

# Funding Opportunities for Postdocs

Programs to Fund your  
Research in Germany  
and Abroad



# Postdoc Funding Programs

At the Technical University of Munich, the TUM Talent Factory supports TUM scientists and international post-doctoral fellows who want to conduct research at TUM. We support young scientists to identify suitable funding programs, organize events and workshops and give feedback for researchers who submit their first proposals.

To give researchers an overview of funding possibilities, we have collected this non-exhaustive list of available funding opportunities for postdoctoral researchers. The name, number, and details of these grants change on a regular basis. For further and up-to-date information, please visit the [Research in Germany website](#), that is sponsored by the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) and the German Federal Ministry of Education and Research – or contact the TUM Talent Factory directly.

To identify further programs, TUM researchers can use [Open4Research](#). The tool allows you to browse through current funding opportunities and to set up newsletter alerts for your field with many filter options so that you will not miss any important calls in the future. You may also visit the [Electronic Research Funding Information System \(ELFI\)](#), an information brokerage system which provides up-to-date information on funding opportunities for scientists at all stages and disciplines. ELFI covers about 11.000 programs of more than 4.000 national and international sponsors.

The DAAD also hosts a [database](#) of its programs as well as funding offered from other selected organizations. The BMWi hosts the database [Förderdatenbank](#) with all programs and calls of the German Federal Government.

## Information & Contact details:

For up-to-date information on new funding programs, opening of calls, as well as events and workshops you can join our Postdoc Newsletters:

If you are already doing research at TUM, you can sign up for our internal [TUM Postdoc Newsletter](#) (please register with your TUM Email address). Via this newsletter, we share information about our programme and relevant calls for proposals at irregular intervals.

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Contact the TUM Talent Factory: Visit our [website](#) or contact us via email: [postdoc-application@tum.de](mailto:postdoc-application@tum.de)

The [general Postdoc website](#) also provides you an idea about our activities such as calls for our Research Opportunities Week and the TUM Global Postdoc Fellowship as well as the list of current job offers at TUM.

Best regards,

TUM Talent Factory

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	Boehringer Ingelheim Fonds: Travel Grant	x		x				x		x	49
	DAAD: International Collaborations	x					x	x		x	50
	DAAD: International Scientific Events		x			x	x	x	x		50
	Fritz Thyssen Foundation: Travel Subsidies	x				x	x			x	50
	Fritz Thyssen Foundation: Conferences	x				x	x	x	x		51
	TUM: Global Incentive Fund	x		x	x		x	x	x		52
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Initiatives for Female Researchers	Daimler and Benz Foundation: Bertha Benz Award for female engineers	x		x			x	x	x	x	54
	L'Oréal-UNESCO: For Women in Science Fellowship		x	x			x	x	x	x	55
	MPG: Lise Meitner Excellence Programme		x		x		x	x	x	x	55
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# All Disciplines

## Alexander von Humboldt Foundation (AvH)

### Incoming | Humboldt Research Fellowship for Postdoctoral Researchers

Target group:	Postdoctoral researchers from abroad or recently moved to Germany (< 6 months at time of application), German researchers if they have already been working abroad for more than 5 years
Objectives:	Undertake a research project of their own choice in cooperation with an academic host of their choice at a German research institution
Funding:	6-24 months; € 2.670 per month + additional benefits; Experienced researchers: 6-18 months; € 3.170 per month + additional benefits
Requirements:	Doctorate obtained less than 4 years ago; academic publications
Deadline:	Any time
Miscellaneous:	Approx. 500 awardees per year, also available for experienced researchers  Applications should be submitted at least 4-7 months ahead of the prospective selection date.

[Link to the website](#)

## Incoming | Georg Forster Research Fellowship

Target group:	Postdoctoral or experienced researchers from a developing or transition country (see list of countries on the website, China and India are not included) whose research has direct relevance for the further development of their region of origin.
Objectives:	Undertake a research project of their own choice, which is relevant for future development of the country of origin in cooperation with an academic host of their choice at a German research institution.
Funding:	Postdoc: 6-24 months; € 2.670 per month + additional benefits (language fellowships, family allowances); Experienced researchers: 6-18 months; € 3.170 per month + additional benefits.
Requirements:	Postdoc: Doctorate obtained less than 4 years ago; above-average qualification; research undertaken in Germany; Experienced researchers: Doctorate obtained less than 12 years ago; above-average qualification; research undertaken in Germany
Deadline:	Any time
Miscellaneous:	<p>Up to 80 fellowships per year, Eligible applicants must have lived outside Germany for a minimum of 12 months in total in the 18-month period prior to submission of the application; candidates who have completed their school education and one university degree or one university degree and their doctorate in Germany are eligible to apply provided that their habitual place of work and residence has been located in a developing country, emerging economy or transition state on the assumption of permanence and at least for the last five years. Visit the FAQs on the website for additional information</p> <p>Experienced researchers can apply for the <a href="#">Georg Forster Research Award</a></p> <p>Applications should be submitted at least 4-7 months ahead of the prospective selection date.</p>

[Link to the website](#)

## Incoming | Capes-Humboldt Research Fellowship for PostDocs from Brazil

Target group:	Postdoctoral researchers from Brazil or recently moved to Germany (< 6 months at time of application)
Objectives:	Undertake a research project of their own choice in cooperation with an academic host of their choice at a German research institution
Funding:	6-24 months; € 2.600 per month + additional benefits
Requirements:	Doctorate obtained less than 4 years ago; academic publications, Brazilian nationality, or permanent residence visa in Brazil
Deadline:	Call 20 closes on 31th May 2023, for upcoming calls visit the website. Usually, two calls per year.

[Link to the website](#)

## Outgoing | Feodor Lynen Research Fellowship

Target group:	Postdoctoral and experienced researchers from Germany
Objectives:	Carry out a research project of their own choice in cooperation with an academic host of their choice at a research institution abroad
Funding:	Postdoc: 6-24 months; Experienced researchers: 6-18 months; The fellowship amount varies by target country and life situation. To calculate an approx.. amount, use the <a href="#">fellowship calculator</a> (German only).
Requirements:	Doctorate obtained less than 4 years ago (for Postdoc) and less than 12 years ago (for Experienced researchers); above-average qualification; host must be a member of the Humboldt network (search potential hosts); stay in host country less than 6 months before application
Deadline:	Any time
Miscellaneous:	Up to 90 fellowships per year

[Link to the website](#)

## Incoming | Sofja Kovalevskaja Award

Target group:	Top-ranked junior researchers from abroad or recently moved to Germany (less than 6 months at time of application), German researchers if they have already been working abroad for more than 5 years
Objectives:	To establish their own research group and carry out research of their own choice at a research institution in Germany
Funding:	5 years; up to € 1.65 million
Requirements:	Doctorate with distinction obtained less than six years ago; cutting-edge academic achievements; academic publications in international and renowned journals; the applicant must not have held or accepted an offer of permanent employment in Germany or a leadership position before (e.g. head of junior research group, tenure track professorship). Note that a tenure track position cannot be financed anymore from the administrative flat-rate after the funding period has come to an end.
Deadline:	(Not accepting application at present)
Miscellaneous:	Approx. 6 awardees per year

[Link to the website](#)

## Daimler and Benz Foundation

### Incoming | Postdoctoral Scholarship Program

Target group:	Postdoctoral Students and Assistant Professors/Group Leaders
Objectives:	Reinforce the autonomy and creativity of the up- and coming generation of scientists of all disciplines
Funding:	2 years; € 40.000 for research trips, scientific assistants, technical equipment, participation in conferences
Requirements:	Completed doctorate, early stages of their postdoctoral career, and certain level of autonomy in their research. Presenting own research project as well as institutional ties to an academic institute within Germany, or to a German academic institute abroad.
Deadline:	Check website (usually October)

[Link to the website](#)

## BayFrance

### Incoming & Outgoing | Bavarian- French Cooperation in Teaching and Research

Target group:	University teachers, Postdocs, PhD students
Objectives:	Support the development of projects in research and teaching and the establishment and expansion of sustainable and lasting research cooperation between Bavarian and French universities and research institutions in all disciplines
Funding:	Up to € 5.000
Requirements:	Realistic and scientific exceptional project with prospects of success for a viable, sustainable cooperation as well as the integration of young scientists
Deadline:	15th April and 15th November

[Link to the website](#)

