

COUNTRY **Moldova**
PROFILE

In Moldova, with the help of WHO and the World Bank, the Pandemic Preparedness Project (Improving Pandemic Preparedness and Response by Strengthening Human Resources, Enhancing Surveillance, and Advancing Lab Systems) was launched in 2024 to strengthen the ability of Moldova to be better prepared and respond in case of future pandemics. The project will be coordinated by a Steering Committee under Ministry of Health to result in a functioning early warning system with surveillance systems effective at monitoring diseases with epidemic potential, the ability to rapidly characterize and confirm these diseases, and preparedness to respond to health emergencies.

Strengthening national surveillance and early warning systems.
Ensuring readiness of laboratory systems to test, identify, and report results in a safe, timely, and reliable manner.
Developing and maintaining a highly qualified workforce.

From <https://www.thepandemicfund.org/projects/MOLDOVA-improving-pandemic-preparedness-and-response-strengthening-human-resources-enhancing>

R&I Policies and Strategies

The information is not exhaustive and should be updated regularly.

Country has a dedicated strategy for research and innovation related to pandemic threat? No
R&I strategy URL

Country has an open science portal with information on publicly financed scientific research? yes, it is the website of the funding agency, unfortunately the information is only available in Romanian

R&I portal <https://ancd.gov.md/>

Country has R&I webpage on

Website open science/ open data initiative with respect to pandemic threats, such as COVID-19 open

Name	URL	Short Description
Scientific communication platform "Novel type coronavirus SARS-CoV-2 and interference with other diseases"	https://asm.md/platforma-de-comunicare-stiintifica-coronavirusul-de-tip-nou-sars-cov-2-si-interferenta-cu-alte	

Country has coordinating structures to link public health needs and research needs? Yes (website in Romanian)
Coordinating structures URL https://www.legis.md/cautare/getResults?doc_id=141296&lang=ro

R&I Infrastructures

The initiatives are listed in alphabetical order, the list is not exhaustive and should be updated regularly.

Country has the following research infrastructure for infectious diseases and outbreaks available, or under construction

Name Infrastructure	Type Infrastructure	URL	Max Capacity	Available for	Open to
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Country supporting the participation to the following ESFRI initiatives relevant for infectious diseases

Website network of clinical trials (e.g. to facilitate the access to clinical trials) the country is involved in

Budget mobilisation mechanisms and funding sources *The information is not exhaustive and should be updated regularly.*

Basic Research

url ancd.gov.md

funding for basic research accessible for industry? Yes

source of funding Public (research) agencies

Applied Research

url https://www.legis.md/cautare/getResults?doc_id=146614&lang=ro

funding for applied research accessible for industry? Yes

source of funding Public (research) agencies

Translational Research

url https://www.legis.md/cautare/getResults?doc_id=146614&lang=ro

funding accessible for industry? Yes

source Public (research) agencies

Clinical Research (in general)

url

funding accessible for industry?

source of funding

phase funded?

Clinical Research (in pandemic phase)

url

accessible for industry?

source of funding

phase funded ?

Innovation Projects

url https://www.legis.md/cautare/getResults?doc_id=146614&lang=ro

funding for innovation projects accessible industry? Yes

source of funding Public (research) agencies

In case of an outbreak, everything gets frozen, in terms of R&I, unfortunately. In general, ANCD, the funding agency funds various areas, and pandemic preparedness is part of the HEALTH priority, ANCD may fund basic and applied research, and the amount of funding is also different for various grants.

R&I actors, authorities and activated processes that are activated in case of a health threat *The actors are listed in alphabetical order, the list is not exhaustive and should be updated regularly.*

Name	Description	url
Academy of Sciences	The Academy of Sciences of Moldova coordinates scientific research across disciplines, including biomedical and public health innovation.	https://asm.md/en
Ministry of Agriculture and Food Industry		https://maia.gov.md/
Ministry of Education, Culture and Research		https://mecc.gov.md/en

Ministry of Health	The Ministry of Health of Moldova leads national health policy and coordinates pandemic preparedness efforts, including surveillance and laboratory systems.	https://ms.gov.md/en/
National Agency for Public Health (ANSP)		https://ansp.md/
National Agency for Research and Development (ANCD)	ANCD funds R&I areas according to the Governmental Decision, types: excellent science, young researchers, bilateral calls, is also part of the OHAMR partnership	ancd.gov.md
State University of Medicine and Pharmacy “Nicolae Testemițanu”	State University of Medicine and Pharmacy “Nicolae Testemițanu” is engaged in medical research, public health education, and capacity building for health professionals.	https://usmf.md/en
Technical University of Moldova (UTM)	UTM leads the innovative project “Modernizing Clinical Education at the Faculty of Veterinary Medicine in Accordance with One-World-One-Health Principles – One Health@Uni”	https://utm.md/en

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