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Guidelines for Applicants

Important Deadlines

Submission of pre-proposals: 18 February 2025 at 14:00 (CET)

Submission of invited full-proposals: 17 June 2025 at 14:00 (CEST)

Link to the electronic proposal submission tool:

<https://ptoutline.eu/app/eppermed2025>

For further information, please visit our website: www.eppermed.eu

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1 Background

The **European Partnership for Personalised Medicine, EP PerMed**, is a platform for joint programming of national and European regional research and innovation (R&I) programmes putting into action “The Strategic Research & Innovation Agenda (SRIA) for Personalised Medicine (2023)”¹, **SRIA for PM (2023)**, through dedicated research, development and innovation funding. The funding of transnational collaborative research is a joint activity to further enhance the cooperation between stakeholders across Europe and beyond to maximise the benefits of personalised medicine (PM) approaches and thus pooling resources and achieving investments of scale in this field.

To align regional and national research strategies and funding activities, promote excellence, reinforce the competitiveness of European players in PM research – while fostering EU cooperation – and enhance European collaboration with non-EU countries, 35 funding organisations have agreed to launch this Joint Transnational Call (JTC) 2025 for collaborative innovative research projects in PM cofunded by the European Union. The funding organisations participating in this call particularly wish to promote innovative, interdisciplinary collaboration and to encourage translational research proposals.

The JTC2025 funds research projects in human health on pharmacogenomic strategies for PM approaches that address one or more of the following aspects:

- identification of new pharmacogenomic markers or signatures using (multi)-omics data in relation to drug or drug combination.
- validation of a pharmacogenomic marker or signatures using (multi)-omics data in predicting drug or drug combination outcomes.
- use pharmaco-omics strategies to determine the right dosage, the efficacy of treatments and/or the risk of adverse drug response and non-response to treatment to tailor personalised treatment pathways, including combined treatments (multi-medication).

Projects are encouraged to combine the following aspects in their research: 1) -omics data, 2) information regarding patient medication (prescription and non-prescription), dose or compliance; 3) information regarding clinical and environmental factors that are known to impact medication efficacy and adverse effects; and 4) information regarding medication efficacy, adverse effects and patient reported outcomes (PRO).

The rationale and aim of the JTC2025 are outlined in detail in the call text.

2 Application

Research project consortia who intend to submit a transnational proposal should register at <https://ptoutline.eu/app/eppermed2025>, click on “**sign up**” and follow the further instructions. To register, please complete the different sections as soon as possible.

¹ <https://www.eppermed.eu/action-areas/sria/>

3 Proposal submission

Please read carefully the call text including the relevant central eligibility criteria and the regional/national eligibility and budgetary criteria (as outlined in the annexes of this document) before starting your proposal in order to check if you will fulfil the call's formal requirements.

There will be a two-step submission and evaluation procedure for joint applications consisting of a pre-proposal and a full-proposal stage. In both stages, one joint proposal (in English) shall be prepared by the partners of a joint transnational consortium, and must be submitted by only one spokesperson, the coordinator, by uploading it on the electronic submission system: <https://ptoutline.eu/app/ep-permed2025>.

Joint proposals consist of two parts: 1) The pre- and full-proposal templates, provided in word format and allowing applicants to present mainly the description of the planned work, and 2) the electronic submission tool to provide particularly individual partner information and financial plans. Both parts should be completed jointly by all applying consortium partners and need to be started in due time.

Please use the pre-proposal template provided on the EP PerMed website (www.eppermed.eu) and the full-proposal form sent to coordinators by the Joint Call Secretariat in the second stage, complete all fields, and respect the format of each section. Only proposals using the official templates will be accepted. Please keep in mind that the templates provide indications for section limits. Thus, the proposal document must not be longer than the number of pages indicated in the proposal templates (DIN-A4, Segoe UI, size 10, single-spaced). In addition, the proposal, in a digitally signed PDF-Format file or with a scanned version of the original signature page, to be uploaded to the online tool, must not exceed 8 Megabytes. Proposals exceeding these limitations will be rejected by the online system.

Deadline to submit pre-proposals: **18 February 2025 (14:00, CET)**

Deadline to submit full-proposals: **17 June 2025 (14:00, CEST)**

After these deadlines, the electronic submission system will not accept proposals and it will not be possible to amend the proposal or to add further documents.

Please note: The online system may be overloaded on the day of the deadline. Therefore, it is recommended to complete the online forms and upload the proposal in proper time.

In case of inconsistencies between the information registered in the online submission tool and the information included in the PDF of this application form, the information registered in the submission tool shall prevail.

For applicants from some regions/countries it may be required to submit the proposal or other information, before the deadline of this call, directly to their relevant regional/national funding organisations. Therefore, applicants are strongly advised to verify the respective regional/country-specific funding organisation regulations and other specific information (see annex III of this document). For more details, applicants should also get in touch with the respective funding organisations contact persons (see annex I of this document). For central and additional information, please can contact the Joint Call Secretariat.

Please Note:

It is mandatory to meet the deadline and to follow the format of the proposal structure.

The Joint Call Secretariat will check the proposals submitted to ensure that they meet the call's formal criteria (e.g. date of submission; number of participating countries; eligibility of the coordinator; type of project partner; inclusion of all necessary information in English and appropriate limits on length). In parallel, the Joint Call Secretariat will forward the proposals to the relevant regional/national funding organisations that will perform a formal check of compliance with their respective eligibility criteria. Proposals not meeting the formal central or regional/national eligibility criteria will be rejected. Proposals passing both checks will be forwarded to independent international scientific experts for evaluation.

It is recommended for potential project consortium coordinators to read the EP PerMed funding organisations' eligibility criteria when looking for potential project consortium partners.

Bearing in mind that most of the management activities take up most of the coordinator's time and given the complexity of the research projects and the number of regions/countries usually involved, project coordinators are reminded of the importance of a well-designed and feasible work plan. Those actions will require that sufficient time is allocated to the project coordinator and also involved principle investigators even before the actual project starting date, e.g. for setting up the project consortium and recruiting the necessary personnel.

Project partners are strongly advised to read the eligibility criteria of their respective funding organisations (see annex III of this document) and other requirements, and to contact their respective funding agency prior to submitting the application (see also the call text and annex I of this document "List of Regional/National Contacts").

4 Eligible annexes in the pre- and full-proposal stage

The following annexes are eligible. It is indicated in brackets at which stage the documents have to be provided. All annexes are to be uploaded as separate files (not as annex to the proposal forms) via the electronic submission system:

- Annex 1 – Ethical self-assessment (**Mandatory**), at full-proposal stage – the template is provided with the full-proposal form;
- Annex 2 – Description of the clinical research/study (if any), at full-proposal stage – the template is provided with the full-proposal form;
- Annex 3 – Description of Animal Research Projects (if any), at full-proposal stage – the template is provided with the full-proposal form;
- Annex 4 – Letter of commitment for a project partner participating on own funds (if any; free format, at every stage; mandatory in the full-proposal stage);
- Annex 5 – Supporting letters (at every stage) or endorsement letters (at every stage) in free format (if any);
- Annex 6 – The patient's/citizen's involvement plan describing the activities and methodologies for the involvement and providing information about the organisation requesting funding

from EP PerMed (**mandatory at every stage** if funding is requested from EP PerMed, see also Annex II of this document, to clarify the eligibility of funds; the submission of this annex is highly recommended in all other cases, i.e. for consortia/proposals without a patient/citizen representing organisation requesting funding from EP PerMed).