## Union of Academies

### Incoming | Academies Programme

Target group:	Researchers, Postdocs
Objectives:	Serving long-term fundamental research in the humanities, historical legal sciences, as well as economics and social sciences. Through annual interacademy events intensify the interdisciplinary dialogue between projects in over 190 research units and continually expand the projects' scholarly cooperations with external partners events
Requirements:	Completed doctorate and institutional ties in Germany as individual applicants or with one or more co-applicants. Project has to meet following criteria: transregional, national significance, high level of societal and scholarly relevance, duration 12-25 years, minimum funding of € 120.000 per year, inclusion of young scholars, (re)qualification of research associates, digital working and publication concept
Deadline:	See website

[Link to the website](#)

## Japan Society for the Promotion of Science (JSPS)

### Outgoing | JSPS Postdoctoral Fellowship (short-term)

Target group:	Postdoctoral researchers or doctoral students with graduation within two years after start of grant
Funding:	1-12 months; flight ticket; monthly fellowship amount: Yen 362.000 for postdocs, Yen 200.000 for Ph.D., accident/ health insurance
Requirements:	Doctorate less than 6 years ago; citizenship in USA, Canada, or country within the European Union, as well as Switzerland and Norway
Deadline:	3 selection dates per year, see <a href="#">website</a> ; next call closes on June 2nd, 2023
Miscellaneous:	Application either by the host to JSPS in Tokyo or by the applicant to DAAD (for a stay of up to 6 months) or to AvH (for more than 6 months)

[Link to the website](#)

### Outgoing | Research Fellowship Japan (JSPS) and Taiwan (MOST)

Target group:	Postdoctoral and experienced researchers
Objectives:	Carry out a research project of their own choice in cooperation with an academic host of their choice at a research institution in Japan/Taiwan
Funding:	1-12 (short term) or 12-24 (standard) months (JSPS) and 3-12 month research stay (MOST) Taiwan; for fellowship amount see <a href="#">website</a>
Requirements:	Doctorate obtained less than 6 (Japan) and 12 (Taiwan) years ago; above-average qualification
Deadline:	Any time
Miscellaneous:	Up to 17 (short-term) and 12 (standard) fellowships per year for Japan; fellows must start their fellowship in Japan during the period of April 1st- March 31st of the respective budget year.

[Link to the website \(Japan\)](#)

[Link to the website \(Taiwan\)](#)



## Axa Research Fund

### Incoming & Outgoing | Post-Doctoral Fellowships

Target group:	Postdoctoral researchers
Objectives:	Support outstanding researchers nominated by host institutions, committed to contributing to global societal challenges related to Life & Health, Data & Technology, Climate & Environment and Economics
Funding:	grant for up to €125.000, and a 24 month period
Requirements:	Host institutions: need to register and nominate one fellow they wish to present Candidates: without a permanent academic position, who completed their PhD less than 5 years ago
Deadline:	Check the <a href="#">website</a> and application portal, the 2022 call closed on April 28th

[Link to the website](#)

## Bavarian Academy of Sciences and Humanities

### Incoming | “Junges Kolleg (Young Academy)”

Target group:	Postdoctoral researchers
Objectives:	Create scientific scope outside the universities; scientific forum for interdisciplinary exchange
Funding:	3 years, € 12.000 annually; instalments: € 1.000 per month
Requirements:	Outstanding doctorate; age limit: under 35 years (exception maternity/parental leave); research activity at universities or research institutions in Bavaria
Deadline:	See the <a href="#">website</a> ; currently no open call

[Link to the website](#)

## Bacatec (Bavaria California Technology Center)

### Incoming & Outgoing | Project Funding

Target group:	Collaborative projects by academic and/or commercial Bavarian and Californian institutions
Objectives:	Increase and promote collaborations between researchers, including academic and commercial efforts, located in Bavaria and California
Funding:	The initial funding provided by BaCaTeC will mainly cover travel expenses. Research projects must already have basic funding, limit of financial support € 10.000 per project. Only <a href="#">authorized institutions</a> can apply.
Requirements:	Research proposals for collaborative projects by academic and/or commercial Bavarian and Californian institutions will be considered
Deadline:	See the <a href="#">website</a> (the annual deadlines for applications are usually April 15th and October 15th)

[Link to the website](#)

### Incoming & Outgoing | Subsequent Funding

Target group:	All successfully concluded projects formerly supported by BaCaTeC and in need of temporary financing
Objectives:	Funding toward further project development under the stewardship of more comprehensive, third-party funding
Funding:	Funding proposals should demonstrate concrete plans and may not exceed a maximal sum of € 20.000
Requirements:	The offer applies to all projects to have received funding from BaCaTeC in the five years prior to begin of the subsequent funding from BaCaTeC
Deadline:	See the <a href="#">website</a> (the annual deadlines for applications are usually April 15th and October 15th)

[Link to the website](#)

## Bavarian Research Foundation

### Incoming & Outgoing | Individual Grant

Target group:	Bavarian postdoctoral researchers conducting research at a university abroad; foreign postdoctoral researchers during their stay in Bavaria
Objectives:	Research stay abroad or in Bavaria
Funding:	6-12 months; € 2.500 per month; plus max. € 3.500 travel and equipment allowance per year, family and health insurance allowances
Requirements:	Doctorate; several years of work in research, academic publications, commitment to further academic work subsequent to the funding at a university/research institution in Bavaria, strong thematic relation to projects of the foundation is a prerequisite
Deadline:	Any time
Miscellaneous:	Application should be in German

[Link to the website](#)

## Canon Foundation in Europe

### Incoming & Outgoing | Research Grant

Target group:	European postdoctoral researchers who want to work in Japan and Japanese postdoctoral researchers who want to work in Europe
Funding:	3-12 months, € 22.500-27.500 per year
Requirements:	Doctorate or Masters completed less than 10 years ago (exceptions)
Deadline:	usually annually on February 15th and September 15th, for applications starting between September–December the following year and January–December in the following year
Miscellaneous:	Up to 15 fellowships per year, priority to first-time visitors, information about results in December

[Link to the website](#)

## Daimler and Benz Foundation

### Incoming | Fellowship

Target group:	Postdoctoral researchers, Junior Professors and Heads of Young Research Groups, early career stage researchers
Objectives:	Strengthening of scientific independency
Funding:	2 years, € 40.000
Requirements:	Applicants must be in temporary employment; the scholarship can only be requested to support the applicant's own research project; does not include salary of applicant
Deadline:	usually annually on October 1st for the following year
Miscellaneous:	12 fellowships per year

[Link to the website](#)

## Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF)

### Outgoing | Postdoctoral Fellowship

Target group:	Postdocs
Objectives:	Promote individual research projects of Postdocs at research institutions in Europe (European Fellowships) and abroad (Global Fellowships)
Funding:	European Fellowship: 12-24 months Global Fellowship: 24-36 months Financial support: allowances, covering living, mobility and family costs
Requirements:	Completed doctorate. 8 years full-time equivalent experience in research. Researchers not resided or carried out their main activity in the host organisation's country for more than 12 months in 3 years prior the call  European Fellowship: any nationality whose host organisation is located in a Member State or Associated Country may apply.  Global Fellowship: European nationals or continuously living in Europe for at least 5 consecutive years. Research stay in a third country, followed by an obligatory return period or 12 months at host institution in a Member State or an Associated Country
Deadline:	See website
Miscellaneous:	The BMBF publishes calls for research groups in very specific fields on an irregular basis. Calls are always in German. We suggest to register for the BMBF newsletter to stay informed.

