15 October 2020 – 11 research projects have been awarded grants following a call for applications that aims to support the generation of evidence from local research for the prevention and control of tropical diseases in the countries of the Eastern Mediterranean Region.

The Small Grants Scheme is a joint initiative of TDR and WHO regional offices, which aims to strengthen the research capacity of individuals and institutions in countries. These grants will support implementation/operational research on neglected tropical diseases (NTDs), malaria and tuberculosis.

The selected proposals are:

Neglected tropical diseases

Project title	Institution	Country
Regional Directorate of Ministry of Health – El Ghassani Regional Hospital – Dhar Al Mehraz, Fez		Morocco
National University of Medical Sciences, Rawalpindi		Pakistan
Active search of visceral leishmaniasis (VL) endemic focuses	East Africa University	Somalia
Institute of Endemic Diseases, University of Khartoum, Khartoum		Sudan

Malaria

Project title	Institution	Country
Investigating the role of the newly introduced invasive Anopheles stephensi	Institute of Endemic Diseases, University of Khartoum, Khartoum	Sudan
Faculty of Medicine, University of Kordofan, El-Obeid, North Kordofan State		Sudan
Community Medicine and Public Health Department, Hospital of Medicine and Health Sciences, Aden University, Aden		Yemen

Tuberculosis

Project title	Institution	Country
High Institute of Public Health, University of Alexandria, Alexandria		Egypt
Guilan University of Medical Sciences, Rasht		Islamic Republic of Iran
The Solution Pakistan (Pvt)		Pakistan
University of Science and Technology		Yemen

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