5 Fostering multidisciplinary teams & intersectoral collaboration to support PM development

Despite recent progress in the PM field, many challenges remain. The development of PM approaches is complex, as several determinants are interlinked and many still not identified. It requires a truly cross-sectoral and multidisciplinary collaboration, including stakeholders from pre-clinical and clinical research, bioinformatics, Ethical, Legal and Social Aspects (ELSA) research, implementation research, health economics research, actors from the public and private sector, and end-users (or experts that can support research on the impact for end-users). Consortia funded in this EP PerMed call are required to be interdisciplinary and trans-sectoral. Research teams forming a consortium should include investigators from a broad range of relevant scientific disciplines, research fields or sectors, and bring together the necessary expertise to achieve the objectives as well as expected impact of the research proposed, i.e. (please note: comprehensive examples of research provided, but this call is not limited to those examples):

- **Pre-clinical research:** Efforts are needed to increase the understanding of the complexity of relevant disease pathogeneses and to support the identification of the most significant potential treatment strategies. In cases individual patients or a group of patients do not respond to standard of care therapies or show adverse effects, pre-clinical research can decipher the underlying mechanism and identify alternative treatment strategies.
- **Clinical research:** The translation of research from bench to bedside and a more circular approach to research and development is essential. This includes the progress of promising discoveries from academic research to the clinical research stage, further development into viable products by the private sector, and the implementation in healthcare. Furthermore, the active involvement of clinicians may support the question on clinical application, based on the knowledge of the problem to be solved in clinical practice. A two-way, preferably a circular/loop, interaction (e.g. Learning Health System) is required between pre-clinical and clinical research, and between academia, healthcare providers and other relevant actors, to achieve, 1) a more comprehensive and faster uptake of validated PM approaches following a clear medical need and aligned with patients preferences, and 2) a constantly revised, updated and learning loop where clinical outcomes are fed back into research to enable continuous improvement (optimise/revise existing, or trigger new PM approaches).
- **Bioinformatics or Health Informatics:** Bioinformatics/data research supports method and technology development, e.g. the development of multi-modal and AI-driven algorithms to predict medication efficacy and adverse effects. Developed approaches should have the potential to be translated to large cohorts, e.g. different age groups, genetic/omic backgrounds, including ethnic minorities, or different socio/economic conditions. The systematic integration

of different bioinformatics resources and tools (databases, algorithms, etc.), health related real-world data, big data and ICT (information and communications technology or technologies) solutions is essential for successful translation of PM research. PM approaches should support the easy flow, robust analysis, and interpretation of information about an individual, including clinical data, as well as non-clinical data. The inclusion of bioinformatics expertise in research projects supports the appropriate consideration of the above-mentioned aspects, as well as of data security, protection, and privacy. It also ensures interoperability, completeness and comparability of data. It fosters the development of good practices for data management and analyses in compliance with FAIR principles², General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR)³ and local legislation (see also section 8 of this document “Scientific Data Open Access Policy”) as well as development of core standards and joint working practices, or application of pre-existing standards for storage, accessibility, interoperability and reusability for samples and data.

- **ELSA research:** Interdisciplinary and co-developed research projects are essential (with experts in social sciences, patients, citizens and caregivers, etc.), to analyse and consider the societal impacts that may arise from PM research and the implementation of its outcomes. ELSA research, or implementation research, addresses societal and ethical issues of PM, e.g. developing methods for ethically dealing with personal data, fair and equal access to new or often expensive diagnostic tools or treatments for prevention and therapies, or availability of decision support tools for healthcare providers. This could include research aiming to avoid bias by automated decision supporting tools, research on suitable regulatory approaches for diagnostics and development of tailored treatments, as well as research on fundamental societal challenges and the integration of the patient’s and citizen’s needs, connected to autonomous, informed decision-making. It may also concern elaboration of adequate information to citizens/patients concerning the aim and methodology of PM, the specific benefits/risks of participating in PM research or clinical studies, the possibility to withdraw from participation, the donation of biological samples as well as the communication of results of research (scientifically valid and comprehensible for citizens/patients). Furthermore, research on strategies for incidental findings (both with and without clinical relevance and actionability) is needed. The integration of ELSA or implementation research in research projects will foster the implementation of PM and the acceptance by the end-users.
- **Health economics research:** The integration of health economics research allows consortia to develop new or evolve already existing health economic models to enable an effective early-prediction of cost-effectiveness or socioeconomic impact of tailor-made PM approaches and to facilitate therewith decisions on future implementation in healthcare. Health economic research focussing on the development of new methods, models and tools enables accurate health economic assessment of PM approaches by considering clinical outcomes, quality of life, patient preferences/needs, and socioeconomic contexts as well as healthcare settings. It

² findable, accessible, interoperable and reusable (FAIR): http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/data/ref/h2020/grants_manual/hi/oa_pilot/h2020-hi-oa-data-mgt_en.pdf

³ <https://gdpr-info.eu/>

should include all aspects supported by PM, as prevention, diagnostics and treatment, or the entire chain from complaint (appearance of a disease), diagnostics to treatment.

6 Patient and citizen involvement

Involving patients and citizens representatives in research projects from the onset can improve quality and relevance for example by:

- Providing a different and complementary perspective – consortia can benefit from the experiences of those who are using the service or living with a health condition;
- Encouraging the use of clear and accessible language, and content of information in documents provided to the wider public, e.g. avoid complex technical language and provide a glossary for the explanation of meanings;
- Helping to ensure that the methods proposed for the study are suitable and sensitive to the situations of potential research participants;
- Helping to ensure that the research considers outcomes that are important to the patients and the public;
- Helping to increase the participation/recruitment of potential participants in research by making the research more comprehensible and therefore acceptable;
- Helping to improve patient adherence to a therapy by identifying barriers to and strategies for medication adherence and predictors of compliance;
- Helping to ensure that research outcomes are shared and accessible to the public.

In addition, involving members of the public ensures that research considers broader principles of citizenship, accountability and transparency.

The involvement of patient/citizen organisations in research proposals submitted is part of the evaluation: *"1. Excellence: e. Quality of open science practices including sharing and management of research outputs (data management) and engagement of citizens, patients or patient representatives, civil society and other concerned stakeholders where appropriate; and 3. Quality and efficiency of the implementation: c. Interdisciplinary and intersectoral collaboration: coherent integration of suitable project partners (e.g. academia, clinical/public health sector, industry partner/SME, patient/citizen representing organisations) to successfully accomplish the proposed work, i.e. to identify, develop or implement personalised medicine approaches."*

As outlined in the call text, EP PerMed is financially supporting the involvement of patient/citizen organisations as full consortium partners. The funding is limited to a total of 50,000 € over 3 years and per project. For more information concerning the eligibility rules, please see Annex II of this document. The development of a patient/citizen involvement plan is **mandatory** in both stages if funding is requested from EP PerMed (to be uploaded electronically as annex 6; see also Annex II of this document).

7 Inclusion of sex, gender analysis or underrepresented populations

Applicants are strongly encouraged to integrate sex and gender considerations, as well as underrepresented populations (e.g. ethnic minorities), or underrepresented patient sub-groups, e.g. children or elderly, as well as social components, e.g. different economic, educational backgrounds, in proposals submitted to the **EP PerMed** call. This includes not only the **sex distribution of research teams and the distribution of roles in a consortium** (gender balance), but also the **inclusion of sex or gender analysis in the research *per-se*** (sex and gender dimension). This applies especially when patients are involved in the proposal. A project is considered relevant in this context when it concerns individuals or groups of people or when its findings may affect individuals or groups.

Specifically, for pharmacogenomic strategies that aim to improve the efficacy and potential of PM approaches, the sex and gender dimension as well as the consideration of diverse or underrepresented populations (e.g. validating of concepts in new populations or ethnically diverse populations) is of importance considering that its effect on the individual vulnerability (individual risk profile of toxicity and efficacy) is still rarely considered but might be very relevant in many cases.

Sex and gender represent key elements in research. In particular, gender equality shall be considered in two dimensions:

- Human resources: balance between women and men in the research teams;
- Research content: analysing and considering the differences between men/males and women/females in the research and innovation content of the projects.

The inclusion of gender or sex or underrepresented populations analysis is assessed in the evaluation of proposals and represents one evaluation sub-criterion in "*1. Excellence, c. c. Appropriate consideration of the gender dimension, underrepresented populations, or specific sub-groups in research and innovation content; d. Consideration of sex aspects and underrepresented populations in research teams, if applicable.*".