[Link to the website](#)

[Link to the newsletter](#)

## Fraunhofer Society

### Incoming | Fraunhofer Attract

Target group:	Postdoctoral researchers
Objectives:	To provide researchers with the opportunity to develop their ideas at Fraunhofer in an application-oriented way; establishment of their own research group at a Fraunhofer Institute in Germany
Funding:	Max. 5 years, max. € 2.5 million
Requirements:	Excellence; applied research for the Fraunhofer Society; innovative project; application together with a Fraunhofer institute leader
Deadline:	See the <a href="#">website</a> , usually two calls per year (March/September): Next call: March 8th, 2023

[Link to the website](#)

## Fulbright Commission

### Outgoing | Travel Grant

Target group:	Postdoctoral researchers planning a 3-12 month teaching or research visit at an academic institution in the USA
Objectives:	To support the establishment of scientific cooperation between German and American researchers
Funding:	Travel expenses (€ 1.200); incidental expenses allowance (€ 300); monthly maintenance allowance (€ 2.000); health/accident insurance; free application for visa
Requirements:	Doctorate; lecturing position at an American university/ scientific institute; German citizenship
Deadline:	At any time, but at least 9 months before the planned visit
Miscellaneous:	Max. 20 grants per year

[Link to the website](#)

## German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD)

### Incoming | Research Grant

Target group:	Foreign doctoral candidates and postdocs (Short-Term)
Objectives:	To enable foreign scientists to undertake a research project/ continuing education project at a German university/non-university research institution
Funding:	1-6 months; € 1.200 per month + allowances for Short-Term Grants 7-12 months; € 1.200 per month + allowances for one year Grants for Doctoral Candidates
Requirements:	Very good qualifications; convincing research project; agreement of the host institute to supervise the project
Deadline:	See website, depends on country of origin

[Link to the website \(Short-Term Grants\)](#)

[Link to the website \(One-Year Grants for Doctoral Candidates\)](#)

### Incoming | Research Stay

Target group:	University teachers and established academics and scientists who have usually completed a doctoral degree and work at a university or research institute in their home country
Objectives:	Support short-term research stays and thus promote the exchange of experience and networking amongst colleagues
Funding:	1-3 months; € 2.000-2.150 (depending on the applicants academic status) + travel allowances
Requirements:	Doctorate; convincing research project; agreement of the host institute
Deadline:	See website, depends on country of origin

[Link to the website](#)

## Incoming | DLR-DAAD Research Fellowship

Target group:	Foreign doctoral candidates, postdoctoral researchers and senior scientists of Space, Aeronautics, Transportation, Energy, Digitalisation and Security research
Objectives:	To enable excellent foreign doctoral candidates, postdoctoral researchers and senior scientists to have a research residency at a DLR Institute in Germany (German Aerospace Center)
Funding:	6-24 months, € 2.400 per month for Postdoctoral Students, 1-3 months, € 2.760 for Senior Scientists
Requirements:	Fellowships are defined and awarded on an individual basis, outstanding achievements, not be of German nationality, doctorate less than 2 years ago for Postdocs, generally hold a doctorate and work in higher education or at a research institute for Senior Scientists
Deadline:	See the website

[Link to the website](#)

## Outgoing | Short term / Year long Grant

Target group:	Doctoral candidates
Objectives:	Gain experience in an international research environment
Funding:	1-12 months (short-term awards up to 6 months); the amount depends on the host country
Requirements:	Formal acceptance from university lecturer to supervise the doctorate; 2nd expert opinion of German university lecturers; detailed project plan
Deadline:	See website (deadlines depend on selected host country)

[Link to the website](#)



## Outgoing & Incoming | Postdoctoral Researchers International Mobility Experience (P.R.I.M.E.)

Target group:	Postdoctoral researchers (all nationalities)
Objectives:	Support for international mobility for postdoctoral researchers who see their long-term career in Germany
Funding:	Salary of a postdoctoral researcher at a German university for a research stay of 12 months abroad and a 6 months reintegration phase in Germany; travel expenses; insurance for research stay abroad
Requirements:	Researchers of all nationalities who have not stayed in the destination country for more than 12 months during the last 3 years; doctorate must be completed before the funding period; mentors at the German and foreign host universities
Deadline:	See website (usually August 31st)

[Link to the website](#)

## Outgoing | PPP Programs for Project-Related Personal Exchange

Target group:	Postdoctoral researchers, experienced researchers
Objectives:	Support of bi-national research projects of a high academic standard in order to strengthen academic relations between a German institution and an institution abroad
Funding:	For the maximum available funds per funding year, see country-specific information; Duration of funding: 2 years
Requirements:	An application must present a specific academic research project of high quality, on which the partners from Germany and the foreign partner country intend to work together in an ideally complementary manner. Proposals involving research into general scientific questions of interest to both research groups are not sufficient. Basic financing of the project (personal and material expenses on both sides) must be ensured
Deadline:	See country-specific information

[Link to the website](#)

## Azrieli Foundation

### Outgoing | International Postdoctoral Fellowship: Research at Israeli universities in STEM, Humanities and Social Sciences

Target group:	Outstanding scientists and scholars in any academic discipline
Objectives:	Funding and support for international postdoc applicants to conduct research in STEM, the humanities and social sciences at eligible Israeli institutions
Funding	2 years; up € 48.000 per year, including travel and research
Requirements:	Candidates have already secured an academic sponsor and will perform their postdoctoral research at a selected Israeli institution
Deadline:	See Website

[Link to the website](#)

## German-Israeli Foundation (GIF)

### Incoming & Outgoing | GIF Nexus, solo track

Target group:	Postdoctoral researchers
Objectives:	Mandatory visit of the PI to the partner country (Israel or Germany) for a minimum of 7 days during the grant period; in order to present their research and establish initial contacts with prospective partners
Funding:	1 year, average budget of € 25.000 per grant.
Requirements:	Doctorate less than 8 years ago; must be employed at a research institution because the applicant's own salary is not included in the grant; research for peaceful purposes only
Deadline:	<a href="#">See website</a> for timetable
Miscellaneous:	Annually changing focus topics

[Link to the website](#)

## Incoming & Outgoing | GIF Nexus, collaborative track

Target group:	Postdoctoral researchers, experienced researchers
Objectives:	To carry out research within the framework of an interdisciplinary German-Israeli cooperation project
Funding:	Max. 4 years, max. budget of € 200.000 per year for all PIs
Requirements:	Cooperation project between at least one team with one PI from each country (Germany, Israel), active collaboration; research for peaceful purposes only; clearly defined roles and tasks of each partner
Deadline:	<a href="#">See website</a>
Miscellaneous:	Annually changing focus topics

[Link to the website](#)

## German Research Foundation (DFG)

### Incoming & Outgoing | Walter Benjamin-Programme

Target group:	Postdoctoral researchers who recently finished their PhD
Objectives:	To carry out an own research project at an institution in Germany or abroad (or both)
Funding:	In general 2 years, in exceptional cases 3 years according to the <a href="#">DFG Award calculator</a> ; funding includes own position as postdoc or clinician scientist (Rotationsstelle) or fellowships for research abroad, workspace and research costs need to be covered by institutions.
Requirements:	<p>The program aims to support mobility of postdocs in Germany and abroad. Researchers can only apply for an institution where they have stayed for less than one year (in Germany or abroad). Researchers can apply once they have submitted in their thesis.</p> <p>To be eligible for research stay abroad, researchers must have conducted at least 3 years of research in Germany beforehand.</p>
Deadline:	Any time

[Link to the website](#)

## Incoming | DFG Individual Research Grants

Target group:	Postdoctoral researchers
Objectives:	Conduct specifically defined research of limited duration at a German research institution, research can apply for project funding as well as their own funding of applicants position using the module "temporary position for principal investigators" within a "Research Grant" proposal
Funding:	3 years, according to <a href="#">DFG Personnel Rates</a> , renewal proposal can be submitted subsequently
Requirements:	Salary of the principal investigator (PI) in the application in accordance with TV-L; doctorate; independent profile
Deadline:	Any time
Miscellaneous:	PI position is bound to the research project

[Link to the website](#)

## Incoming | Emmy Noether Programme

Target group:	Postdoctoral researchers
Objectives:	To provide outstanding young researchers with the opportunity qualify for a leading scientific position, in particular as a university lecturer, by independently leading a junior research group in conjunction with teaching duties commensurate with the qualification. To recruit outstanding young postdoctoral researchers working abroad back to Germany
Funding:	6 years; position <a href="#">DFG Personnel Rates</a> (staff, consumables and travel expenses)
Requirements:	Doctorate less than 4 years ago, family leave will be considered; min. 2 years postdoctoral experience; research experience abroad; documented scientific excellence; prepared to continue scientific career in Germany after the support
Deadline:	Any time

[Link to the website](#)

## Helmholtz Association

### Incoming | Helmholtz Young Investigator Groups Program

Target group:	Postdoctoral researchers
Objectives:	Establish their own research group at a Helmholtz Centre in the fields of Energy, Earth and Environment, Health, Key Technologies and Aeronautics, Space and Transport; pre-selection at the Helmholtz center
Funding:	Depending on project proposal or call for applications; 5 years, per Young Investigators Group minimum € 300.000 per year; it is possible to be taken on permanently after the grant if the evaluation is positive
Requirements:	2-6 years postdoctoral experience
Deadline:	Current Call closes on 28th April, 2023 Candidates should approach the Helmholtz Centers they are interested in directly with a draft of their application and get in touch with the contact persons before applying

