

How we support research grant applications

In order to advance our mission of developing the roadmap for a sustainable, secure, and just protein supply, the Good Food Institute (GFI) Europe offers assistance to researchers and companies applying for alternative protein research grants. We offer this assistance free of charge, though we reserve the right to refuse help depending on our existing workload and grant deadlines. Please see our offered services below.

1. Defining research questions and identifying collaborators

Given that you have the deepest understanding of your own interests, skills, and resources, the expectation is that you will have already defined your primary research question on your own. However, our SciTech Team has in-depth understanding of plant-based, fermentation and cultivated meat science, as well as strong relationships with public and private stakeholders in these fields. As such, we may be able to offer insight to help ensure your research question is novel and impactful and identify potential collaborators if needed. Our <u>Advancing Solutions in Alternative Proteins database</u> provides an overview of which research priorities we believe to be most pressing for the sector, and our <u>researcher</u> and <u>company database</u> may be helpful tools as you start to identify possible collaborators.

2. Identifying grant funding opportunities

We are continually monitoring funding announcements and websites and looking for new funding mechanisms. We suggest you begin by searching our <u>research funding database</u>, but we can help you identify Requests for Proposals (RFPs) that are a good fit for your particular research question.

3. Reviewing grant proposal drafts and providing letters of support

We can review the first draft of your proposal and provide comments on content, clarity, organization, etc. Assuming the research proposal focus aligns with GFI's research priorities, we can also often provide a letter of support.

4. Advisory membership, partnership and participation

GFI Europe is a registered entity in Belgium and the UK. We are able to serve in an advisory capacity on the steering committee of larger research projects and consortia, such as those submitted to Horizon Europe. As part of this, we are happy to provide strategic input on the research focus as well as supporting with communication and dissemination of major project outputs to relevant stakeholders in our network. If the research proposal is highly relevant to our work, we occasionally participate as a project partner. Some instances of our work to support European research projects are highlighted on our website.

We look forward to working with you! Please feel free to email <u>europe-scitech@gfi.org</u> with any questions or requests for assistance.