Applicants are encouraged to visit the following links and to complete the modules in order to increase the quality of their applications concerning the integration of sex and gender-based considerations:

- a) Canadian Institute of Health Research "Online Training Modules: Integrating Sex & Gender in Health Research": <http://www.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/e/49347.html>
- b) Gender Equality in Horizon Europe: https://research-and-innovation.ec.europa.eu/strategy/strategy-2020-2024/democracy-and-rights/gender-equality-research-and-innovation_en#gender-equality-in-horizon-europe

8 Scientific Data Open Access Policy

Applicants must clearly describe all tools, technologies, and digital supports to be used in the project, as well as the methodological approach. In addition, descriptions should be included of how data from different sources (such as different institutions) will be combined, how different data streams will be merged and how the primary outcomes will be meaningful across different institutions. Proposals

should explain how the data, tools, code or algorithms gathered, developed or used through the project will be maintained after the project end and would be available (findable, accessible, interoperable and re-usable) or communicated to the wider research community, during and after the end of the project period.

In addition, **EP PerMed** expects proposals to develop data management plans (DMPs) according to international state-of-the-art standards for data security [following the **FAIR principles**², the **General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR)**³ and in accordance with **Ethical principles**⁴ for data management]. The DMP represents an essential document for the implementation of the research, as it helps to define the responsibilities of research data management ahead of the start of the project. The consortia of projects selected for funding must submit a detailed DMP (template to be available: www.eppermed.eu). The project coordinator is responsible for sending the complete DMP to the JCS, no later than three months after the official start of the project and an updated DMP at the end of the project together with the final scientific report. Compliance with or updates of the DMP, must be reported in each annual scientific project progress report.

9 General Data protection regulation

The following Data Privacy Notice applies:

By applying to the call, applicants consent to the use, processing and retention of their data, in line with the above notice and for the purposes of:

- processing and evaluating the application where processing shall be lawful - only if and to the extent that - processing is necessary for the performance of a task carried out in the public interest or in the exercise of official authority vested in the controller;
- administering any subsequent funding award;
- managing the funding organisation's relationship with them;
- analysing and evaluating the call;
- reporting to the European Commission/ European Health and Digital Executive Agency (HaDEA) on the call;
- providing aggregate data to regional/national and European surveys and analyses;
- complying with audits that may be initiated by the funding organisations.

The members of the EP PerMed consortium may share an applicant's data with third parties (some of which may be based outside the European Economic Area) in relation to the above activities including evaluators, auditors and the European Commission (or its agencies).

The members of the EP PerMed consortium may link the data that applicants provide in the application with regional/national, bibliographic or external research funding data which is available through public subscription-based databases (e.g. Scopus, Web of Science, etc.) or other regional, national or open

⁴ https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/docs/2021-2027/common/guidance/how-to-complete-your-ethics-self-assessment_en.pdf
http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/data/ref/h2020/grants_manual/hi/ethics/h2020_hi_ethics-data-protection_en.pdf

datasets. The members of the EP PerMed consortium may also link the data that applicants provide in their application with future data that applicants provide as part of the ongoing management and reporting.

Data on funding organisations including contact details of Call Steering Committee⁵ (CSC) members are kept for the purpose of the call communication. The information will be published with prior consent of the respective management bodies.

10 Building your proposals

Please take note of the references below that could be helpful:

- Partnering options: The **partnering tool**, supported by EP PerMed, provides a platform for interested users to search for collaboration partners: <https://www.b2match.com/e/eppermed-partnering>
- European **Research Infrastructures/Platforms**:
 - Biobanking and Biomolecular Resources Research Infrastructure (BBMRI): <https://www.bbmri-eric.eu/>
 - The European Life Sciences Infrastructure for Biological Information (ELIXIR): <https://www.elixir-europe.org/personalised-medicine>
 - European Infrastructure for translational medicine (EATRIS): <http://eatris.eu/>
 - European Clinical Research Infrastructure Network (ECRIN): <http://www.ecrin.org/>
 - European High Capacity Screening Network (EU-Openscreen): <http://www.eu-openscreen.eu/>
 - European Infrastructure for Phenotyping, Archiving and Distribution of Mouse Models (INFRAFRONTIER): <https://www.infrafrontier.eu/>
 - Integrated Structural Biology Infrastructure for Europe (INSTRUCT): <http://www.structural-biology.eu/>
 - European Strategy Forum on Research Infrastructures (ESFRI): <https://www.esfri.eu/>
 - The European Intergovernmental Research Organisation forum (EIROforum): <https://www.eiroforum.org/about-eiroforum/>
 - Coordinated Research Infrastructures Building Enduring Life-science Services (CORBEL): <http://www.corbel-project.eu/services.html>
- Public engagement, open access, gender equality, science education, ethics and good governance should be considered. Please visit:

⁵ Call Steering Committee: comprises a single representative from each country's/region's funding organisation

- the **Responsible Research and Innovation** site of the European Commission: <https://rri-tools.eu/>
- The Societal Readiness Thinking Tool – Guide for the steps of including RRI in a project: <https://thinkingtool.eu/>
- EC Guide "How to complete your ethics self-assessment": https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/docs/2021-2027/common/guidance/how-to-complete-your-ethics-self-assessment_en.pdf
- Recommendations for patient engagement in research: <https://patient-engagement.eu/>
- Helpdesk for **Intellectual Property Rights** issues: <https://www.iprhelpdesk.eu/>
- Information about a **harmonised Data Access Agreement (hDAA)** for sharing and using controlled access data, can be found here (EU-STANDS4PM): https://www.eu-stands4pm.eu/data_access
- Support for the development of a **Data Management Plan** (see also section 8 of this document):

Proposals should explain how data gathered through their project would be available (findable, accessible, interoperable and re-usable) to the wider research community, even after the end of the project. In addition, EP PerMed expects funded projects to develop data management plans (DMPs) according to international state-of-the-art standards for data security (following the **FAIR principles², the General Data Protection Regulation³ and in accordance with ethical principles⁴ for data management**).

Publication of scientific outcomes of the project are subject to **open access** and budget should be allocated for this in the proposal budget plan.

Examples for guidelines:

- Science Europe:
https://www.scienceeurope.org/media/4brkxxe5/se_rdm_practical_guide_extended_final.pdf
<https://www.scienceeurope.org/media/411km040/se-rdm-template-3-researcher-guidance-for-data-management-plans.docx>
- Horizon 2020 FAIR Data Management Plan - Annex 1:
http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/data/ref/h2020/grants_manual/hi/oa_pilot/h2020-hi-oa-data-mgt_en.pdf
- The ELIXIR Research Data Management Kit (RDMkit): <https://rdmkit.elixir-europe.org/>

11 Annex I: List of National Contacts

<i>Name of participating organisation</i>	<i>Country/Region</i>	<i>Regional/National contact</i>
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Fund for Scientific Research – FNRS, (F.R.S.-FNRS)	Belgium (Wallonia-Brussels Federation)	Maxime Bonsir international@frs-fnrs.be Tel.: +32 2504 9236
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Research Council of Lithuania, (LMT)	Lithuania	Živilė Ruželė zivile.ruzele@lmt.lt Tel.: (+370) 676 14383