[Link to the website](#)

## Horizon Europe (EU) – European Research Council (ERC)

### Incoming & Outgoing | Starting Grant

Target group:	Researchers with a completed doctorate (exceptions for Dr. med./MD) and 2-7 years of experience
Objectives:	Achieve scientific independency by establishing or consolidating their own research group
Funding:	Max. 5 years, up to € 1.5 M (additional € 1M under some circumstances)
Requirements:	Entitled to apply are young researchers regardless of age or origin whose doctorate was 2-7 years ago (with exceptions); promising track record of early-achievements; the project must be undertaken at a host institution in an EU member state or associated country, scientific excellence of researcher and research proposal as sole evaluation criterion
Deadline:	ERC grant applications can only be submitted in response to a Call for Proposals; yearly calls, please refer to the website for

[Link to the website](#)

## Incoming & Outgoing | Consolidator Grant

Target group:	Experienced researchers with a completed doctorate (exceptions for Dr. med./MD) and 7-12 years of experience
Objectives:	Achieve scientific independency by consolidating their own research group
Funding:	Max. 5 years, up to € 2 million (additional € 1M under some circumstances)
Requirements:	Entitled to apply are young researchers regardless of age or origin with 7-12 years of experience since completion of doctorate; promising track record of early-achievements; the project must be undertaken at a host institution in an EU member state or associated country, scientific excellence of researcher and research proposal as sole evaluation criterion
Deadline:	ERC grant applications can only be submitted in response to a Call for Proposals. Upcoming deadline February 2nd, yearly calls

[Link to the website](#)

## Horizon Europe (EU) – Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions

### Incoming & Outgoing | Postdoctoral Fellowship (PF)

Target group:	International researchers
Objectives:	To carry out research activities abroad, acquire new skills and career development
Funding:	Funding for 12-24 or 36 months (European/Global Fellowships); contributions to living and travel expenses, to research and training costs, management and overhead costs of the institution
Requirements:	Doctorate; researchers of any nationality who have stayed in the country of the host institution for less than 12 months during the last three years; host institute must be located in an EU member or Horizon Europe associated country
Deadline:	Next call will open on April 12th 2023

[Link to the website](#)

## Incoming & Outgoing | Staff Exchanges (SE)

Target group:	Consortia of academic and non-academic institutions
Objectives:	Strengthening of knowledge transfer and cooperation between academic and non-academic institutions
Funding:	Funding of employment of researchers of all career stages, project and management expenses for max. 4 years
Requirements:	Inter-sectoral exchange of persons between consortia of min. three institutions from three different countries; at least two should be from EU member or associated state
Deadline:	March 8th 2023, annually calls, see website

[Link to the website](#)

## International Council for Canadian Studies

### Outgoing | Canadian Studies Postdoctoral Fellowship

Target group:	Postdoctoral researchers whose research relates to Canada
Objectives:	To enable academics to visit a Canadian university (or to enable Canadian academics to visit a foreign university) for one two three months
Funding:	Up to 4 months, CDN\$ 2.500 per month plus the cost of a return airline ticket for a maximum of CDN\$ 10.000
Requirements:	Doctorate completed within the past 5 years; research topic relating to Canada; not employed in a full-time, university teaching position
Deadline:	See website— Deadline usually before November 24th

[Link to the website](#)

## Incoming & Outgoing | Postdoctoral Fellowship (standard)

Target group:	Postdoctoral researchers
Funding:	12-24 months; flight ticket; monthly fellowship amount: Yen 362.000, setting-in allowance Yen 20.000, accident/health insurance
Requirements:	Doctorate less than 6 years ago; country of origin must have diplomatic relations with Japan
Deadline:	3 selection dates per year, see <a href="#">website</a> ; next call closes on June 2nd, 2023
Miscellaneous:	Application either by the host to JSPS in Tokyo (Deadline: April and September) or by the applicant to AvH (3 selection dates per year, the documents must have been received by AvH 7 months before the selection date)

[Link to the website](#)

## Sony

### Outgoing | Sony Research Award Program

Target group:	Full professors, associate professors, assistant professors
Objectives:	Foster partnerships between Sony and university faculties and researchers in the U.S., Canada, India, selected European Countries (check website). Funding cutting-edge academic research to engage in pioneering research that could drive new technologies, industries and the future
Funding:	Up to \$ 150.000 per year accepted proposal
Requirements:	Principle Investigator belongs to a university, educational institutions of governmental/non-profit research institution and is eligible to supervise PhD students
Deadline:	Check website

[Link to the website](#)



## Max Planck Society (MPG)

### Incoming | Max Planck Research Group (MPRG)

Target group:	Postdoctoral researchers
Objectives:	Support of particularly talented junior researchers by enabling them to establish their own research group within a Max Planck Institute
Funding:	5 years, depending on project application (extension possible), own personnel and non-personnel funding
Requirements:	Excellence; doctorate
Deadline:	See website (call usually once a year in October/November/December (open) and throughout the year (institute specific))

[Link to the website](#)

### Outgoing | Otto Hahn Medal

Target group:	Postdoctoral researchers
Objectives:	Financial basis for research residency abroad after doctorate
Funding:	€ 7.500 prize
Requirements:	Doctorate completed before turning 30; top-class publications
Deadline:	See website
Miscellaneous:	Nomination by a Max Planck director, 3 people from the group of awardees are selected every year to be given the opportunity to head a research group at an MPI after the research residency abroad (Otto Hahn Award)

[Link to the website](#)

## Aflried Krupp Wissenschaftskolleg

### Incoming | Senior Fellowship

Target group:	Senior scientists and scholar
Objectives:	Opportunity to concentrate on a major piece of research, free from the teaching and administrative obligations of ordinary university life
Funding:	Free apartment and office provided
Requirements:	Outstanding achievements in research and teaching, doctoral degree completed by time of application; project idea already existent
Deadline:	See website, current deadline for 2024/25 August 31st 2023

[Link to the website](#)

### Incoming | Junior Fellowship

Target group:	Young postdoctoral scholars
Objectives:	Opportunity to concentrate on a major piece of research, free from the teaching and administrative obligations of ordinary university life
Funding:	Free apartment and office provided
Requirements:	Outstanding achievements, doctoral degree completed by time of application; project idea already existent
Deadline:	See website, current deadline for 2024/25 August 31st 2023

[Link to the website](#)

## Technical University of Munich

### Incoming | TUM Global Postdoc Fellowship

Target group:	High-potential international postdoctoral researchers
Objectives:	TUM allows their fellows the freedom to sharpen their academic profile while providing the opportunity to initiate new research projects with TUM researchers
Funding:	Up to 2 years; stipend of € 2.670 per month and one additional kick-off flat rate of € 430. There is also the possibility to receive an additional allowance of € 350 per month, if living in the Munich metropolitan area
Requirements:	International researchers who have completed their doctorate in the last PhD no longer than 3 years or are about to do so at any other university than TUM; Mobility rule; excellence in their discipline and support of a TUM Host
Deadline:	See website

[Link to the website](#)

### Incoming | TUM-IAS Albrecht Struppler Clinician Scientist Fellowship

Target group:	Outstanding physicians working at the TUM University Hospital Klinikum rechts der Isar
Objectives:	Medical specialists that want to further develop an independent research profile while at the same time continuing their clinical qualification while carrying out a transdisciplinary research project in collaboration with scientists from a department/school different to the TUM School of Medicine
Funding:	The Fellowship offers a relief of up to 50% for max. 3 years from clinical duties (up to 50% percent of the salary will be paid by TUM-IAS; The Fellowship also comprises 15k € per year for consumables, travel, workshop organization etc., and funding for a doctoral candidate or a postdoctoral researcher for 2-3 years
Requirements:	Early-career scientists who have already or will shortly receive their certification as medical specialist (Facharzt/ärztin) and who have already successfully secured third-party funding
Deadline:	See website; <a href="#">currently open until January 31, 2023</a>

[Link to the website](#)

## Incoming | TUM-IAS Hans Fischer Fellowship

Target group:	Outstanding postdoctoral researchers
Objectives:	Support of particularly talented young researchers who would like to explore innovative, high-risk topics together with a TUM research group for at least 9 months
Funding:	3 years, €60.000 plus €50.000 for travel, housing and research related costs, such as the organization of workshops etc. A further €50.000 can be allocated to the Fellowship if required (e.g. projects with special experimental needs)
Requirements:	International researchers who have stayed in Germany for less than 12 months during the last 3 years; doctorate completed within the last 12 years (exceptions); employment at the home institute during the fellowship; inclusion in a group of researchers at TUM; excellence in their discipline; interdisciplinary orientation; nominations by a TUM professor with voting rights
Deadline:	See website; currently open until January 31st, 2023

[Link to the website](#)

## Incoming | Leonhard Lorenz Foundation at TUM

Target group:	Postdoctoral researchers at TUM, university lecturers
Objectives:	Support of academic research at TUM; funds for specifically defined research projects
Funding:	Allowances such as research-related funds, travel expenses, small equipment, assistants, other expenditure; not for living expenses, application amount up to € 5.000
Deadline:	See website

[Link to the website](#)

## TUM Junior Fellow Program

Since 2007, the Technical University of Munich bestows the title "[TUM Junior Fellow](#)" upon those junior researchers who have started their own independent research group financed through third-party funding as a result of a successful application for a highly competitive program. According to the program, junior researchers are those who have not been holding a tenure track professorship beforehand.

