

Application Instructions

MSNZ Joint Projects

This funding line within the MSNZ program supports a defined joint project between (at minimum) a **Medical Scientist (postdocs in Life Sciences)** with a focus on translational cancer research who would like to work **in a team with a Clinician Scientist** and is intended for a team of one CS and one MS. A **Dr. med., PhD, Dr. rer. nat or an equivalent title is mandatory. Tenured professors are not eligible.**

The project description should be understandable without referring to additional literature (references are allowed and helpful; a reference list should be added in the attachments)

This proposal should be prepared jointly by both researchers (Medical Scientist + Clinician Scientist) and must be written in English.

Funding for:

- personnel (PhD student- concept for subsequent funding needed)
Technical Assistant, Student Scientist
- Consumables
- Travel (up to 1.000 €/a)

Total funding sum: up 150.000 € /24 months

It is mandatory to adhere to the following structure/use this structure as a template:

1. Applicant data

1.1. Medical Scientist (Postdoctoral Fellow)

- Name, title
- Address
- Telephone number
- Email address
- Current position + pay scale point (e.g. E13/4, E14/1 etc.)
- Affiliation
- Applicant's career status (e.g. Postdoc, Group Leader,....)

1.2. Clinician Scientist (Physician)

- Name, title
- Address
- Telephone number
- Email address
- Current position+ pay scale point (e.g. Ä1/5 etc.)
- Affiliation
- Applicant's career status (e.g. Resident, Specialist, Group Leader,....)

2. Proposal for Joint Projects

2.1. Project description (max. 3 pages; Arial 11pt, 1.15 line distance)

- a. Project title(s)
- b. Summary (1/2 page)
- c. Current status/background of the topics (1 page)
- d. Preliminary results and contributions to the topic (1/2 page)
- e. Aims and work plans with clearly defined work packages, realistic time frame for each sub-project (1 page)

2.2. Why should the MSNZ support your project? (max 1 page)

a. Project-related questions

What is particularly innovative about your project? Is a novel mechanism, does it open the possibility for new therapies? In which way does it open a new perspective for translational science in Würzburg and beyond?

b. Strategic Questions

What is the long-term aim for the project beyond the two years that can be funded now? What is the strategic funding plan (will it be part of a CRC or something) and what do you need to achieve with the current funding to be successful?

c. MSNZ-related questions

If you are funded, which aspect of additional career support/mentoring would be most important for you and how would (will!) you organize it?

3. Attachments:

3.1. CVs in the current DFG format