Name of participating organisation	Country/Region	Regional/National contact
Luxembourg National Research Fund, (FNR)	Luxembourg	Gideon Gießelmann gideon.giesselmann@fnr.lu Tel.: +352 691 362 805
The Research Council of Norway, (RCN)	Norway	Katrine Rolid karo@rcn.no Tel.: +47 415 48 328
National Centre for Research and Development, (NCBR)	Poland	Anna Stępień anna.stepien@ncbr.gov.pl Tel.: +48 22 39 07 210
Fundação para a Ciência e a Tecnologia, (FCT)	Portugal	Rita Cavaleiro Pedro Ferreira EPPerMed@fct.pt Tel.: +351 213 911 541 Tel.: +351 213 924 445
Vice-Presidency of Azores Regional Government, (VP-GRA)	Portugal (Azores)	Maria Vale Tel.: +351 296 308 922 Maria.LA.Vale@azores.gov.pt
Comissão de Coordenação e Desenvolvimento Regional do Centro, (CCDRC)	Portugal (Centro Region)	Sophie Patrício Dora Cabete ccdrc.projects@ccdrc.pt Tel.: +351 239400100
South African Medical Research Council, (SAMRC)	South Africa	Rizwana Mia Rizwana.Mia@mrc.ac.za Tel: +27 21 938 0984
National Institute of Health Carlos III, (ISCIII)	Spain	María Callejo Arranz mcallejo@isciii.es Tel.: +34918222503
Consejería de Salud y Consumo de la Junta de Andalucía, (CSCJA)	Spain (Andalusia)	Alicia Milano Curto ep.fps@juntadeandalucia.es
Health Department – Generalitat de Catalunya, (DS-CAT)	Spain (Catalonia)	Montserrat Llavayol peris@gencat.cat Tel.: +34 935566103
Government of Navarre, (CFN)	Spain (Navarre)	Javier Rodrigo Javier.rodrigo.aznarez@navarra.es Tel.: +34 848 42 76 69
Sweden's Innovation Agency, (VINNOVA)	Sweden	Malin Eklund Malin.eklund@Vinnova.se Tel.: +46 730 20 39 53 Casper Ullsten-Wahlund casper.ullsten-wahlund@vinnova.se Tel.: +46 8 473 32 06
The Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey, (TUBITAK)	Turkiye	N. Selcan TÜRKER selcan.turker@tubitak.gov.tr Tel.: +90 312 298 1760

12 Annex II. Guidelines for patient organisations or citizen organisations

DLR, Germany is responsible for administering centrally the financial support for patient organisations or citizen organisations requesting budget from EP PerMed in this call.

For applications including patient organisations or citizen organisations that apply for financial support from EP PerMed, the submission of annex 6, the patient/citizen involvement plan, is mandatory at every stage to clarify the eligibility of funds.

Funding Organisation	Deutsches Zentrum fuer Luft- und Raumfahrt e.V., (DLR) on behalf of EP PerMed
Country	Multinational - Financial support patient organisations or citizen organisations
Initial funding pre-commitment	1.500.000 €
Contact for the EP PerMed JTC2025	PerMed@dlr.de
Eligibility of an organisation to act as a partner in this call	Patient organisations or citizen organisations only. Definition of eligible organisations: Patient organisations or citizen organisations are defined as not-for-profit organisations, which are patient or citizen focused, and where patients and/or carers and/or family members of patients or representatives of citizens (e.g. communities, populations) represent a majority of members in governing bodies. These are: • Umbrella organisations (e.g. representing either European organisations and/or national umbrella organisations for patients or citizens); • European organisations representing patient or citizen communities (i.e. representing national organisations or individual patients or citizens); and • National organisations representing patient or citizen communities.
Additional eligibility criteria	Criteria to be fulfilled by patient organisations or citizen organisations: • Legitimacy: the organisation should be formally established and registered as a not-for-profit organisation in one of the EU Member States or Associated Countries. • Mission/objectives: the organisation shall have its mission/objectives clearly defined.

	• Structure: Includes in its governing structure a designated representative legally authorised to sign a contract with DLR on behalf of EP PerMed. • Accountability: • With proven activities such as patient/patient family/citizens support and/or advocacy activities and/or health research. • Can demonstrate that its account system is able to trace all costs related to the project and archive these costs for a duration of 5 years after the end of EP PerMed. • Transparency: • The organisation shall be financially independent, particularly from the private sector (max. 50% of funding from several companies) and disclose to EP PerMed its sources of funding both public and private by providing the name of the bodies and their individual financial contribution, both in absolute terms and in terms of overall percentage of the organisation budget. Any relationship with corporate sponsorship should be clear and transparent. This information shall be communicated to EP PerMed on an annual basis. The organisation should publish on its website the registered statutes, sources of funding, and information on their activities. To facilitate communication, a contact person shall be identified for each organisation.
Eligible costs	Max. 50.000 € per project (if more than one organisation representing patients or citizens is participating in one consortium the amount should be shared). The same organisation can max. participate in 3 applications submitted to the call. Expenses recognised as eligible are: personnel costs and operating expenses (travels, meeting, conference registration, etc.) but excluding office and IT equipment (workstation, mobile phone, tablets, etc.). Only staff costs are eligible, in proportion to the time spent on the project, with justification in the form of a time sheet. Operating expenses must be documented in the accounts. Expenditure on general, administrative and / or infrastructure costs is eligible respecting the maximum of 50.000 € total budget per project. All justifications and supporting documents are auditable by DLR or by any representative appointed by it during the project and a period of 5 years after the end of EP PerMed.
Funding of public-private partnerships allowed	Yes
Further guidance	For further information, applicants contact permed@dlr.de

13 Annex III: Information for applicants concerning regional/national eligibility criteria

Austria

Funding Organisation	Der Wissenschaftsfonds (FWF)/ Austrian Science Fund; www.fwf.ac.at
Initial funding pre-commitment	1.800.000 €
Regional/National contact for the EP PerMed JTC2025	Hannes Zwickl, Phone: +43 676 83487 8219, E-mail: hannes.zwickl@fwf.ac.at Heike Höller, Phone: +43 676 83487 8220, E-mail: heike.hoeller@fwf.ac.at
Eligible institutions	Individual researcher, working in any kind of non-profit organisation: e.g. University, University hospital, Non-university research institute Please refer also to the general FWF Funding Guidelines: Application guidelines Principal Investigator Project (PROFI mode) (fwf.ac.at)
Additional eligibility criteria	FWF Submission: In addition to the application to the call secretariat, pre-proposals must be submitted online to the FWF at https://elane.fwf.ac.at via the programme category "PIK – International Projects" (pre-proposal)". The deadline for Pre-proposal submission is February 19, 2025, 14:00, CET. For the full-proposal stage, applicants must choose the programme category "PIN – International Projects" The deadline for full-proposal submission is June 18, 2025, 14:00, CEST. Both steps are mandatory.
Eligible costs	For scientists funded by the FWF, the funding is limited to "project-specific costs, i.e. personnel and non-personnel costs that are essential to carry out the project and that go beyond the resources made available from the research institution's infrastructure, according to the general FWF Funding Guidelines published at Application guidelines Principal Investigator Project (PROFI mode) (fwf.ac.at)

	The FWF does not finance infrastructure or basic equipment at research institutions. No overhead allowed (according to national regulation, 5% general project costs are included). The current FWF salary scale (http://www.fwf.ac.at/en/research-funding/personnel-costs/) indicates the salaries that may be requested.
Funding of public-private partnerships allowed	Yes
Further guidance	

Belgium (Flanders, FWO)

Funding Organisation	The Research Foundation – Flanders, (FWO)
Initial funding pre-commitment	700.000 €
Regional/National contact for the EP PerMed JTC2025	Kristien Peeters (main contact and 'SBO'), Tel. +32 (0)2 550 15 95 Toon Monbaliu ('FO' funding channel), Tel. +32 (0)2 550 15 70 Email: europa@fwo.be
Eligible institutions	The FWO integrates two of its national/regional funding channels within this multilateral framework. The choice of FWO funding channel depends on the <u>type of project</u> the researchers from Flanders wish to undertake (i.e. more fundamental in nature vs. strong valorization potential). The scope and the eligibility of institutions and their researchers can be verified in the relevant chosen funding channel regulations, which can be consulted on the FWO website: - <u>FWO Research Projects (FO)</u> - <u>Strategic Basic Research (SBO)</u> or by contacting the FWO contact points mentioned above.
Additional eligibility criteria	!! IMPORTANT !! - o Applicants for FWO funding must submit a mandatory administrative application via the <u>FWO E-loket</u>. - For fundamental research projects (FO) select the application type: 'Research projects – European programme fundamental research'. - For strategic basic research projects (SBO) select the application type: 'Research projects – European programme strategic basic research'.