TUM Junior Fellows are entitled to serve as primary reviewer for their own employees in doctoral procedures, as well as to review Bachelor's, Master's, and Diploma theses. Furthermore, they are treated the same as faculty members when it comes to matters of deliberation and opinion-forming measures within the faculty. They are included in the allocation of funds within their faculties, and their projects are regarded as third-party funding for the allocation of funds within their faculties.

The TUM Junior Fellows include fellowship holders from the following programs and awards:

- [Bayklif Junior Research Group](#) - granted by the Bavarian Climate Research Network (bayklif)
- [Bidt Junior Research Group](#) – granted by the Bavarian Research Institute for Digital Transformation (bidt)
- [BMBF Junior Research Group](#) – granted by the Federal Ministry of Education and Research
- [Emmy Noether Junior Research Group](#) – granted by the German Research Foundation (DFG)
- [International Junior Research Group](#) – granted by the Elite Network of Bavaria
- [ERC Starting Grant](#) – granted by the European Research Council (ERC)
- [ERC Consolidator Grant](#) – granted by the European Research Council (ERC)
- [Heisenberg Fellowship/Position](#) – granted by the German Research Foundation (DFG)
- [Helmholtz AI Young Investigator Group](#) – granted by the Helmholtz Association (HHG)
- [Helmholtz Pioneer Campus Principal Investigator](#) – granted by the Helmholtz Association
- [Helmholtz Young Investigator Group](#) – granted by the Helmholtz Association (HHG)
- [Liebig Fellowship](#) – granted by the Chemical Industry Fund (FCI)
- [Max Eder Group](#) – granted by the German Cancer Aid
- [Sofja Kovalevskaja Award](#) – granted by the Alexander von Humboldt Foundation (AvH)
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## Boehringer Ingelheim Fonds

### Incoming | "Plus 3" Perspectives Programme

Target group:	Outstanding heads of junior research groups in medical, biological and chemical research (excl. botany and zoology)
Objectives:	To provide outstanding scientists with the opportunity to continue their research work and thus develop their own research profile
Funding:	Up to 3 years, and up to € 900.000 OR 5 years endowed chair (only medicine), funding includes own position and funds for staff/research-related costs/travel allowances
Requirements:	Doctorate completed with distinction not more than 12 years ago; substantial international experience; scientific independence; leading of a first independent research group (e.g. Emmy Noether) for no longer than 5 years
Deadline:	March 15th and September 15th every year

[Link to the website](#)

### Incoming | Exploration Grant for outstanding research group leaders

Target group:	Support for heads of independent junior research groups in medical, biological and chemical research (excl. botany and zoology)
Objectives:	To provide young scientists with the opportunity to test new ideas and research directions
Funding:	Grant in the amount of up to € 180.000 for personnel and project costs disbursed over a period of 2 years
Requirements:	Doctorate completed with distinction not more than 10 years ago; outstanding publications; substantial international experience; scientific independence; leading of a first independent research group (e.g. Emmy Noether) at a German university for at least 2 years
Deadline:	March 15th and September 15th every year

[Link to the website](#)

## Dr. Werner Jackstädt Foundation

### Incoming & Outgoing | Research Fellowships in Medicine

Target group:	Young researchers in medicine specializing in ophthalmology, nephrology or oncology
Objectives:	Support medical researchers in Germany or abroad who wish to conduct their own medical research project at a new research institute after completing their PhD
Funding:	One year with monthly stipend of €1.750 and material expenses of €250, extension for another year possible
Requirements:	Applicants should have completed a medical degree and PhD. The age limit is 36 years. The research project must be conducted and completed at an institute other than the university where the applicant received his or her education.
Deadline:	See website, currently October 31st 2023

[Link to the website](#)

## CRI Irvington Postdoctoral Fellowship Program

### Incoming & Outgoing | Long-Term Fellowship

Target group:	Postdoctoral researchers specializing in cancer immunology
Objectives:	Support and coordinate laboratory and clinical research designed to address immunological treatment, control, and prevention of cancer
Funding:	3 years with a total stipend of € 174.000
Requirements:	Applicants must be working in areas directly related to cancer immunology, have a doctoral degree by the date of the award activation. Applicants with 5 more years of relevant postdoctoral experience are not eligible (with exception of MD applicants who should not include years of residency in this calculation).
Deadline:	See Website, currently March 1st and September 1st 2023

[Link to the website](#)



## European Crohn's and Colitis Organisation (ECCO)

### Incoming & Outgoing | Long-Term Fellowship

Target group:	Young researchers in the field of inflammatory bowel diseases
Objectives:	Support young researchers who wish to undertake a research project in the field of inflammatory bowel disease at a European laboratory/department outside their own country
Funding:	1 year with a total stipend of € 60.000
Requirements:	Applicants must be ECCO members, under the age of 40 or still in training at the time of application, who are either basic or clinical scientists with an interest in IBD. The supervisor at the proposed host institute must also be an ECCO member.
Deadline:	See website but usually annually on August 1st

[Link to the website](#)

## European Association for the Study of the Liver (EASL)

### Incoming & Outgoing | Sheila Sherlock Post-graduate Fellowship

Target group:	Postdoctoral researchers specializing in hepatology
Objectives:	Support of the most promising newly qualified postgraduate researchers who wish to expand research fields and start developing their independent research careers
Funding:	2 years; base funding of € 60.000 per year directly paid to the Hosting Institution; additional allowances: € 500 per month for mobility and € 500 per month family allowance
Requirements:	Applicants must hold a PhD and/or a MD degree and no more than 2 years of postdoctoral research experience and be active EASL members or have applied for membership at the time of the application. The fellowship should begin at the latest by the end of the year of the awarded grant and must be conducted at a European institution other than the applicant's home institution.
Deadline:	September 30th to December 15th, annually

[Link to the website](#)

## Incoming & Outgoing | Andrew K. Burroughs Short-term Training Fellowship

Target group:	Postgraduate investigators specialized in hepatology (both basic and clinical investigators) who intend to spend a limited amount of time at a foreign institution to accomplish a very focused research project
Objectives:	Encouraging the mobility of investigators within different European institutions by promoting scientific exchanges amongst hepatology research units
Funding:	Usually 3-6 months; a stipend of € 3.000 per month
Requirements:	Applicants must be active EASL members or have applied for membership at the time of the application and must have a MD or PhD degree and be no more than 40 years old. The research/clinical supervisor in the hosting institution must be EASL member.
Deadline:	See website; twice a year, January 15th to March 29 <sup>th</sup> and July 15th to October 1st

[Link to the website](#)

## European Molecular Biology Organisation (EMBO)

### Incoming & Outgoing | Long-Term Fellowship

Target group:	Postdoctoral researchers specializing in molecular biology
Objectives:	Work in international research laboratories, international exchange is a key feature in the application process
Funding:	Up to 2 years, min. 12 months; fellowships depend on host country; travel expenses  Employment contracts to EMBO Fellows in EMBC member states; stipend in non-EMBC member states
Requirements:	Doctorate within last 2 years, at least first author of one scientific publication; Mobility rule. For other criteria, check the website.
Deadline:	Any time; there are 2 evaluation periods every year (second Friday of February/August)

[Link to the website](#)

## Outgoing | Scientific Exchange Grants

Target group:	(Post) doctoral researchers specialized in molecular biology who are planning research exchanges in a laboratory of EMBC Member States, Associated Member States or Cooperation Partners.
Objectives:	Exchange between 2 laboratories in different countries
Funding:	1 week to 3 months; fellowship depends on host country; travel expenses
Requirements:	One year of research experience, applicant needs to return to home laboratory for 6 months after exchange.
Deadline:	Any time, 3 months before the proposed starting date

