

Newsletter Research, 27 April 2026

Calls

Land Tirol - Flagship projects in the field of digitalization - with a focus on digital sovereignty
The goal of this initiative is to support flagship digitalization projects with importance for a specific region or with trans-regional significance. The funding is intended to support model projects. These projects are expected to have a positive impact on the economy, employment, and life in Tyrol.

Deadline: 15 May 2026

Research fields:

- Cloud technologies
- Big data and data analytics
- Data and data ecosystems
- Artificial intelligence and machine learning

Further information:

<https://www.tirol.gv.at/arbeit-wirtschaft/wirtschaft-und-arbeit/foerderungen/technologiefoerderungsprogramm/digitalisierungsfoerderungen/leuchtturmprojekte-im-bereich-digitalisierung-mit-bezug-auf-digitale-souveraenitaet/>

DOC [Doctoral Fellowship Program of the Austrian Academy of Sciences]

The application for a DOC fellowship is open to highly qualified doctoral candidates who are pursuing their doctoral/PhD studies at a university in Austria and meet the application requirements.

Next submission deadline: 17 August – 15 September 2026

Further information: <https://stipendien.oeaw.ac.at/en/fellowships/doc>

Förderungsaufwurf 2026 - Maßnahmen zur ökonomischen und gesundheitlichen Selbstbestimmung von Frauen und Mädchen“

Target group: all women

Deadline: 12 June 2026, 12:00 h

Further information:

https://www.bmfwf.gv.at/frauen-und-gleichstellung/services/frauenprojektfoerderungen/foerderungsaufwurf_2026.html

Dr. Johannes und Hertha Tuba Prize 2026

One award for (an) outstanding publication(s) in the field of aging research or particularly outstanding scientific work in the field of gerontology and geriatrics (ageing research).

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

Deadline: 03 May 2026

Further information and online application:

<https://www.i-med.ac.at/de/forschung/foerderungen/dr-johannes-und-herta-tuba-preis/>
<https://www.i-med.ac.at/en/forschung/foerderungen/dr-johannes-und-herta-tuba-preis/>

Dr. Johannes und Hertha Tuba Research Funding 2026

Target group: scientists with an outstanding project in the field of ageing research

Deadline: 03 May 2026

Further information and online application:

<https://www.i-med.ac.at/forschung/foerderungen/Dr.-Johannes-und-Hertha-Tuba-Forschungsfoerderung.html>

https://www.i-med.ac.at/forschung/foerderungen/Dr-Johannes-and-Hertha-Tuba-Research-Funding_en.html

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

Prize of the Brigitta Zollner Foundation 2026

Award for (an) outstanding publication(s) in the field of gynaecology and the associated oncology.

The prize is endowed with Euro 5.000,--.

Target group: scientists with a degree in medicine or natural sciences

Application: 06 May 2026 – 07 June 2026

Further information and online application:

<https://www.i-med.ac.at/forschung/foerderungen/zollner-stiftung-preis.html>

<https://www.i-med.ac.at/forschung/foerderungen/zollner-stiftung-preis.html.en>

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

Dr. Otto Seibert Science Funding Prize 2026

Award for an outstanding publication published in print or online with a year of publication before the end of the tendering period.

Target group: young scientists at the MUI

Application: 06 May 2026 – 07 June 2026

Further information:

<https://www.i-med.ac.at/forschung/foerderungen/oswf/>

<https://www.i-med.ac.at/en/forschung/foerderungen/oswf/>

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

Further information:

Reminder!

Since the beginning of this year, the MUI is an official member of KeyInnovations/OpenCosmos platform. The platform offers a wide variety of support and training opportunities relating to international and EU project applications. If you are interested in these services, which are now completely free for all our researchers, please contact sc-forschung@i-med.ac.at. We will then create a personal account for you on the platform to give you full access.

Gender- and diversity-sensitive medicine and research – a guide

What does equal opportunity have to do with excellent research? Taking into account factors such as sex/gender, age, social differences, language proficiency, etc. as influencing factors in medicine and access to medicine leads to more precise and targeted results and thus to improved health solutions for patients.

The guide provides insight into how these aspects can be integrated into research projects.

<https://www.i-med.ac.at/koostelle/gender-mainstreaming/leitfaeden-fuer-forschung-und-lehre.html>

New ERC eligibility rules in 2027

ERC President Maria Leptin explains (<https://erc.europa.eu/news-events/news/erc-president-explains-strictier-application-measures-amid-rising-demand-funding>) stricter application measures amid rising demand for funding. The ERC will launch a new round of grant competitions from July 2026 to June 2027, with changes to eligibility rules.

Background

- 91 panels meet twice yearly—first to shortlist, then to interview and rank proposals.
- Panels efficiently handled 50–150 proposals; now some panels face 250+ applications, a trend expected to continue.
- Process improvements to streamline evaluation have been made, but reviewer burden remains high.
- Soft measures (encouraging applicants to apply at the right time with mature proposals) had limited impact.

Key changes

- Extend existing resubmission restrictions by one year; adopted after extensive discussion and lack of viable alternatives.
- Immediate impact: changes will affect 2027 call applicants who were unsuccessful in previous calls.
- Possible future impact: similar restrictions may be imposed for 2028 and 2029, which would exclude unsuccessful 2027 applicants from those calls.
- Advice to applicants: carefully assess whether 2027 is the optimal time to apply; postponing to further mature the proposal may improve funding chances.