	In case the consortium includes more than one partner requesting funding from FWO, a <u>single online form</u> should be submitted by the main PI (promotor(-spokesperson)), through their personal 'e-loket', containing all relevant information for the different Flemish partners. The deadline to submit this administrative application to the FWO is identical to the deadline of the joint transnational call (pre-proposal stage). To ensure the eligibility of the proposal, it is recommended to consult the FWO administration at least one week in advance. <u>Failure to comply with these requirements can lead to ineligibility.</u> ○ Participation in this call does not interfere with the 'regular/national' project submission framework, and is consequently not taken into account for calculating the max. available number of new applications and running projects combined. However, researchers can only participate within 2 different international consortia in this call. ○ Projects aiming at the development of a spin-off company are not eligible in this context. ○ The project duration is limited to 36 months, which implies the funding has to be budgeted and spent accordingly. An automatic prolongation and using positive (financial) balances after the end date is not applicable in this framework. As such article 28 of the <u>FWO Research Projects</u> and article 14 of the <u>Strategic Basic Research (SBO)</u> regulations do not apply here. ○ The PI, for each of the participating institutions applying for FWO funds, must hold an appointment that fully covers the duration of the research project. Linked to the above, when it comes to the <u>FWO research project regulations (FO)</u>: article 10, §7 is not applicable in this call. I.e. supervisors (-spokespersons), or coordinators/consortium partners in this context, who are granted emeritus status during the calendar year of submission of the project application or during the duration of the project execution, are not eligible.
Eligible costs	○ The FWO commits 700.000 euro, which guarantees at least two funded projects. ○ The respective funding channel regulations apply (see links to national rules above). Both are capped at max. 350.000 euro per project/consortium (incl. overhead, for which the calculation method diverges per funding channel - see explanation below).

	○ For the overhead calculation, the fundamental (FO) and strategic research projects (SBO) use the same approach. A structural overhead rate should be applied on the project costs, with an overhead rate of 6% for 'FO projects', and a 17% overhead rate for 'SBO projects'. Some practical examples: ➤ <u>FO</u>: the sum of all costs (personnel, consumables, travel, subcontracting, etc.) amounts to 200.000 EUR, then the overhead will amount to 12.000 EUR (6% of 200.000 EUR) and the total requested cost is 212.000 EUR. This total requested cost may never exceed the max. available amount of 350.000 EUR. ➤ <u>SBO</u>: the sum of all costs (personnel, consumables, travel, subcontracting, etc.) amounts to 200.000 EUR, then the overhead will amount to 34.000 EUR (17% of 200.000 EUR) and the total requested cost is 234.000 EUR. This total requested cost may never exceed the max. available amount of 350.000 EUR. Overhead should be mentioned in the EP PerMed budget table, but it should <u>not</u> be inserted in the national/regional FWO pre-registration form on the <u>FWO E-loket</u> (see 'Additional eligibility criteria').
Funding of public-private partnerships allowed	Yes, an FWO-funded partner is allowed to enter a consortium that includes private partners. Note that private partners cannot be funded by FWO and should participate with own funding or request funding from another organisation participating in this call.
Further guidance	It is strongly advised to approach the FWO contact points ('NCPs') mentioned above, in order not to jeopardize any research projects/consortia. The FWO announcement for the EP PerMed call 2025 can be consulted on the <u>FWO website</u>.

Belgium (Wallonia-Brussels Federation)

Funding Organisation	Fund for Scientific Research – FNRS, (F.R.S.-FNRS)
Initial funding pre-commitment	300.000 €
Regional/National contact for the EP PerMed JTC2025	Mr. Maxime BONSIR Policy Officer International Affairs, Tel.: +32 2 504 9236, international@frs-fnrs.be
Eligible institutions	All eligibility rules and criteria can be found in the PINT-MULTI regulations .
Additional eligibility criteria	/
Eligible costs	All eligibility rules and criteria can be found in the PINT-MULTI regulations. • Please note that personnel costs (Article III.6) have an annual average cap of 80 000 € for this call. • For “overhead” costs: Operating expenses: up to 1% within the granted budget. This percentage should be included in the requested operating budget. Personnel: up to 2% outside of the granted budget. This percentage will be paid upon reimbursement of expenses to institutions by the F.R.S.-FNRS.
Funding of public-private partnerships allowed	Please note that the F.R.S.-FNRS only funds Basic research (low Technology Readiness Level) carried out in a research institution from the “Fédération Wallonie-Bruxelles”. The F.R.S.-FNRS will not fund industrial partners or any activity related to the private sector. Nevertheless, partners funded by the F.R.S.-FNRS can be in a consortium where there are also partners from the private sector.

Further guidance	Applicants to F.R.S.-FNRS funding must provide basic administrative data by submitting an administrative application on e-space within 5 working days after the general deadline of EP PerMed to be eligible. Please select the "PINT-MULTI" funding instrument when creating the administrative application. Proposals invited to the second stage will be able to complete the pre-proposal form and provide information for the full proposal upon validation by the F.R.S.-FNRS.
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Czech Republic

Funding Organisation	The Ministry of Health of the Czech Republic / Czech Health Research Council, (MZCR/AZVCR)
Initial funding pre-commitment	500.000 €
Regional/National contact for the EP PerMed JTC2025	Monika Kocmanova Coordinator on Health-related European Partnerships Phone: + 420 606 273 871 Email: monika.kocmanova@azvcr.cz
Eligible institutions	Research Organisations, Enterprises. All eligibility rules and criteria can be found on the Czech Health Research website (AZV ČR – Agentura pro zdravotnický výzkum České republiky (azvcr.cz)). It is recommended to contact the responsible person at the Czech Health Research Council (prior to submission regarding the eligibility criteria).
Additional eligibility criteria	Prior to submission of the pre-proposal to EP PerMed, Czech researchers need to submit to the Czech Health Research Council the following documents: 1. Sworn Statement 2. Sworn Statement of composition consortium 3. Application Form All these documents are available on the website at the Czech Health Research Council AZV ČR – Agentura pro zdravotnický výzkum České republiky (azvcr.cz). Prior to submission of the full proposal to EP PerMed, Czech researchers need to submit to the Czech Health Research Council the following documents: 1. Ethics documents (if required for the project proposal). More information is part of the document "Methodology for European Partnerships in Health" in the chapter 7.2.1 Eligibility requirements for applicants. 2. Updated budget table

	In case the projects of Czech participants are recommended for funding based on the results of the international evaluation and after the approval of the representatives of the funding authorities of the countries participating in the EP PerMed calls, the Ministry of Health of the Czech Republic / the Czech Health Research Council may ask the successful Czech participants to submit additional documents in order to issue a decision on the provision of purpose-special support according to the rules established by the Ministry of Health of the Czech Republic/ Czech Health Research Council.
Eligible costs	All eligibility of costs, types and their caps can be found on the Czech Health Research Council (<u>AZV ČR – Agentura pro zdravotnický výzkum České republiky (azvcr.cz)</u>). It is recommended to contact the responsible person at the Czech Health Research Council (prior to submission regarding the eligibility criteria).
Funding of public-private partnerships allowed	Yes; however, in the private sector, the support intensities for each category of Enterprise and for each category of research are different. More information is available in the national documents.
Further guidance	<u>AZV ČR – Agentura pro zdravotnický výzkum České republiky (azvcr.cz)</u>

