

Newsletter Research, 03 February 2026

Calls

Tiroler Nachwuchsforscher*innen Förderung/Tyrolean Funding for Young Researchers 2026

The Call will be open from

01.02.2026 –15.03.2026

Further information:

<https://www.i-med.ac.at/forschung/foerderungen/tiwifo/tiroler-nachwuchsforscherinnenfoerderung.html.de>

and

<https://www.tirol.gv.at/arbeit-wirtschaft/wirtschaft-und-arbeit/foerderungen/wissenschaftsfoerderung/tiroler-nachwuchsforscherinnenfoerderung/>

FWF - Top Citizen Science

Target group: all researchers leading an FWF-funded project; young target groups are expressly welcome

Deadline: 07 April 2026

Further information: <https://www.fwf.ac.at/en/funding/portfolio/communication/top-citizen-science>

FWF Coaching Workshop:

10 February 2026 - online - further information & registration:

<https://www.fwf.ac.at/en/news/detail/virtual-fwf-coaching-workshop-de-citizen-science>

10 March 2026 - online - further information & registration:

<https://www.fwf.ac.at/en/news/detail/virtual-fwf-coaching-workshop-de-citizen-science-1>

New IHI 12 Call is now open

Further information: <https://www.ihi.europa.eu/apply-funding/ihi-call-12>

Deadline: 21 April 2026

The five topics available for selection are based on the SIRA strategic research agenda.

- [Topic 1 \(SO1\): Boosting innovation for a better understanding of the determinants of health](#)
- [Topic 2 \(SO2\): Boosting innovation through better integration of fragmented health R&I efforts](#)
- [Topic 3 \(SO3\): Boosting innovation for people-centred integrated healthcare solutions](#)
- [Topic 4 \(SO4\): Boosting innovation through exploitation of digitalisation and data exchange in healthcare](#)
- [Topic 5 \(SO5\): Boosting innovation for better assessment of the added value of innovative integrated healthcare solutions](#)

Find partners for call 12 via the Brokerage Platform

The [platform](#) includes a networking module so that you can find potential partners for your consortium and message them. The platform will remain open for networking until the call deadline.

While the IHI Call Days platform is a great place to start your search for partners, we advise you to use other avenues as well - you can find further tips and advice on finding partners here. <https://www.ihi.europa.eu/apply-funding/find-partners>

UPDATE concerning the recent Horizon Europe Health call

- The calls have been published in December – always work with the final version of the [“Cluster Health work programme”](#) or with the call topics published on the Funding & Tenders Portal. Official opening is only on the 10th of February, but all info is available and if you are planning to submit a project in April, preparations should have started already.

- The European Commission is also organising an [infoday on the new calls on the 10th of February](#) - just pick out the session of interest to you, and post questions online - this is the only time the EC will directly give answers to the call topics

MUI Calls

Grants from the Dr. Johannes und Hertha Tuba Foundation 2025

Target group: scientists with a degree in human medicine or dental medicine and physicians working in aging research.

Applications are possible on rolling basis.

Further information:

<https://www.i-med.ac.at/forschung/foerderungen/Tuba-Stipendium.html>

https://www.i-med.ac.at/forschung/foerderungen/Tuba-Stipendium_en.html.en

Networking

Join the Teach Forward Community

Exploring new ways of teaching and learning? The Teach Forward Community brings together researchers and teachers who experiment with innovative teaching approaches, digital tools, and AI-supported practices. Discover fresh ideas, learn from real experiences, and exchange with colleagues across disciplines.

Get inspired and join the conversation: <https://link.i-med.ac.at/s/teachforward>

Postdoc Coffee Hour – 12 February 2026

Join us for the new monthly Postdoc Coffee Hour to connect with colleagues and enjoy a coffee together. Held on the second Thursday of each month, 12:00 h -13:00 h, at the Faculty Club (Schöpfstraße 41, first floor). No registration required, drop in anytime. Coffee and tea provided – feel free to bring your lunch.

