

Zimin Institute Fourth Call for Proposals - January 2026

About

The Zimin Institute for AI Solutions in Healthcare supports groundbreaking research by Technion researchers and clinicians, addressing critical healthcare challenges.

For the third consecutive year, the institute will award grants of up to **\$100,000** to projects advancing computational and AI-driven healthcare solutions with clear potential for commercialization.

Rational for proposals:

The program focuses on accelerating early-stage, innovative technologies by increasing their readiness level and providing the necessary support for their translation into practical applications.

Eligibility for Submission

- Projects that integrate AI and Machine Learning technologies, with the potential to significantly improve global healthcare outcomes and benefit humanity.
- Principal Investigators (PIs) demonstrating academic excellence.
- Full-time Technion faculty members (50% and above) from the rank of senior lecturer to professor are eligible to submit.
- Faculty members who retired at the rank of Professor Emeritus are eligible to apply, provided that an 'Active Emeritus' form has been submitted and approved, with the section regarding the continuation of research activity marked.
- A faculty member who is on sabbatical or on unpaid vacation (חל"ת) is not eligible to receive a grant at this time.

Application Process

- **Intent to submit:** Interested applicants must fill in a form approving their intent to submit a proposal no later than **Thursday, February 12th, 2026** in the following link [Intent to Submit Zimin Institute Proposal 2026](#). (Estimated 2 min)
- **Full Proposal Submission:** Complete proposals, following the provided template, must be sent electronically as one PDF or Word document to zimin-biomed@tech-ai.technion.ac.il no later than **Sunday March 1st, 2026**. (Up to 5 pages)
- Proposals must include:
 - Project impact
 - Research proposal
 - Potential for commercialization
 - Budget and budget justification
 - CV (up to 2 pages)
- In parallel, researchers must register the proposal via the Technion portal: <https://portal.technion.ac.il>.
- Applicants must adhere to Technion regulations for proposal submission. The Technion Grant Procedural Manual can be found [\[here\]](#).

Selection process

Projects will be selected by the Zimin Institute Scientific Advisory Board. Applicants may be invited to deliver a 10-minute presentation to the grant committee. Ultimately, up to five proposals will be chosen on a competitive basis.

- Awardees will be notified by the end of **April 2026**.
- There is an option to apply for a second-year expansion, for additional \$100,000 grant. This requires submission of a new application, considering the scientific achievements of the first year.

Selection criteria

- Potential for commercialization (e.g. intellectual property, industry partnerships, licensing/start-up) within up to 3 years.
- Technological maturity
- Scientific innovation and novelty
- Feasible development plan and budget

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