

„Molecular Mechanisms and Methods“

# Life Sciences Call 2009

Der Life Sciences Call 2009  
des Wiener Wissenschafts-, Forschungs- und  
Technologiefonds (WWTF)  
richtet sich an

- ▶ Wiener universitäre und außeruniversitäre Forschungs-  
einrichtungen sowie Wissenschaftlerinnen und Wissen-  
schafter, die
- ▶ ein mehrjähriges (2-4 Jahre) wissenschaftliches Projekt  
mit Verwertungs- bzw. Nutzenperspektive planen.
- ▶ Adressiert werden die Forschungsbereiche Biologie,  
Biotechnologie, Chemie, Medizin, Veterinärmedizin,  
Pharmazie und Bioverfahrenstechnik sowie verwandte  
Gebiete, die
- ▶ die Aufklärung molekularer Mechanismen und/oder die  
Entwicklung der dazugehörigen Methoden verfolgen.

Die Einreichfrist läuft bis 29. Jänner 2009, genauere  
Informationen finden Sie unter [www.wwtf.at](http://www.wwtf.at)



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# WWTF Life Sciences Call 2009: „Molecular Mechanisms and Methods”

## Focus and key facts

The WWTF's Life Sciences Call 2009 targets universities and research institutions as well as individual scientists from the research fields of biology, chemistry, pharmacology, biotechnology, medicine, veterinary medicine, bioprocess engineering and related areas that strive to understand *molecular mechanisms and/or develop related methods*.

WWTF seeks to fund scientific pioneer projects with no sure short-term payoff, but nevertheless relevant for society or economy. Although WWTF primarily focuses on the quality of the scientific concept, results must exhibit a clearly identifiable perspective for medium term economic and/or social benefits.

Fundamental research projects without a perspective for economic or social relevance, as well as pure applied research including clinical studies, therapy procedures and statistical studies are not subject to WWTF funding in this call.

Companies can participate as a service provider, contractor or manufacturer in proposals led by a scientific contract partner. In exceptional cases, when fundamentally oriented scientific research is carried out by the respective company, funding can be provided to this company.

The key selection criteria for this call are scientific quality and relevance for society or the economy. Above all, both the applicant and the submitted project must be scientifically outstanding or in case of young investigators promise outstanding scientific potential. Further assessment criteria refer to the relevance of the proposed project and the quality of management. Formal criteria for a WWTF application are minimum project size (€ 200.000), duration (2-4 years) and an in-kind contribution of at least 20% from the applying organizations. The assessment of the proposals is carried out by an international jury on the basis of written reviews obtained by international peers.

Three additional factors may be used to distinguish between projects of equal quality. Firstly, WWTF aims to particularly encourage women to act as principal investigators /project leaders. Secondly, we want to motivate those researchers primarily involved in the project, particularly young researchers, to act as principal investigator/ project leader. Finally, we want to motivate researchers to think about interdisciplinary collaborations and collaborations across research locations, although the guiding principle is: "Have as many partners as you need and need as many partners as you have".

The budget of this call is 5,5 Mio €.