Events

FS Academy 05 – 07 May 2026

Further information & registration: <https://www.i-med.ac.at/forschung/files/FS-Academy-Mai-2026.pdf>

Training Programme for Young Scientists

- Proposal Writing Workshop for Postdocs and PhD students in their final year of study
Date: 17 June 2026 (9.00-17.00 h)
- Scientific Writing: Research Papers and More
Date: 18 June 2026 (9.00 – 17.00 h)
- Scientific Writing advanced
Date: 19 June 2026 (9.00 – 17.00 h)
- Effective Visual Communication of Science
Date: 24 June 2026 (9.00-13:30 h) ONLINE!
(Three spaces are still available.)

Information and registration at

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

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

Time tracking made easy with RobotRec (training for doctors)

When: 07 May 2026 - 14:00 - 15:30 h

Registration deadline: 16 April 2026

Further information is available [HERE](#).

The training will be held in German.

Webinar: OMERO – A Platform for Image Data Management

When: 05 May 2026, 10:00 - 11:30 h

Further information: <https://forschung-daten.at/artikel/webinar-omero-a-platform-for-image-data-management/>

Employment Law for Scientists (27 May 2026): <https://meduni-ibk.atlassian.net/wiki/apps/f74a7224-3950-4abc-9ec5-17d49c67075e/94aae7a1-bec7-41fd-b577-cd0d41b9409d/mantra/workspaces/default/events/1053458439>

Power & Micropolitics in Academia (11 & 12 June 2026): <https://meduni-ibk.atlassian.net/wiki/apps/f74a7224-3950-4abc-9ec5-17d49c67075e/94aae7a1-bec7-41fd-b577-cd0d41b9409d/mantra/workspaces/default/events/880246796>

Business Administration Basics (2 July 2026): <https://meduni-ibk.atlassian.net/wiki/apps/f74a7224-3950-4abc-9ec5-17d49c67075e/94aae7a1-bec7-41fd-b577-cd0d41b9409d/mantra/workspaces/default/events/890765503>

Networking:

Postdoc Coffee Hour (21 May 2026, 12:00 – 13:00 h) with Michaela Lackner – AKGI

Where: at the Faculty Club, Schöpfstr. 41, 1st floor

Further information:

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

[ibk.atlassian.net/wiki/spaces/abteilungenformulare/pages/584941596/Postdoc+Network](https://meduni-ibk.atlassian.net/wiki/spaces/abteilungenformulare/pages/584941596/Postdoc+Network) and join the teams channel to stay up to date: [Allgemein | Postdoc Network | Microsoft Teams](#)

Junior Faculty Meeting

When: 11 June 2026 from 16:00 h

Where: at the Faculty Club,

Agenda & registration:

<https://www.termino.gv.at/meet/b/fd802a66442271048bc0ec2967853c24-506217>

Reminder Calls

Euregio 6th Call – Tyrol-South Tyrol-Trentino

Target group: researchers from all disciplines from the three Euregio territories of Tyrol, South Tyrol, and Trentino applying jointly for a cooperative, interregional research project

Submission online by the Tyrolean consortium member (“organizational coordinator”) and the Tyrolean research institution using [elane](#)

Deadline: 26 May 2026

Further information: [Tyrol-South Tyrol-Trentino - FWF](#)

FFG BRIDGE 2026/1

Target group: all researchers

Deadline: 11 June 2026, 12:00 h

Further information: <https://www.ffg.at/ausschreibung/bridge-2026-1>

Karl Vass Multiple Sklerose Forschungspreis 2026

Target group: young scientists working in the field of multiple sclerosis

Deadline: 30 June 2026

Further information: <https://msges-forschung.at/foerderungen-projektausschreibung/>

Helmut-Sinzinger-Preis 2026

Prize for the best publication in 2024 in the fields of lipid metabolic disorders, atherosclerosis diseases and their latest diagnostic and treatment methods. Therapy options including lipoprotein apheresis.

Deadline: 31 July 2026

Award: EUR 5.000,00

Further information:

<http://www.i-med.ac.at/forschung/files/Call-for-applications-Helmut-Sinzinger-Award-2026.pdf> and <http://www.i-med.ac.at/forschung/files/Helmut-Sinzinger-Prize-Foundation-deed-2025.pdf>

Eduard-Wallnöfer-Preis der Tiroler Industrie

Deadline: 24 August 2026

Further information: <https://eduard-wallnoefer-preis.at/> and <https://eduard-wallnoefer-preis.at/einreichen/>

Advance notice – new ERC format: ERC Plus Grant

The tender is scheduled to open on 02 June 2026 (subject to change).

Further information:

<https://erc.europa.eu/apply-grant/erc-plus-grant>

FFG: Internships for pupils - Four weeks in science and technology

The talents internships offer pupils from 15 years of age the opportunity to get an insight in the fascinating universe of natural sciences & technology.

Pupils can do an internship in various companies and scientific research institutions for four weeks during the summer time (01 June – 30 September).

Deadline: 26 August 2026, 12:00 p.m.

Further information:

<https://www.ffg.at/praktika2026>

The funding application must be submitted before the start of the internship (no later than the first day of the internship).

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

Deadline:

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>

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>

4. Recommended iMooX course on

- integrity and quality in scientific publications and

- predatory publishing: fraudulent business models in scientific open access publishing

<https://imoox.at/course/predatory>

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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