Intramural Funding Programs of the Faculty of Medicine Tübingen

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The intramural research funding programs of the Faculty of Medicine Tübingen are a strategic measure to support innovative research projects with start-up funding.

Funding approval is based solely

- on the quality of the applications and
- on their potential to enable the subsequent acquisition of external funding.
Concept of Internal Research Funding

Junior Academy
- Fortüne program
- Junior Research Groups
- TÜFF
- Clinician Scientist
- (DFG funding, or similar)

AKF
- Pilot Studies
- Start-up Funding
- Incentive Program for Study Protocols

1. Start-up Funding of innovative projects
2. Career development
   - (Mentoring)

Program to increase the number of science-driven studies in the form of investigator-initiated trials (IITs)
(focus on phase I/II trials)
With its Junior Academy, the Faculty of Medicine has established a postgraduate training program to assist selected young researchers in establishing their own independent academic career.

The Junior Academy provides a platform for organizational and structural career promotion and guides young researchers on their path to becoming independent and successful group leaders.
Budget for intramural funding programs: ≈ 6 Mio €

- fortüne 1.7 Mio €
- JRG/JRGplus 1.4 Mio €
- Gender equality 200 T€
- TÜFF 280 T€
- AKF 800 T€
- AKF-Incentive 600 T€
- Clinician Scientist 1 Mio €
Career development

Junior Academy

PATE, Junior
- Normal Grants
- Junior Research Groups
- Clinician Scientist

University studies

Residency training, as a rule 5 years

Residency + Clinician Scientist approx. 6 – 6.5 years

Habilitation
Program lines

**Junior, PATE, Normal, Bridging Grants**

Junior Research Group: Set-up of candidate’s own Research Group; requires above-average doctoral degree, postdoctoral experience; (150 T € p.a., 2+1 a)

**JRGplus**

Incentive program for establishment of an external JRG at the MFT (i.e. ERC Starting Grant, Emmy Noether, etc.; max. 300 T€)

**Clinician Scientist**

Career development, training and research leave during medical residency training (TVÄ 49%; 3 years)

**TÜFF**

Tübingen Program for the Promotion of Women in Research
Structured Program

- Courses
- Seminars
- E-platform (Ilias, Cloud, announcements, password)
- Mailing lists of the members
- Meetings twice a year
- (Establishment of mentoring)
- Junior Academy as a Peer Review group
- Self-driven
Members currently approx. 100 members

- Junior
- Normal
- PATE
- TÜFF/MvW
- JRG
- Clinician Scientists
- DFG grants, a.o.
Program lines

- **Pilot studies**
  - Support for pilot studies (phase I-II trials)
  - Prospects of external funding for subsequent phase II-III trials

- **Startup funding**
  - Clinical studies for which funding applications have been submitted to an external funding organization (BMBF, EU, DFG, German Cancer Aid, etc.) can be supported with start-up funding (20 T €)

- **Incentive**
  - Support for the initiation and execution of investigator-initiated trials (IITs)
  - Program provides incentives for the design of study protocols and the successful recruitment of patients for such trials.
How to apply?

Intramural research funding programs at the Faculty of Medicine in Tübingen (IZKF)

Facility programs

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More information about the Junior Academy

Junior Academy
- fortune Program
- Junior Research Groups
- TÜFF
- Clinician Scientist

AKF
- Applied Clinical Research AKF

Promotions-Kolleg
- Graduate Program IZKF

Verbünde
- Start-up funding for collaboration

TÜFF
- Women in Research
Start-up funding for highly qualified young scientists (age limit: 33 years) with innovative projects to enable them to set up independent research projects with good chances of acquiring external grants.

**Detailed description of the funding instrument**

Please note: Decisions about funding for investigator positions will not be made until the commission meeting on 25 November 2015.

Funding is available for competitive projects of outstanding quality with the goal of preparing them for the acquisition of external grants.

**Detailed description of the funding instrument**

Interim funding for projects which received start-up funding from the fortune program in order to bridge the time until a final decision is reached on a submitted external grant application.

**Detailed description of the funding instrument**

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### Objectives
Start-up funding for innovative research projects at the Faculty Medicine Tübingen which have good chances of acquiring external follow-up funding.

### Age limit
As a rule, applicants may be up to 33 years old. Exceptions may be made for parental leave, double degrees, vocational training or stays abroad.

### Scientific qualifications
- completed doctoral studies
- The applicant must have published papers in recognized journals. As a rule, the applicant should have at least two publications, at least one of which should be as first author.

### Prerequisites
- The junior grant applicant must be the sole applicant.
- Accompanying letter from head of department with budget authority confirming that applicant will continue.
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About us

The conduct of clinical studies is one of the most important tasks of medical research in the academic setting and essential for the development and the improvement of modern therapies.

The Center for Clinical Studies Tübingen (ZKS Tübingen) is a facility of the faculty of medicine together with Tübingen University Hospital (UKT). The ZKS has the purpose to support all the processes of clinical studies, as well as to guarantee and improve the quality of the patient oriented clinical research.

Conception, conduct and coordination

The ZKS Tübingen supports and coordinates the clinical trial centers and physicians at UKT, as well as other clinics, study groups and medical professional societies in the design and conduct of clinical trials. For the pharmaceutical industry and contract research organizations (CROs), the ZKS Tübingen serves as mediator and coordinator for medical research projects.

ZKS Tübingen Hotline

Questions about clinical studies at Tübingen University Hospital (UKT)?
Contact our Hotline:
Tel. +49 7071 29 85635
E-Mail
Useful hints

- Read the requirements carefully (prerequisites and formatting instructions)!
- Working plan (work packages and schedule)
- Justify the requested funding (especially the personnel costs being requested)
- Qualifying concept of the institute
Good Luck!

.... and many thanks for Your attention!