Denmark

Funding Organisation	Innovation Fund Denmark, (IFD)
Initial funding pre-commitment	1.000.000 €
Regional/National contact for the EP PerMed JTC2025	Katrine Boeriis katrine.boeriis@innofond.dk Tel: +45 61 90 50 06 General contact: internationale@innofond.dk
Eligible institutions	All public and private organizations (for profit and not for-profit)
Additional eligibility criteria	Both a maximum funding amount and maximum funding rates apply. The maximum funding amount is 300.000 € per partner and (if there is more than one Danish partner) 500.000 € per project. Additionally, maximum funding rates apply according to IFD's Guidelines .
Eligible costs	• Salaries; • Equipment (equipment, materials, etc.); • Other project-related costs (events, transportation, travel, audit costs, etc.), • External services (consultancy costs, subcontracting or services); Overhead (for the applicable rate please refer to the IFD's Guidelines).
Funding of public-private partnerships allowed	Yes. IFD strongly encourages public-private partnerships, as well as other forms of cross-sectoral consortia.
Further guidance	Usually 2-4 weeks after the proposal submission deadline, Danish applicants will receive an invitation to upload the proposal to the e-grant system. Private companies will be requested further documentation, which can be found under Documents. Links

Guidelines: <https://innovationsfonden.dk/sites/default/files/2024-03/Guidelines%20International%20Collaborations%20March%201%202024.pdf>

Additional documents: <https://innovationsfonden.dk/da/p/internationale-samarbejder#accordion7240>

Estonia (MoSAE)

Funding Organisation	Estonian Ministry of Social Affairs, (MoSAE)
Initial funding pre-commitment	150.000 €
Regional/National contact for the EP PerMed JTC2025	Mari Teesalu Scientific Advisor in Health Policy Mail: Mari.teesalu@sm.ee Tel. : +372 5916 2047
Eligible institutions	The Host Institution may be any legal entity that is registered and located in Estonia and has an Estonian bank account. If the Host Institution is a for-profit institution, the State aid and de minimis aid regulations must be taken into account.
Additional eligibility criteria	The Principal Investigator: 1. must have an updated public profile in the Estonian Research Information System (ETIS) by the submission deadline; 2. must hold a doctoral degree or an equivalent qualification. The degree must be awarded by the submission deadline of the grant application at the latest; 3. must have published at least three articles that comply with the requirements of Clause 1.1 of the ETIS classification of publications, or at least five articles that comply with the requirements of Clauses 1.1, 1.2, 2.1 or 3.1, within the last five calendar years prior to the proposal submission deadline.¹ International patents are equalled with publications specified under Clause 1.1. A monograph (ETIS Clause 2.1) is equalled with three publications specified in Clause 1.1 if the number of authors is three or fewer. If the applicant has been on pregnancy and maternity or parental leave or performed compulsory service in the Defence Forces, or has another good reason, they can request the publication period requirement to be extended by the relevant period of time. If the Principal Investigator has received the PhD degree outside Estonia, its correspondence to an Estonian doctoral degree must be recognised by either the Estonian ENIC-NARIC Center or the Host Institution in accordance

	with the Regulation of the Government of the Republic of April 6, 2006, No. 89 "Evaluation and academic recognition of documents proving foreign education and the name of the qualification awarded in the foreign education system terms and conditions of use". The Funding Organisation may ask for a relevant Evaluation Report. If several Estonian institutions participate in a proposal, all institutions must have a Principal Investigator who meets the national eligibility requirements. If human research or animal testing are intended in the project, a positive resolution by the Human Research Ethics Committee or the Authorisation Committee for Animal Experiments must be submitted to the Funding Organisation by the start of the relevant activities.
Eligible costs	Direct costs: 1. Personnel costs are monthly salaries (along with all state taxes, contributions, and compensations arising from law) of the project participants, calculated according to their commitment and in proportion to their total workload at their Host Institution. 2. Other direct costs are: - travel costs that may cover expenses for transport, accommodation, daily allowances and travel Insurance only for travels abroad; - where the project is funded from the European Regional Development Fund (Mobilitas 3.0) resources, travel and accommodation costs are eligible only for travels abroad; - consumables and minor equipment directly and fully related to the project; - publication and dissemination of project results; - organising meetings, seminars or conferences (e.g. room rent, catering, equipment rental and related costs); - fees for participating in scientific forums, conferences and other events directly and fully related to the project; - patent costs; - all other costs that are identifiable as clearly required for carrying out the project (e.g. translation, copy editing, webpage hosting, etc.) and are directly and fully related to the project. 3. Indirect costs (overhead) are costs that cannot be identified as specific costs directly linked to the performance of the action and/or should cover the general expenses of the Host Institution related to the

	management of the grant. Office consumables and costs for equipment and services intended for general use (e.g., phone bills, copy service, printer) should be covered from the indirect costs. Indirect costs are 15% of the personnel costs. 4. Subcontracting costs are direct costs. Subcontracting costs should cover only additional or complementary research related tasks (e.g. analyses, conducting surveys, building a prototype, etc.) performed by third parties. Subcontracting costs should not be included in the overhead calculation. The activities and budget should be described in the proposal. Core project tasks should not be subcontracted. Subcontracting costs may not exceed 15% of the total costs. 5. Double funding of activities <u>is not acceptable</u>. 6. If several Estonian institutions participate in one proposal, the sum of their requested budgets may not exceed the maximum contribution of the respective national Funding Organisation indicated in the call documents. EU Regulations on State aid and de minimis aid must be taken into account when requesting funding.
Funding of public-private partnerships allowed	Yes
Further guidance	

Estonia (ETAG)

Funding Organisation	Estonian Research Council, (ETAG)
Initial funding pre-commitment	300.000 € max. 150.000 € as a project partner and max. 300.000 € as a project coordinator
Regional/National contact for the EP PerMed JTC2025	Margit Suuroja Margit.Suuroja@etag.ee Tel.: +372 731 7360 Argo Soon Argo.soon@etag.ee Tel.: +372 515 3424
Eligible institutions	The Host Institution may be any legal entity that is registered and located in Estonia and has an Estonian bank account. If the Host Institution is a for-profit institution, the State aid and de minimis aid regulations must be taken into account.
Additional eligibility criteria	The Principal Investigator: 1. must have an updated public profile in the Estonian Research Information System (ETIS) by the submission deadline; 2. must hold a doctoral degree or an equivalent qualification. The degree must be awarded by the submission deadline of the grant application at the latest; 3. must have published at least three articles that comply with the requirements of Clause 1.1 of the ETIS classification of publications, or at least five articles that comply with the requirements of Clauses 1.1, 1.2, 2.1 or 3.1, within the last five calendar years prior to the proposal submission deadline.¹ International patents are equalled with publications specified under Clause 1.1. A monograph (ETIS Clause 2.1) is equalled with three publications specified in Clause 1.1 if the number of authors is three or fewer. If the applicant has been on pregnancy and maternity or parental leave or performed compulsory service in the Defence Forces, or has

	another good reason, they can request the publication period requirement to be extended by the relevant period of time. If the Principal Investigator has received the PhD degree outside Estonia, its correspondence to an Estonian doctoral degree must be recognised by either the Estonian ENIC-NARIC Center or the Host Institution in accordance with the Regulation of the Government of the Republic of April 6, 2006, No. 89 "Evaluation and academic recognition of documents proving foreign education and the name of the qualification awarded in the foreign education system terms and conditions of use". The Funding Organisation may ask for a relevant Evaluation Report. If several Estonian institutions participate in a proposal, all institutions must have a Principal Investigator who meets the national eligibility requirements. If human research or animal testing are intended in the project, a positive resolution by the Human Research Ethics Committee or the Authorisation Committee for Animal Experiments must be submitted to the Funding Organisation by the start of the relevant activities.
Eligible costs	Direct costs: 1. Personnel costs are monthly salaries (along with all state taxes, contributions, and compensations arising from law) of the project participants, calculated according to their commitment and in proportion to their total workload at their Host Institution. 2. Other direct costs are: - travel costs that may cover expenses for transport, accommodation, daily allowances and travel Insurance only for travels abroad; - where the project is funded from the European Regional Development Fund (Mobilitas 3.0) resources, travel and accommodation costs are eligible only for travels abroad; - consumables and minor equipment directly and fully related to the project; - publication and dissemination of project results; - organising meetings, seminars or conferences (e.g. room rent, catering, equipment rental and related costs); - fees for participating in scientific forums, conferences and other events directly and fully related to the project; - patent costs;