[Link to the website](#)

## Engelhorn Foundation

### Incoming | Evonik Fellowship

Target group:	Postdoctoral researchers (age limit 34 years); Life Sciences (Molecular-, Biology, Genetics, Proteomics, Biochemistry, Biophysics, Systems Biology, Cellbiology, Microbiology, Bio-Med-Tec, Biotechnology)
Objectives:	Supporting high potential in life sciences
Funding:	2 years, in Germany TVL E13
Requirements:	Embedded within a renowned research organization in Germany, Austria, or Switzerland
Deadline:	See website (usually July 15th, annually)
Miscellaneous:	Approximately 7 grants p.a., Research in Germany, Austria and Switzerland

[Link to the website](#)

## Federation of European Biochemical Societies (FEBS)

### Incoming & Outgoing | FEBS Excellence Award

Target group:	Early-career group leaders in the field of molecular life sciences
Objectives:	The FEBS Excellence Award is a support to be used exclusively to purchase equipment and/or consumables related to the project; salaries, stipendia & overheads are not covered
Funding:	3 years, up to € 100.000
Requirements:	PhD degree within the past 8 years; employed in a salaried capacity as a group leader by the Host Institution (a Host Institution means a university or a research centre), irrespective of the origin of the funding sources, for at least one year prior to the submission of their Project Proposal to FEBS. Candidates must have secured future financial support at the Host Institution for the entire 3-year duration of the Award
Deadline:	FEBS Excellence Awards are awarded once a year. Applications should be submitted before July 1st of the corresponding year

[Link to the website](#)

### Incoming & Outgoing | Short-Term FEBS Fellowship

Target group:	Early career researcher in the field of biochemical research
Objectives:	2 or, in exceptional cases, 3 months scientific collaboration, advanced training or employing techniques not available at the candidates' usual place of work
Funding:	The daily subsistence allowance amounts to € 90 per day. Travel costs will provide for a second-class rail fare or an economy flight between the place of residence and the host laboratory
Requirements:	PhD (obtained in the last 6 years) or at least one published paper as a main author in an international scientific journal
Deadline:	All time, but at least 3 month before the proposed starting date
Miscellaneous:	Short-Term Fellowships are not awarded for attendance at courses, symposia, meetings or congresses

[Link to the website](#)

## Federation of European Microbiological Societies (FEMS)

## Incoming & Outgoing | Jensen Award

Target group:	Early career researchers or students in the final stages of their PhD from the field of microbiology
Objectives:	Support outstanding young microbiologists to conduct research in a European laboratory
Funding:	up to € 10.000 including a monthly allowance and travel expenses
Requirements:	Be living and working in Europe and conducting research in the field of microbiology, have been a member of FEMS for at least one year, be in the final stages of a PhD, or have successfully completed a PhD degree within the last 3 years, hold citizenship in a European country or a FEMS member country
Deadline:	March 1st 2023 (once every 2 years) (extended to March 16th)

[Link to the website](#)

## Fritz Thyssen Foundation

### Incoming | Stipend

Target group:	Postdoctoral researchers in the fields of Medicine, Chemistry, Physics
Objectives:	Support of younger postdoctoral researchers in selected areas of emphasis; check website for funding focus
Funding:	Up to 1 year; € 1.800 per month + allowances
Requirements:	Doctorate less than 2 years ago; belong to a university or research institution
Deadline:	Any time
Miscellaneous:	Time to decision: 8 weeks

[Link to the website](#)

## Incoming | Support of Projects

Target group:	Postdoctoral researchers
Objectives:	Support of projects which can be completed in predictable periods of time, in selected areas of emphasis, check website for funding focus
Funding:	2 years (extension up to 3 years); applicant's position; travel expenses; payment of assistant positions; literature/equipment
Requirements:	Single researchers or groups of researchers; outstanding academic achievements; belong to a university or research institution
Deadline:	See website (usually February 1st and September 1st)

[Link to the website](#)

## Fulbright Commission

### Outgoing | Fulbright American Studies Fellowship

Target group:	Postdoctoral researchers who want to work abroad at an American university or comparable institution in Architecture, Geography, History, Art, Literature, and Political Science can receive a research scholarship while doing their habilitation or authoring a book
Funding:	Up to € 10.000 for a maximum of 9 months and includes travel and health insurance allowance, visa application costs
Requirements:	Applicants must be German citizens, applicants must be working at a German university and will come back to afterwards
Deadline:	March 1st 2023

[Link to the website](#)

## German Cancer Aid

### Incoming | Max-Eder Junior Research Group

Target group:	Highly qualified young oncologists (physicians during or after their specialist clinical training as well as scientists with research activity with an explicit clinical relevance)
Objectives:	Achieve scientific independence by establishing their own group
Funding:	1st funding period (4 years, extension by 3 years possible); up to € 800.000
Requirements:	Completed doctorate and postdoctoral phase; age limit 35 years; own publications; application must be connected with a change of location (i.e. return to Germany after a postdoctoral stay abroad or change of town within Germany after the postdoctoral phase)
Deadline:	See website (Upcoming deadlines February 23rd 2023, 22nd August 2023, 7th November 2023)
Miscellaneous:	4 evaluations per year

[Link to the website](#)

### Outgoing | Mildred-Scheel Fellowship

Target group:	Postdoctoral researchers
Objectives:	Undertake a postdoctoral phase in the field of oncological basic research with clinical relevance or clinical cancer research at a renowned institution abroad
Funding:	24 months only, living allowances depending on destination
Requirements:	Completed doctorate; age limit 35 years; own publications (exceptions for MDs); knowledge of the language of the host country; confirmation of employment at an institute in the Federal Republic of Germany on return is a condition for the granting of the fellowship
Deadline:	See website (Upcoming deadlines February 23rd 2023, 22nd August 2023, 7th November 2023)

[Link to the website](#)

## Human Frontier Science Program (HFSP)

### Outgoing | Long-Term Fellowships (LTF)

Target group:	International postdoctoral researchers in in life sciences and biology
Objectives:	To support innovative, ground-breaking, cross-disciplinary research into fundamental biological problems
Funding:	Up to 3 years, living allowance, research and travel allowance
Requirements:	Doctorate completed less than 3 years ago (exceptions); at least one lead author publication; less than 12 month of research-related stays in the host country; doctorate in a biological discipline and significantly different project
Deadline:	See website, currently May 11th 2023

[Link to the website](#)

### Outgoing | Cross-Disciplinary Fellowships (CDF)

Target group:	International postdoctoral researchers outside the life sciences (e.g. in physics, chemistry, mathematics, engineering or computer sciences)
Objectives:	An opportunity for immersion in the life sciences, the fastest growing innovation sector, by using your expertise in a non-biological discipline to advance quantitative biology
Funding:	Up to 3 years, living allowance, research and travel allowance
Requirements:	Doctorate completed less than 3 years ago (exceptions); at least one lead author publication; less than 12 month of research-related stays in the host country; doctorate outside life sciences
Deadline:	See website, currently May 11th 2023

[Link to the website](#)



## Outgoing | Program Grant

Target group:	International teams of 2-4 independent researchers
Objectives:	To provide researchers with the opportunity to generate innovative research ideas, cross-disciplinary approach to problems in life sciences and biology
Funding:	3 years; up to \$ 500.000 per year depending on team size
Requirements:	Innovative, interdisciplinary approach; international project; applicants must have responsibility for their own laboratory in one of the member countries (exceptions); show evidence of independence; employed at an institute
Deadline:	See website, currently March 30th 2023 (Initiation March 21st 2023)

[Link to the website](#)

## Incoming & Outgoing | Early Career Grant

Target group:	International teams of 2-4 postdoctoral researchers
Objectives:	To support young researchers who address fundamental biological problems together with team members from different areas of the life sciences and biology
Funding:	3 years; up to \$ 500.000 per year depending on team size
Requirements:	Innovative, interdisciplinary approach; international project; principal applicant must have a laboratory in one of the member countries (exceptions); doctorate less than 10 years ago; within 5 years of obtaining an independent position (e.g. assistant professor); employed at an institute
Deadline:	See website, currently March 30th 2023 (Initiation March 21st 2023)

[Link to the website](#)

