or more academic centers participate,
 - the project fits within one of more of the UMD objectives, see: <https://www.unitedformetabolicdiseases.nl/objectives.html>



- The project subject to the Application should meet the 10 prioritized research questions from the ‘Nederlandse Translationele Kennisagenda Erfelijke Metabole Ziekten’. ([Kennisagenda](#))
- Applicants may submit an Application for both short-term pilots (max 1 year) and longer-term research projects. Metakids namely provides both ‘seed grant funding’ as well as funding of regular research projects in the field of basic science or clinical research.

3. Financials

- 3.1. Metakids will not pay any VAT (or any other (similar) taxes) over any of its Grants and/or (non)financial contributions.
- 3.2. Grants will not be indexed and are fixed for the duration of the project as set forth in the Application. Metakids will not pay, compensate, reimburse and/or contribute to Applicant, other than the Grant, any (additional) amounts and/or (increases of) costs, irrespective the cause thereof (such as changes to collective labor agreements) and/or other operational expenditures.

4. Regulatory aspects

- 4.1. In addition to the Full Proposal Form several specific documents (such as letters of support, references to be checked etc.) may be required if applicable. These documents are not counted as part of the page limitation.
- 4.2. Regulations require that all institutions maintain appropriate policies and procedures for the protection of human subjects. If applicable, please provide a copy of the informed consent form for any human subjects for the proposed project as well as proof of current or pending approval by an ‘Medisch Ethische Toetsings Commissie’ (METC), or a similar oversight group.
- 4.3. In keeping with Metakids policy, all proposals must conform to regulations for the safe and humane treatment of animals. If applicable, provide proof of current or pending project approval by the ‘Centrale Commissie Dierproeven’ (CCD) or a similar oversight group.