

## Proposal Cover Sheet

**Title of project proposal:**

**Project Team Leader:** [Title, Name, Date of birth, place of birth, professional address, Email, phone]

**Additional Team Members:**

Has this invention been disclosed to your Technology Transfer Office (TTO):

No \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ Contact person at TTO: \_\_\_\_\_

**SPARK Finland** supports development of **novel therapeutics, diagnostics, health technologies and health IT solutions** for unmet medical needs. Any clinical indication will be considered. SPARK projects receive mentorship from experts, education in workshops how to develop a solution and what you need to understand about business and finance. Program is able to provide also small financial support during two-year process (based on the accomplishment of milestones). We accept also applicants that fit to our scope and have own financial resources (TUTLI or local innovation grants) that cover the costs of development work.

Proposals will be evaluated on the basis of:

- Scope of unmet need in area of life science, medicine or health
- Novelty of approach
- Feasibility (point of maturity to be achieved within the time frame)

Some examples of past projects in global SPARK programs include unmet needs in pediatric, neglected or orphan diseases, cardiovascular, oncology, inflammatory, respiratory, neurological, autoimmune indications and infectious disease.

**Eligibility:**

Any Helsinki metropolitan area, Turku or Tampere region team (faculty, clinician, postdoctoral fellow, or graduate student team) from our affiliated institutions\* is welcome to apply. The application must be co-signed by the project team or research group leader.

\* Institutions that are members and/or associated to SPARK Finland are University of Helsinki, Aalto University, Helsinki University Hospital & The Hospital District of Helsinki and Uusimaa – HUS, City of Helsinki, University of Tampere, Tampere University of Technology, Tampere University Hospital – TaYS, The Pirkanmaa Hospital District, City of Tampere, Tampere University of Applied sciences, University of Turku, Åbo Akademi, Turku University Hospital, Turku University of Applied Sciences

**Proposal components:**

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1. Description of the 'problem' / medical need
2. Description of your new solution / answer
3. Difference to the current 'Gold Standard' / uniqueness of new solution
4. Market niche and size (Europe and possibly other regions)
5. Current development stage and future development plan
6. Which part of your technology shall be patented?
7. Applicant credentials (brief description of why the team is suitable to pursue this project)
8. CV (not part of page limit)

**Deadline: January 14<sup>th</sup> 2019 at 16:00**

Apply by sending an application in pdf format to [apply@sparkfinland.fi](mailto:apply@sparkfinland.fi) .