	- all other costs that are identifiable as clearly required for carrying out the project (e.g. translation, copy editing, webpage hosting, etc.) and are directly and fully related to the project. 3. Indirect costs (overhead) are costs that cannot be identified as specific costs directly linked to the performance of the action and/or should cover the general expenses of the Host Institution related to the management of the grant. Office consumables and costs for equipment and services intended for general use (e.g., phone bills, copy service, printer) should be covered from the indirect costs. Indirect costs are 15% of the personnel costs. 4. Subcontracting costs are direct costs. Subcontracting costs should cover only additional or complementary research related tasks (e.g. analyses, conducting surveys, building a prototype, etc.) performed by third parties. Subcontracting costs should not be included in the overhead calculation. The activities and budget should be described in the proposal. Core project tasks should not be subcontracted. Subcontracting costs may not exceed 15% of the total costs. 5. Double funding of activities is not acceptable. 6. If several Estonian institutions participate in one proposal, the sum of their requested budgets may not exceed the maximum contribution of the respective national Funding Organisation indicated in the call documents. EU Regulations on State aid and de minimis aid must be taken into account when requesting funding.
Funding of public-private partnerships allowed	Yes
Further guidance	https://etq.ee/wp-content/uploads/2022/07/Vastavusnouded-RV-uhiskonkurssidel_2024.pdf

Finland

Funding Organisation	Innovaatorahoituskeskus Business Finland, (BFRK)
Initial funding pre-commitment	3.000.000 €
Regional/National contact for the EP PerMed JTC2025	Norma Jäppinen, norma.jappinen@businessfinland.fi Matti Hiltunen, matti.hiltunen@businessfinland.fi
Eligible institutions	Companies, research organisations
Additional eligibility criteria	<u>Funding terms and conditions - Business Finland</u>
Eligible costs	For companies: <u>Funding for companies' R&D activities (businessfinland.fi)</u> For research organisations: <u>Public research funding (businessfinland.fi)</u>
Funding of public-private partnerships allowed	Yes
Further guidance	Funding is intended to companies' and research organisations' R&D projects, including joint ones between them, which fulfil both the EP PerMed and Business Finland criteria. Business Finland requires a national application at the same time with the EP PerMed full application.

France

Funding Organisation	Agence Nationale de la Recherche, (ANR) – https://anr.fr/
Initial funding pre-commitment	3.500.000 € Anticipated number of funded research groups: ~13
Regional/National contact for the EP PerMed JTC2025	Monika Frenzel Mylène Vaillancourt Tel: (+33) (0) 1 73 54 83 32 EPPerMed@agencerecherche.fr
Eligible institutions	Eligible institutions: ANR may fund research organisations and undertakings, as defined by the EC regulation on State aid for research, development and innovation (see the ANR funding regulations for further reference). As for research organisations, only those that have their primary establishment in France may be funded. As for undertakings, those that have their real head office in an EU member State and having an establishment (primary or secondary) in France may be funded. Within this framework, public research institutions (such as EPST, EPIC, Universities, University hospitals) as well as foundations can apply, in general for up to 100% of direct costs. This list is not comprehensive and funding rates vary. Enterprises may also be eligible: Funding rates vary based on the types of research and types of enterprises. For fundamental research, maximum funding rates are: 45% of total costs for SMEs, 30% for larger companies. Please note that companies with economic difficulties cannot receive ANR subventions. Please consult https://anr.fr/fr/rf/ for full details. Private partners are asked to indicate their SIRET number in the pre- and full-proposal template (partner description: "Project Consortium", "Other information").

Additional eligibility criteria	- ANR does not allow double applications nor provide double funding to finance projects or part of projects that have been funded through other national and international calls. ANR will cross-check the proposals submitted to ensure they have not been submitted to the ANR through other calls. - Large clinical trials are not funded by ANR. - Countries subject to sanction(s) by the European Union authorities are excluded from this call. At the time of publication, these countries include the following: Belarus, Russia. This list is subject to change in the event of new sanctions decided by the European Union. If entities from these countries are Partners in an application in which some Partners request ANR support, the latter will be deemed ineligible by ANR.
Eligible costs	Eligible costs and rates of funding depend on the type of partners. Among others, eligible costs may include the following: personnel costs; equipment costs; consumables and animal costs; travel and subsistence costs; sub-contracting costs, if necessary, to carry out the proposed activities (sub-contracting costs max. 50% of requested budget per partner). For public research organisations, only personnel costs of fixed-term contracts are eligible (except for an EPIC in partnership with an enterprise). The ANR heading for «overheads» in the ANR financial regulations is « frais d'environnement ». 13,5% of the total eligible costs must be applied for if the partner is a public research organisation (or other organisation funded at "marginal" costs), or up to 68% of the total personnel costs and up to 7% of other costs for partners funded at full economic cost (such as enterprises). Please refer to ANR's financial regulations ("Règlement financier" ANR: https://anr.fr/fr/rf/) for full details. ANR has a maximum funding per partner for this call: a research team can be funded with a maximum amount of 330 000 € for a coordinating Partner and 280 000 € for a simple partner. There is a minimum amount per partner: 15 000 €.
Funding of public-private partnerships allowed	Yes
Further guidance	Plan d'Action 2025: https://anr.fr/fr/plan-daction-2025/ Règlement financier: https://anr.fr/fr/rf/ ACCESS TO GENETIC RESOURCES AND BENEFIT-SHARING: Funded teams participating in projects falling within the scope of the regulations on access to genetic resources and benefit-sharing will be required to provide evidence to demonstrate compliance with these obligations and must ensure that all data relating to such genetic resources or associated traditional knowledge are kept in order to demonstrate that the necessary due diligence has been exercised.

	In case of a conflict of interpretation between the terms and conditions stated in this annex and the " <i>Modalités de participation</i> " and " <i>Règlement financier</i> ", the latter shall prevail.
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Germany (BMBF)

Funding Organisation	German Federal Ministry of Education and Research, (BMBF) www.gesundheitsforschung-bmbf.de
Initial funding pre-commitment	3.000.000 € in total. Anticipated number of funded research groups: 10
Regional/National contact for the EP PerMed JTC2025	Deutsches Zentrum für Luft- und Raumfahrt e.V. (DLR) – DLR Projektträger (DLR-PT for BMBF) Division Health Heinrich-Konen-Straße 1 53227 Bonn, Germany Dr. Ute Preuss and Dr. Jacqueline Kalb +49 (0) 228 3821 2211 PerMed@dlr.de
Eligible institutions	Legal bodies: • Universities (incl. university hospitals) • Clinical and public health institutions • Non-university research institutions • Commercial enterprises and industry Note: Commercial enterprises and industry are funded according to article 25 AGVO for research and development projects. Patient organisations are not eligible to apply for funding in the JTC2025.
Additional eligibility criteria	Within one consortium, no more than one partner can apply for BMBF funding. For BMBF applicants the number of applications per principal investigator from academia or research institutions and from the clinical/public health sector is limited to one. For applicants from industry (including SMEs) the number of applications is limited to one per organisation. The work package on implementation research, including work in the field of health informatics, ELSA research or health economics research, is not eligible for funding for BMBF-funded project partners.

