The WHO Regional Office for the Eastern Mediterranean (Research Promotion and Development; Health Systems in Emergencies Lab), the Special Programme for Research and Training in Tropical Diseases (TDR), in collaboration with the WHO Global Programme on Health and Migration, announced <u>a call for applications for migration health research</u> in February 2020. This call supported generation of related evidence on migrant health needs, concerns and situations, especially implementation research of current programmes or activities focused on the needs of migrant populations or other approaches.

After a competitive review process based on scientific merit and the public health impact of the project proposals, the following proposals from Egypt, Islamic Republic of Iran, Jordan, Lebanon, Morocco, Oman, Pakistan, Palestine, Sudan and Syria were selected for funding.

Table 1. Details of funded projects by country, title of project, and principal investigator

Country
Institution
Title of the project
PI
Egypt
High Institute of Public Health
A primary survey of some communicable and non-communicable infections of public health importance

Engy El-Ghitany
Sudan
Institute of Endemic Disease- University of Khartoum
Current influx of Ethiopian migrants and refugees in eastern Sudan: rapid health assessment and challe
Abdalla Hassan Sharief
Palestine
National Institute for Environment and Development
Crisis and its impact on delivery of essential health services in the southern Governorates
Khaled Abu Ali
Syria
United Nations Relief & Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East

COVID-19 vaccine attitudes among Palestine refugees in Syria
Neil Saad
Islamic Republic of Iran
Teheran University of Medical Sciences
The situation analysis of migrants and refugees who live in Tehran and providing an evidence-based so
Abbas Ostad Taghi Zadeh
Lebanon
AUB/Observatory of Public Policies & Health
Access of Syrian refugees to COVID-19 testing in Lebanon
Sanaa Khardaqii
Islamic Republic of Iran

Kurdistan University of Medical Sciences
Exploring the challenges of Kurdish migrant workers during the covid-19 pandemic
Tahereh Pashaei
Pakistan
Shalamar Medical & Dental College, Lahore
Knowledge, attitude, practice towards COVID-19 infection of Afghan refugees living in city of Lahore
Farkhanda Ghafoor
Morocco
Hassan First University of Settat
Diseases burden among immigrants in Morocco: a cross sectional study
Touria Essayagh

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Lebanon
St Joseph Univeristy
COVID-19 vaccination preparedness to outreach both local and migrant elderly subjects: the one-thous
Rafic Baddoura
Morocco
UNFPA: United Nations Population Fund
Evaluating the impact of violence against women and girl migrants on the sexual and reproductive heal
Luis Mora
Jordan
Jordanian Anti-Tuberculosis Association
Extent of under-notification of tuberculosis cases among migrants in the health system in Jordan during

Nadia Abu Sabrah
Oman
Khoula Hospital, Ministry of Health
Vaccine hesitancy in COVID-19 pandemic among migrants: a nationwide web-based survey in Oman
Ammar Al-Kashmiri
Islamic Republic of Iran
Teheran University of Medical Sciences
Developing a model for sustainable healthcare financing for documented Afghan refugees along the pat
Amirhossein Takian
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