## Klaus Tschira Boost Fund

### Incoming | Flexible Funding

Target group:	Early-stage and mid-career researchers from Biology, Chemistry, Computer Science, Earth Science, Mathematics, Neurosciences or Physics.
Objectives:	Flexible Funding to create scope for independent, higher risk, interdisciplinary projects and Career Development for Researchers
Funding:	Funding of up to € 80.000 for a period of up to 2 years.
Requirements:	Early-stage and mid-career researchers who are employed at a higher education institution or a non-university research institution
Deadline:	See website, currently March 31st 2023

[Link to the website](#)

## Leopoldina Akademie der Wissenschaften

### Outgoing | Leopoldina Postdoc Scholarship

Target group:	Postdoctoral researchers from German-speaking countries who have already begun conducting independent research in natural science and medicine
Funding:	2 years, € 1.750 + additional allowances
Requirements:	Talented young scientists working within the natural sciences, medicine, the history of science or any other disciplines represented by sections of the Academy, application submitted within 7 years after completing doctorate, outstanding research ability and independent research
Deadline:	Any time

[Link to the website](#)

## Outgoing | Leopoldina Postdoc Scholarship Follow up Funding

Target group:	Leopoldina Postdoc Scholarship recipients
Objectives:	Support to help pay for any materials or travel costs they incur when presenting the results of their postdoc research project
Funding:	Up to 5 years, see program
Requirements:	Research fellows become eligible for the follow-up funding once the Postdoc Scholarship has come to an end and they have returned to Germany
Deadline:	Any time

[Link to the website](#)

## Robert Bosch Foundation

### Incoming | Robert Bosch Junior Professorship

Target group:	Postdocs of all nationalities working in the field of sustainable use of natural resources
Objectives:	Better standing of the emerging field of sustainability science in Germany
Funding:	5 years, € 1 M (salary of PI, personnel, consumables etc.)
Requirements:	Excellent PhD, within 5 years of PhD, compelling independent scientific achievements and publications, international research experience, foreigners need to learn German
Deadline:	Currently no applications possible

[Link to the website](#)

## Fonds der Chemischen Industrie (FCI)

### Incoming | Liebig Fellowship

Target group:	German or European postdoctoral researchers
Objectives:	Support to start an academic career in Germany, for chemists and researchers from related fields
Funding:	€ 3.400/month + additional allowances, 3 years, 2 year extension possible
Requirements:	Max. 3 years after PhD, project in the field of chemistry, change of place of work as well as supervisor after PhD, EU citizenship
Deadline:	Any time

[Link to the website](#)

## Karl-Vossloh-Stiftung

### Incoming | Karl-Vossloh-Grant

Target group:	German University or International German institution related postdoctoral researchers
Objectives:	Support for concepts concerning the future of mobility, and researchers from related fields, including a broad and interdisciplinary approach
Funding:	Max. 3 years of research grants of € 306.000 (€ 102.000 p.a.), including personal, material, travelling, and publication costs
Requirements:	Project in the field of mobility; at least one PhD researcher
Deadline:	Annually August 20th

[Link to the website](#)

## Branco Weiss Fellowship

Target group:	Junior scientists
Objectives:	Opportunity for postdocs in all areas of the natural and social sciences and engineering who have conceived an original and independent research idea that falls outside the scope of large-scale research projects
Funding:	Up to 5 years, max. CHF 500.000
Requirements:	Completed PhD degree within the last 5 years; outstanding scientific achievement; project departs mainstream of research in your discipline
Deadline:	See website, currently January 15th 2023

[Link to the website](#)

## EPFL

### Outgoing | EPFLLeaders4impact

Target group:	Postdocs from all over the world
Objectives:	Support of innovative solutions by addressing on the United States Sustainable Development Goals in fields ranging from engineering and computer sciences to basic sciences, life sciences, architecture and digital humanities. Support in stepping towards starting a company based on their own research or in transferring their idea to an existing company/organisation
Funding:	12 to 36 month, € 2.740 per month salary contribution
Requirements:	Doctoral degree or at least 4 years of equivalent research experience; not lived or carried out main activity in Switzerland for more than 12 months 3 prior to deadline
Deadline:	See website, currently January 15th 2023
Miscellaneous	Research will be conducted on one of the EPFL compuses in Switzerland

[Link to the website](#)

## Alexander von Humboldt Foundation

### Incoming | International Climate Protection Fellowship

Target group:	Prospective leaders and postdocs with climate expertise
Objectives:	Support research-related project with focus on combating climate change, adaptation strategies, persevering ecosystems and biodiversity, or on the sustainable use of seas and oceans
Funding:	12-24 months, 2.670€ per month depending on your career level, travel costs, health insurance, German language course, additional support for family members
Requirements:	<p>Citizen of non-European developing or transition country. Exploring questions in the natural or engineering sciences or addressing legal, economic, health-related or societal aspects of climate change.</p> <p>Prospective leaders: First academic degree with at least 48 month of professional experience</p> <p>Postdoctoral Researchers: completed doctoral degree prior 4 years, published paper in academic journals</p>
Deadline:	Check website (usually February)

[Link to the website](#)

## Volkswagen Foundation

### Outgoing | Open up – New Research Spaces for the Humanities and Cultural Studies

Target group:	Researcher, Postdoc
Objectives:	Support researchers who open up to new research and knowledge spaces in the humanities and cultural studies through the joint exploration of complex and previously unexplored research topics
Funding	Up to 1.5 years; up to € 250.000 or € 350.000
Requirements:	<p>Employed at a scientific institution in Germany, all career levels after PhD. Researcher from foreign institutions eligibly for application as co-applicants.</p> <p>Project primarily concerned with reflecting and exploring new and original research approaches. Projects with high degree of originality which can also be accompanied by a corresponding high-risk character of the project</p>
Deadline:	See website, currently March 13th 2023

[Link to the website](#)

# Conferences, Events & Collaborations

## Bavarian Research Alliance

### Collaborations | Bavarian Funding Programme for the Initiation of International Projects (BayIntAn)

Target group:	Researchers who are planning an international collaboration
Funding:	Up to € 10.000; includes travel costs and accommodations
Requirements:	Planned cooperation must include at least one international partner
Deadline:	See website, currently February 28th 2023 (next Call for 2023 announced in April 2023)
Miscellaneous:	The decision on funding will be sent within 4 to 6 weeks after the closing date

[Link to the website](#)

## Fulbright Commission

### Research & Teaching | German-American Fulbright Programme

Target group:	Postdoctoral researchers who are planning to spend a minimum of 3 months teaching or doing research in the USA; 20 scholarships per year
Funding:	Includes travel costs, health insurance allowance, visa application
Requirements:	Applications from German nationals must be made at least 6 months prior to the requested stay, research or lecture appointment at host university for a duration of at least 3 months.
Deadline:	Any time, 9 months before outward journey

[Link to the website](#)



## German Research Foundation (DFG)

### Travel Costs | Travel Expenses / Scientific Networks

Target group:	Postdoctoral researchers in scientific networks
Objectives:	Opportunity for exchange in relation to research topics and tasks when research is conducted at different locations
Funding:	Max. 3 years; travel and maintenance costs for work meetings of network members, publication costs, other costs
Requirements:	Network must aim at a clear results (e.g. joint publication, re-research) project)
Deadline:	Any time for first proposal

[Link to the website](#)

## Boehringer Ingelheim Fonds

### Travel Costs | Travel Grant

Target group:	Short-term visits (3 months) for young researchers (doctoral candidates and postdocs) wanting to conduct experimental projects in basic biomedical research and wishing to learn clearly defined methods for this purpose, which are of importance to their current research activities and the work of their lab.
Funding:	Flat-rate contribution to cover travel, accommodation, and course costs
Requirements:	Learn clearly defined methods for ongoing research or attend research-research oriented courses (must include 50% of practical work
Deadline:	Any time, but at least 6 weeks before the departure date

[Link to the website](#)

## German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD)

### Collaborations | General Information

The DAAD offers various programs in relation to the establishment of collaborations, partnerships and in development cooperation (collaborations with universities in developing countries). In addition, it is possible to apply for funds for the organization of Summer Schools. The application must be signed by the university management. Further information regarding the individual programs and current calls for applications can be found at: [www.daad.de/en](http://www.daad.de/en).

A non-exhaustive list of research and fellowship opportunities is available at <https://www.research-in-germany.org/en> sponsored by the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) and the German Federal Ministry of Education and Research.

