

# Life Sciences

## Call 2018

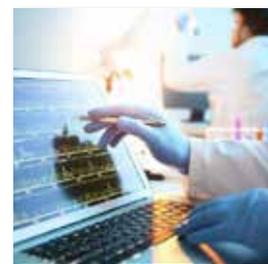
The project call "**Linking Research and Patients' Needs**" within the Vienna Science and Technology Fund (WWTF) Life Sciences Programme invites:

- researchers and clinical scientists at universities and non-university research institutions in Vienna, including those moving to Vienna,
- who want to conduct a cutting-edge research project (2 to 4 years) at the interface between basic and clinical research, building on a clear hypothesis.
- Proposals should bring together researchers from different scientific disciplines such as biology, medicine and related biomedical sciences to foster interactive partnerships across Vienna.
- In total € 6 million are dedicated to this call. The funding range per project is € 200,000 to € 800,000.

**This is a two stage call: Short proposals have to be submitted by January 18, 2018. Full proposals have to be submitted by May 18, 2018.**

All interested parties are cordially invited to an open **Proposers' Day and Networking Event** on **November 22, 2017**, starting at 2 pm, at the Albert Schweitzer Haus, Schwarzspanierstraße 13, 1090 Vienna.

Please visit [www.wwtf.at](http://www.wwtf.at) for further information.



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### “Life Sciences – Linking Research and Patients’ Needs”

#### Focus and Key Facts

With this call we want to encourage scientific projects linking research and patients’ needs. This means that the funding focus of WWTF concentrates on strengthening links between both outstanding basic (e.g. lab) research and medical/clinical research.

**Funding:** The overall budget allocated to the 2018 call is € 6 million, the funding range per project is € 200,000 to € 800,000.

**Schedule:** The call starts on October 27, 2017 and the deadline for short proposals is January 18, 2018 at 2pm. Note, that this is a two-stage selection process; full proposals are only accepted upon invitation. The submission deadline for full proposals is May 18, 2018 at 2pm.

#### WWTF provides funding for scientific projects which should:

- be hypothesis driven with anticipated results leading to better patient treatment and/or diagnosis,
- go beyond basic biomedical research,
- improve the understanding of mechanisms leading to diseases,
- expand the current knowledge of patient targeted therapies, diagnoses and prevention of diseases,
- foster cooperation between basic scientists and clinicians to strengthen Vienna’s life sciences cluster and to open up new avenues to develop novel patient oriented approaches.
- Access to well-characterised patient cohorts is mandatory, including solid sample size calculation and power analysis, as well as ethical approval.
- Projects from fields such as biomedical engineering/ biomechanics are also invited to submit a proposal.

#### Please also consider the following Dos and Don’ts:

- The project team should be headed by experts from the respective areas. A project core team can include up to three researchers, one of which needs to be the designated coordinator and be affiliated to a Viennese university or research institution. If justified, one core team member may come from outside of Vienna.
- A researcher can appear in a key role (i.e. PI, co-PI or core team member) in two proposals at most.
- The main project activities should take place in Vienna. However, team members can be based worldwide. Up to 20% of the funding budget may be allocated outside Vienna.
- Requested funding for non-personnel costs should not exceed 40% of the total budget.
- Prospective clinical investigator initiated drug trials or projects solely developing animal models will not be funded.
- No industry involvement is required. Industry partners are not eligible for funding.

For more details kindly refer to the “WWTF Funding Guidelines” and to the “Guide for Writing a Proposal”, both available online at [www.wwtf.at](http://www.wwtf.at)

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