Find all upcoming dates here:

<https://meduni->

[ibk.atlassian.net/wiki/spaces/abteilungenformulare/pages/584941596/Postdoc+Network](https://meduni-ibk.atlassian.net/wiki/spaces/abteilungenformulare/pages/584941596/Postdoc+Network)

Junior Faculty Meeting – 18 February 2026

<https://meduni-ibk.atlassian.net/wiki/apps/f74a7224-3950-4abc-9ec5-17d49c67075e/94aae7a1-bec7-41fd-b577-cd0d41b9409d/mantra/workspaces/default/events/523042849>

Talks

CCB Lecture Series – 09 February 2026

Utz Fischer (Würzburg): Making mRNA in the wrong compartment: how poxviruses express their genes in the host cytoplasm

https://biocenter.i-med.ac.at/wp-content/uploads/2025/10/CCB_Lecture_Series-2025_2026.pdf

CCB Lecture Series – 16 February 2026

Guillaume van Niel (Nantes - Angers Cancer and Immunology Research Center): Fundamental lessons and therapeutic opportunities from live imaging of extracellular vesicles

Career Perspectives: Beyond the Postdoc – 06 March 2026

Lunchtime online talk: Succeeding as a scientist in consulting (German Postdoc Network)

<https://germanpostdoc.net/event/succeeding-as-a-scientist-in-consulting/>

Reminder Workshops

Job application training within and beyond academia – 24 March 2026

<https://meduni-ibk.atlassian.net/wiki/apps/f74a7224-3950-4abc-9ec5-17d49c67075e/94aae7a1-bec7-41fd-b577-cd0d41b9409d/mantra/workspaces/default/events/439517214>

Negotiation Skills – 14 April 2026 and 05 May 2026

<https://meduni-ibk.atlassian.net/wiki/apps/f74a7224-3950-4abc-9ec5-17d49c67075e/94aae7a1-bec7-41fd-b577-cd0d41b9409d/mantra/workspaces/default/events/466944166>

Intercultural intelligence in research and science- 28 May 2026

<https://meduni-ibk.atlassian.net/wiki/apps/f74a7224-3950-4abc-9ec5-17d49c67075e/94aae7a1-bec7-41fd-b577-cd0d41b9409d/mantra/workspaces/default/events/662667291>

Further information

Text modules for research proposals – the Gender Monitoring Tool

Explain the sex and gender medicine aspects of your research project – Are you familiar with this or a similar question from research proposals?

The Gender Monitoring Tool offers suggestions and text modules for your research proposal! Information on gender- and diversity-specific medicine at the university, suggestions for the integration into your project content, equal opportunities in the research team, etc.

Text templates to copy, tips, ideas for integration and further links. Available in German and English at: <https://www.i-med.ac.at/koostelle/gender-mainstreaming/textbausteine-fuer-forschungsantraege.html>

Reminder Calls

FWF doc.funds

Target group: all Austrian research institutions entitled to grant doctoral degrees, where at least 5 researchers or arts-based researchers join to form a consortium to implement a project.

Deadline: 26 February 2026

Further information: <https://www.fwf.ac.at/en/funding/portfolio/careers/docfunds>

FWF doc.funds.connect

Target group: all Austrian universities pursuant to the Universities Act (UG) and all Austrian universities of applied sciences pursuant to the Universities of Applied Sciences Act (FHG), where at least 5 researchers or arts-based researchers join to form a multi-institutional consortium to implement a collaborative project.

Deadline: 26 February 2026

Further information: <https://www.fwf.ac.at/en/funding/portfolio/careers/docfundsconnect>

Elisabeth Lutz Award

The Elisabeth Lutz Award is given for outstanding applied research in the field of bio or life sciences, especially for new findings or innovative research approaches that could help develop new therapeutic methods.

Deadline: 01 April 2026

Further information: <https://stipendien.oeaw.ac.at/en/awards/natural-science/elisabeth-lutz-award>

Nutricia Award for Medical Nutrition Research 2026

Target group: researchers under the age of 40 who are engaged in research on medical nutrition, particularly in clinical applications

Deadline: 28 February 2026

Further information:

https://www.nutricia.de/med/ernaehrungsblog/nutricia_foerderpreis_2026.html

KFV Forschungspreis 2026

We are looking for innovative scientific work, concepts, products, and programs that contribute effectively to accident and damage prevention.

Target group: students and graduates of university and non-university educational institutions, students of vocational high schools, and professionals from research, industry, and business. All institutions must be located in Austria.

Deadline: 08 March 2026

Further information: <https://www.kfv.at/kfv-forschungspreis-2026/>

FFG Digital Technologies 2025

Priority 1, "Limits of Digital Technologies," will fund projects that reflect combinations of different digital technologies, especially between artificial intelligence and quantum technologies. Funding instruments here are cooperative R&D projects, exploratory studies, and qualification networks.

In priority area 2, "Data-driven applications in the health sector," one flagship project will be funded.