## German Research Foundation (DFG)

### Collaborations | International Collaborations

Target group:	Postdoctoral researchers who are working in the German science system and need support for establishing international collaboration
Funding:	Max. 12 months, exploratory workshops, project-related trips, project-related guest visits
Requirements:	Researchers in Germany or working at a German research institution abroad who have completed their academic training; Discipline-relevant events
Deadline:	Any time, recommended not later than 6 months before start of action

[Link to the website](#)

## Event Organization | International Scientific Events

Target group:	Researchers responsible for organizing the event
Objectives:	To support the organization of scientific events in Germany
Funding:	Depends on type of event, lump sum, travel expenses
Requirements:	Depends on type of event (international specialists conference, international congress/symposium/etc., annual meeting)
Deadline:	Any time, but 6 months before start of event
Miscellaneous:	Annual meetings: proposals can only be supported every 2 years

[Link to the website](#)

## Fritz Thyssen Foundation

### Travel Costs | Travel Subsidies

Target group:	Postdoctoral researchers
Objectives:	Defray travel expenses that are directly related to a project in the humanities, social science or biomedical fields
Funding:	Travel costs, daily fixed sum
Requirements:	Cooperation of international experts; discussion and compilation of concrete topics right up to publication of the jointly compiled finding, only from universities or non-profit research institutions, lecture or congress-related travel are not supported
Deadline:	Any time
Miscellaneous:	Decision time approx. 8 weeks

[Link to the website](#)

## Event Organization | Conferences

Target group:	Researchers from Humanities, Medicine and Natural Sciences
Objectives:	Facilitating the discussion and analysis of specific scholarly questions as well as fostering cooperation and networking of scholars working in the same field or on interdisciplinary topics
Funding:	Number of speakers max. 15-20, travel expenses, accommodation, catering, promotion
Requirements:	Only resources for active participants/speakers are funded; Applications only from universities or non-profit research institutions
Deadline:	See website (usually February 28th, May 31st, August 31st, and November 30th), conference no earlier than 6 months after respective deadline
Miscellaneous:	Decision within 8-10 weeks

[Link to the website](#)

## Technical University of Munich

### Collaborations | TUM Global Incentive Fund

Target group:	TUM professors and all TUM Junior Fellows
Objectives:	Developing and expanding of collaborations with the following selected partners: Imperial College London (UK), Tsinghua University (China), Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology (KNUST) (Ghana), Aalto University (Finland), and University of Queensland (Australia) or as Global Bottom-up Engagement without regional limitations
Funding:	Travel grants and accommodation also for cooperation partner; Development costs of project specific virtual cooperation formats; Workshop costs (catering, room rent, consumables, stationary, workshop material, etc.); Salary for TUM-contracted research assistance & student assistance; Honorarium for keynotes/public lectures
Requirements:	Eligible activities are: Meetings/visits in preparation of joint projects, also on a postgraduate level (including MOOCs); Development of project specific virtual cooperation formats; Networking or collaborative events
Deadline:	See website

[Link to the website](#)

## Volkswagen Foundation

### Event Organization | Summer Schools and Workshops

Target group:	Researchers
Objectives:	Support for interdisciplinary workshops, conferences, and summer schools in all subject areas
Funding:	Depending on program contributions towards travel and costs of stay, and lump sums for research-related costs
Requirements:	Development of new scientific topics and opening of innovative fields of work an interdisciplinary and international context which builds on current discussions, developments and trends in the area; event must take place in Germany with active participation on the part of young researchers (PhDs and post-docs) as well as international researchers as co-applicants or lecturer is preferable
Deadline:	Proposal submitted twice per year (see website), no later than 9 months before the event, decision 3 months after deadline
Miscellaneous:	In addition, the Volkswagen Foundation provides the opportunity to obtain funds for international collaborations. Further information at <a href="https://www.volkswagenstiftung.de/en/our-funding-portfolio">https://www.volkswagenstiftung.de/en/our-funding-portfolio</a>

[Link to the website](https://www.volkswagenstiftung.de/en/our-funding-portfolio)

# Initiatives for Female Researchers

## General information

TUM Equal Opportunity enforces measures and projects concerning Gender Equality, Diversity, Equal Opportunity, Accommodation and Family Services. They offer a broad range of services to support the professional and personal development, as well as career planning, including Coaching, Academies, and Trainings. For more information, see also [the website of TUM Equal Opportunity](#).

Some Departments and Schools at TUM also offer their own support programs for female researchers and it might be worthwhile to look around: The TUM School of Life Sciences e.g. offers funding to [invite female speakers](#); the TUM School of Medicine and the University Hospital offer mentoring programs and other supporting activities as part of the the [KeCK](#) - Koordinierungsstelle für Chancengleichheit und Karriereplanung.

## Daimler and Benz Foundation

### Incoming & Outgoing | Bertha Benz Award for female engineers

Target group:	Young female engineers who have completed an outstanding dissertations in Germany with a Dr.-Ing. degree
Objectives:	Support young female engineers
Funding:	€ 10.000
Requirements:	At the time of nomination, the doctorate was awarded no more than one year ago. The thesis must have been qualified as "magna cum laude" or "summa cum laude". The governing bodies of universities and independent research institutes are entitled to nominate candidates
Deadline:	See website (usually March, next nomination period: November 1st 2022 to March 1st 2023)

[Link to the website](#)

## L'Oréal-UNESCO

### Incoming & Outgoing | For Women in Science Fellowships

Target group:	Excellent women scientists (PhD, postdocs)
Objectives:	Facilitate the progress of highly qualified women with children in science
Funding:	2 years, € 14.600 per stipend, € 10.000 for the institutions
Requirements:	Eligible to apply are graduate students and postdoctoral fellows of all nationalities, who are conducting their research at a German university, as well as postdoctoral fellows who have obtained their doctoral degree at a German university and continue their research abroad. Being a mother.
Deadline:	See website (usually annually November 30th)

[Link to the website](#)

## Max Planck Society (MPG)

### Incoming & Outgoing | Lise Meitner Excellence Programme

Target group:	Female scientists
Objectives:	Attract increasing numbers of women to a career in science and provide them with equal opportunities for all stages of their career
Funding:	Initially 6 year position in the Max Planck Institute in the W2 salary group
Requirements:	Exceptionally qualified female scientists, recommendations letter of two external reviewers
Deadline:	See website

[Link to the website](#)



# Initiatives for At-Risk Researchers

## General information

TUM is a member of the global Scholars at Risk network and supports at-risk researchers who are not able to continue their research in their home country as well as their families.

At TUM, nominations for threatened researchers are [coordinated by TUM ForTe](#). If you are an at-risk researcher or interested in hosting an at-risk researcher, please contact the team via [psi@tum.de](mailto:psi@tum.de). For more information on sponsorship opportunities for researchers at risk, please visit also the [AvH website](#).

## Alexander von Humboldt Foundation (AvH)

### Incoming | Philipp Schwarz Initiative (PSI)

Target group:	Researchers at risk
Funding:	Scholarship or contract for 24 months, extension for 12 months possible
Requirements:	Researchers at risk, nominated via a German University or institution; Scholars from non-EU countries with a residence status in the context of an asylum-granting procedure or credible threat assessment issued by a third party (such as Scholars at Risk); to have completed a doctorate or comparable academic degree, and not be or have been resident outside their own country for more than five years at the time of application
Deadline:	2-3 calls per year (see website)

[Link to the website](#)

## Academy in Exile (AiE)

### Incoming | Grant for Scholars, Artists and Journalists at risk

Target group:	Researchers, cultural producers, and journalists at risk from all over the world
Funding:	Scholarship for 3-24 months
Requirements:	Researchers at risk
Deadline:	See the website

[Link to the website](#)

## German Research Foundation (DFG)

### General information

As Contribution to the integration of Refugee Scientists and Academics in research and society, the German Research Foundation (DFG) offers Higher education institutions and project leaders the possibility to apply for additional staff funding in existing DFG-funded projects like Collaborative Researchers Centers. For more information, please visit the website and get in touch with the [National Research Funding Support](#) at TUM.

[Link to the website](#)

## Volkswagen Foundation

### Incoming | Funding for Refugee Scholars and Scientists from Afghanistan

Target group:	Researchers at risk from Afghanistan
Objectives:	Scholarship or contract for 24 months, extension for 12 months possible
Funding:	Up to € 150.000
Requirements:	Researchers who are or were funded by the Foundation within the last 10 years and who wish to integrate refugee scholars from Afghanistan into their research context can make the application
Deadline:	Application any time after prior consolidation

[Link to the website](#)

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