Projects for the promotion of young researchers 2023-2024

Requirements:
The applicant is a research associate of the University Medicine Leipzig, or will be employed in the above mentioned institutions for at least the duration of the project (18 months).
The applicant is not older than 35 years of age at the time of the beginning of the funding period (01.01.2023) (cases of family-related absences - child care, care of family members for reasons of age or illness are recognised)
Applicants must have completed their doctorate by 01.01.2023, i.e. a copy of the doctoral certificate must be submitted with the application documents or proof that the doctoral procedure has been initiated (confirmation that the complete doctoral documents are available in the responsible department)
The project application must be accompanied by at least one publication copy in first authorship.

Only complete applications will be processed.

Application:
Project funding is used to prepare a qualified research proposal, primarily with the DFG. A concept (1/2 page) of the future proposal (project title, planned duration, possible project partners, etc.) with the name of the potential funding agency is expected in the project proposal. In addition, the project proposal should describe the results/preliminary work for which the funding of young researchers is to be used. In the interest of the reviewers, a short but comprehensive description of the planned project is requested (max. 10 pages). The application should be comprehensible in itself, the reviewers must be convinced with the application that the project is worthy of funding and that the applicant is capable of carrying out the project.

Project duration and funding volume:
The amount of funding can be up to 60,000 €, to be applied for a funding period of 18 months. (Applications exceeding 60,000 € will be returned unprocessed.) The project funding of the Faculty of Medicine is a start-up funding, 2/3 of the approved amount can be called up within the first 12 months, the allocation of the last third depends on the confirmed application for a continuing third-party funded project. A second grant is not possible.
You are requested to inform us if an application for funding for this project is submitted elsewhere. Please list any applications for funding that have already been submitted elsewhere.

Submission deadline:
The Applications can be submitted via the following online link:
https://redcap.medizin.uni-leipzig.de/redcap/surveys/?s=RHFEYPHJEWME9XHK
Please upload the following documents:
- Doctoral degree certificate or confirmation of receipt of the complete doctoral thesis in the relevant department
- Complete list of publications (incl. copies of max. 3 most important publications)
- Curriculum vitae of the applicant
- Statement of the head of the institution with information on available resources.
- Justification and current offer of investments (if any)
- Project application (template see below)

Submission of the complete application documents for the funding period 2023/24 via the above-mentioned link by 06.06.2022, 3:00 p.m.
For further information call 0341 97-15997, Dr. Susan Kralisch-Jäcklein; MB-RefFo@medizin.uni-leipzig.de

Stand April 2022
Scientific Proposal

1. First page
   [Completely filled in and with date of application]

2. Introduction und question
   [Please explain the context of your project application at this point and state specific hypotheses and questions!]

3. State of the art research
   [Precise and concise with direct reference to the project, indication of the essential and current work in the field to be worked on with indication of source; it should be clear where the own work is to be classified].

4. Own preliminary work
   [Concrete and complete preliminary work; List of publications of the last 3 years by the applicant and max. 3 own publications in copy, also submitted publications in print]

5. Scientific concept for qualified third-party funding application:
   [Project funding is used to prepare a qualified research proposal, primarily with the DFG. Please enter a concept (1/2 page) of the future proposal (project title, planned duration, possible project partners, etc.) with the name of the potential funding agency here.]

6. Work program
   [Clear design of experiments; the quality of the work program has a significant influence on the eligibility for funding; conclusive listing with reference to the further application for third-party funding, why what is being applied for and for what purpose; listing of methods, including those to be developed.]

7. Milestones/ Timeplan
   [Planned funding period by the Faculty of Medicine 1 1/2 years, total planned duration of the project]

8. Experiments
   a) Studies in humans
      [Ethical and legal aspects of the design of experiments, the opinion of the ethics committee must be enclosed or submitted later].
   b) Studies in animals
      [Compliance with the regulations of the Animal Protection Act, obtaining official approvals or reference to the existence of the official approval according to TschG]
   c) Genetic engineering experiments
      [Reference to the existence of the official approval according to GenTG]

9. Requested budget (fully justified):
   a) Staff resources
      [If the own position is to be financed, this must already be stated and justified in the application and reference must be made to follow-up financing]
      Unqualified research assistants (e.g. students)
      [a timetable indicating the nature of the tasks with the number of hours envisaged]
      Qualified research assistants (e.g. university graduates)
   b) Consumables
Material resources are to be grouped together - e.g. laboratory consumables such as pipette tips or cell culture disposables; no standard literature and stock withdrawals; no business requirements; reasons why financing from faculty funds is not possible or in what form an own contribution from hospital or institute funds is made.

c) **Investment resources**

   All equipment applied for, acquisition costs incl. VAT including ancillary costs, current offer, detailed justification; in the case of capital goods with a long service life and useful life, the participation of the applicant's institution is a prerequisite, which should already be formulated in the application.

10. **A brief description of the available resources**

    Overall prerequisite, existing basic equipment, contribution of own financial resources

11. **Composition of the working party**

    Number of academic, technical and support staff to be involved in the project

11. **Cooperation with other scientists, including foreign working groups**

    Naming of those scientists (including foreign scientists) with whom cooperation already exists and who are to participate in this project.

12. **Curriculum vitae including information on the current job situation**

    Please only from principal investigator

13. **Declaration on the application**

    "If an application for follow-up financing of this project is submitted to external funding organizations or a decision is made by them, I will immediately inform the Research Commission of the decision of the third-party funding provider and, if applicable, send a copy of the letter of approval to the Research Commission. I am aware that in case of external third-party funding of the project applied for, the funding by the funding program of the Faculty of Medicine will end".