Submission deadlines:

Cooperative R&D projects and exploratory studies: 05 March 2026, 12:00 p.m.

Flagship project and qualification networks: 14 April 2026, 12:00 p.m.

Further information:

https://eur01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.ffg.at%2FDTundLoesungenfuerdenMenschen_2025&data=05%7C02%7CNadine.Hoetzi%40i-med.ac.at%7C4606504a664540da7a8008de1154bbd3%7Cd18f9d4a2ea8410a891095d60cbf7750%7C0%7C0%7C638967252770245230%7CUnknown%7CTWFPbGZsb3d8eyJFbXB0eU1hcGkiOnRydWUsIlYiOiIwLjAuMDAwMCIslIAiOiJXaW4zMilslkFOlpoiTWFPbClslldUljoyfQ%3D%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=86CTVpzfjCdP7eEkCWT%2BSw5YLEPexPsEM1sC7PDyZIE%3D&reserved=0

ERC Work Programme 2026

https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/docs/2021-2027/horizon/wp-call/2026/wp_horizon-erc-2026_en.pdf

Deadlines

ERC Advanced Grant: 27 August 2026

Austrian Life Sciences: Permanently Open Calls

The Austrian Life Sciences Programme offers a number of options for research projects - whether digitalization in the healthcare sector, the development of medical products and drugs or the implementation of clinical studies.

Highlights:

- Submission possible at any time until 18 December 2026 at the latest
- Maximum funding amount: 3 million euros per project and research category
- Amount of the grant depends on the type of organization and research category

Further Information: <https://www.ffg.at/ausschreibung/AustrianLifeSciences-2024-2026>

Update on Mission Cancer

The planned Work Programme 2026-27 has been published <https://ec.europa.eu/transparency/comitology-register/screen/documents/107712/2/consult?lang=en>

For 2026

Deadline on 16 April 2026

8 topics are planned:

- virtual human twin models
- microbiome for early cancer prediction
- socio-economic burden for health systems
- clinical trials for immunotherapeutic interventions
- earlier palliative care
- quality of life for young cancer survivors by cancer charities
- mental health of young cancer survivors
- capacity building for Ukraine

For 2027, currently 5 topics are planned

Deadlines in September 2027 (tbc)

- functional genomics for novel targets for cancer treatment
- Clinical research by Comprehensive Cancer Infrastructures
- clinical trials to test biomarker-guided medicines for rare cancers
- improve quality of life of elderly cancer patients
- affordable solutions for healthcare systems

BIO – Europe Spring

When: 23 – 25 March 2026

Where: Lisbon, Portugal

This year BIO-Europe Spring is part of the Life Science Investment and Partnering Week alongside LSX Europe. This week covers every stage of the innovation, investment, and partnering journey from early-stage funding through mature partnerships.

Further information: [here](#)

Further information

Horizon Europe Calls 2025 – Important changes in proposal templates and evaluation process

http://www.i-med.ac.at/forschung/files/FactSheet_ChangesProposaltemplates2025.pdf

Publishing Services

<https://www.i-med.ac.at/forschung/publikationsservices.html.de>

<https://www.i-med.ac.at/forschung/publikationsservices.html.en>

1. Publishing agreements

<https://www.i-med.ac.at/forschung/openaccess.html#foerderungen>

<https://www.i-med.ac.at/forschung/openaccess.html.en#funding>

2. Open Access Publication Fund (new terms!)

<https://www.i-med.ac.at/forschung/Open-Access-Publikationsfonds.html>

<https://www.i-med.ac.at/forschung/Open-Access-Publikationsfonds.html.en>

3. FWF Open Access Block Grant

<https://www.i-med.ac.at/forschung/foerderungen/oa-pauschale.html>

<https://www.i-med.ac.at/forschung/foerderungen/oa-pauschale-en.html>

Applications possible on rolling basis to apply via GAR:

<https://fld.i-med.ac.at/public/garinfo.cgi>

i-med scholarship for short stays abroad for graduated young scientists

Further information: <https://www.i-med.ac.at/forschung/foerderungen/as/>

i-med Research Scholarships for graduated young scientists

Further information: <https://www.i-med.ac.at/forschung/foerderungen/fs/index.html>

Grants from the Dr. Johannes and Hertha Tuba foundation

Further information: <https://www.i-med.ac.at/forschung/foerderungen/Tuba-Stipendium.html>

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Grant Support office: <https://www.i-med.ac.at/forschung/grant-support-office.html>

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