	The maximum amount of budget that can be requested by each applicant applying for BMBF funding is 300.000 € (including "Projektpauschale" if applicable). Please note that country specific requirements might apply to this call. For further information follow the links below or contact the national representative. See also the German version of the call published on https://www.gesundheitsforschung-bmbf.de/de/18105.php.
Eligible costs	Personnel Consumables Subcontracts Equipment Travel Other costs Overheads ("Gemeinkosten" - applicable e.g. for Helmholtz-Centres and Fraunhofer-Society - as well as "Projektpauschale" - applicable for universities and university hospitals.)
Funding of public-private partnerships allowed	Yes
Further guidance	For further information on the "Projektpauschale" please refer to "BMBF Formularschrank": https://foerderportal.bund.de/easy/easy_index.php?auswahl=easy_formulare&formularschrank=bmbf#t1

Germany (BMG)

Funding Organisation	Federal Ministry of Health, Germany (BMG)
Initial funding pre-commitment	2.000.000 €
Regional/National contact for the EP PerMed JTC2025	DLR Projektträger (DLR-PT, for BMG) Health Research Heinrich-Konen-Straße 1 53227 Bonn Germany Dr. Fabian Gondorf Dr. Joachim Burbiel +49 (0) 228 3821 2211 PerMed@dlr.de
Eligible institutions	Legal bodies: • Universities • University hospitals • Non-university research institutes • Commercial enterprises and industry • Patient organisations Only one German partner per project will be funded by BMG.
Additional eligibility criteria	The maximum amount of budget that can be requested by each applicant applying for BMG funding is 300,000 €.
Eligible costs	All necessary project-related costs. For example: • Personnel (to the extent employed on the project)

	• Consumables (including room rental) • Instrument and Equipment costs • Printed matter, office supplies, postal charges and telecommunications • Other administrative expenditure (e.g. project related administrative costs) • Travel (according to the German Federal Travel Expenses Law) • Subcontracts • Other operating expenditure (e.g. patenting and licensing costs, publication costs) Only project-specific costs can be funded, that is, personnel, material costs etc. required in order to carry out the project. Every BMG-funded partner has to contribute at least 10% of the total project costs from own funds, e.g. personnel capacity from permanent staff or infrastructure costs.
Funding of public-private partnerships allowed	Yes
Further guidance	Please note that country specific requirements might apply to this call. For further information follow the links below or contact the national representative. See also the German version of the call published at https://www.service.bund.de/IMPORTE/Ausschreibungen/editor/Bundesministerium-fuer-Gesundheit/2025/01/5871437.html?nn=4641474

Germany (Saxony)

Funding Organisation	Saxon State Ministry for Science, Culture and Tourism, (SMWK)
Initial funding pre-commitment	2.000.000 € (conditional the availability of budget funds)
Regional/National contact for the EP PerMed JTC2025	Gabriele Süptitz, gabriele.sueptitz@smwk.sachsen.de Tel. +49 351 564 64210 Caroline Karapanos caroline.karapanos@smwk.sachsen.de Tel. +49 351 5646 4220
Eligible institutions	Only Saxon enterprises are eligible, participation of at least one Saxon SME required Universities and research organisations could participate as subcontractors of Saxon enterprises (until 50% of total costs) (see FRL EFRE/JTF Technologieförderung 2021 bis 2027)
Additional eligibility criteria	No thematic restrictions; Saxony will support projects within the entire scientific scope outlined in the Call Announcement. For Saxon enterprises including SME only project parts with "industrial research" or "experimental development" above TRL 4 are eligible for funding. Project has to be finished until July 2028. Other eligible criteria: see FRL EFRE/JTF Technologieförderung 2021 bis 2027
Eligible costs	see FRL EFRE/JTF Technologieförderung 2021 bis 2027
Funding of public-private partnerships allowed	Yes

Further guidance

see [FRL EFRE/JTF Technologieförderung 2021 bis 2027](#)

Greece

Funding Organisation	General Secretariat for Research and Innovation, (GSRI)
Initial funding pre-commitment	1.000.000 €
Regional/National contact for the EP PerMed JTC2025	Foteini Karagkouni European Union and International Organisations Department Directorate of International Scientific and Technological Cooperation General Secretariat for Research and Innovation/GSRI Ministry of Development 14-18, Mesogeion Ave, 115 27 Athens Tel. no: +30 213 1300132 E-mail: f.karagkouni@gsrt.gr
Eligible institutions	GSRI potentially supports all private and public legal entities legally operating in Greece (not natural persons) namely: a) Research and knowledge-dissemination organizations (e.g. Higher-education Institutions or Research Centers/Institutes) b) Undertakings (a private and/or public sector unit, regardless of its legal status or size, engaged in economic activity) c) Other entities that will be considered as Research and knowledge-dissemination organizations, if respective requirements are met, or undertakings GSRI does not support individuals and individual enterprises. The following categories of undertakings are also not eligible: • An “undertaking in difficulty” (according to art.2 of Reg. (EU) 651/2014, as amended by Reg.(EU) 2021/1237 & Reg.(EU) 2023/1315).

	An undertaking which is subject to an outstanding recovery order following a previous Commission decision declaring an aid illegal and incompatible with the internal market.
Additional eligibility criteria	A. GSRI potentially supports the following types of RTD, namely: industrial research, experimental development, feasibility studies, according to the provisions of Art. 25 of Commission Regulation (EU) 651/2014, as amended by Regulation (EU) 2021/1237 declaring certain categories of aid compatible with the internal market in application of Articles 107 and 108 of the Treaty). For SMEs funding for innovation activities (art. 28 of Reg. EU 651/2014, as amended by Reg.(EU) 2021/1237 & Reg.(EU) 2023/1315) may also be provided. B. Aid intensity Public research Institutes and Universities: the aid intensity can reach 100% for performing non-economic activities in accordance with point 19, article 2.1.1 of the «Framework for State aid for research and development and innovation» (2014/C 198/01). Maximum aid intensity for undertakings is calculated according to paragraphs 5,6,7 of article 25 and art. 28 of Reg. (EU) 651/2014, as amended by Reg.(EU) 2021/1237 & Reg.(EU) 2023/1315 (table 1): (a) 50% of the eligible costs for industrial research; (b) 25% of the eligible costs for experimental development; (c) 50% of the eligible costs for feasibility studies. - The aid intensities for industrial research and experimental development may be increased up to a maximum aid intensity of 80% of the eligible costs as follows: (a) by 10 percentage points for medium-sized enterprises and by 20 percentage points for small enterprises; (b) by 15 percentage points if one of the following conditions is fulfilled: (i) the project involves effective collaboration: — between undertakings among which at least one is an SME, or is carried out in at least two Member States, or in a Member State and in a Contracting Party of the EEA Agreement, and no single undertaking bears more than 70 % of the eligible costs, or — between an undertaking and one or more research and knowledge-dissemination organisations, where the latter bear at least 10 % of the eligible costs and have the right to publish their own research results; (ii) the results of the project are widely disseminated through conferences, publication, open access repositories, or free or open source software.

-The aid intensity for feasibility studies may be increased by 10 percentage points for medium-sized enterprises and by 20 percentage points for small enterprises.

Funding rates

Maximum funding percentages:

	Basic research	Industrial/Applied Research	Experimental development/innovation
Large Enterprises	-	50-65%	25-40%
Medium Enterprises	-	60-75%	35-50%
Small Enterprises	-	70-80%	45-60%
Universities, public research organisations	100%	-	-
Public authorities with R&D activities	100%	-	-
Associations without economic activities, NGOs	-	Large 50-65% Medium 60-75% Small 70-80%	Large 25-40% Medium 35-50% Small 45-60%

- C. With regard to clinical organizations in particular, in order to be eligible, they have to carry out research as one of their main objectives, according to the law or their statutes.
- D. Upper limit of the total public funding will be 180.000 € per project (including indirect costs). This amount can be increased to 230.000 € per project if the Greek partner assumes the project coordination. The maximum state aid intensity will be calculated according to the provisions of the European state aid rules and regulations in force (type of research activity, size of the participating enterprise, collaborative research etc).

	E. With regard to the evaluation of the projects, at national level, only eligibility check is conducted and not a full peer review at pre-proposal and full proposal stages. We rely on the evaluation made by the independent reviewers and the Peer Review Panel (PRP). A national procedure will follow for the approved for funding at the transnational level proposals only. For more information please contact the NCP. F. Duration of the projects: The duration of a funded project is 24- 36 months. A possible extension of the duration under conditions can be accepted maximum up to the 1/3 of the initial duration taking into account the starting date without modifying the scientific or increasing the financial part of the project and the prerequisites of the current Programme (e.g. closing date for financing the projects in national level).
Eligible costs	In compliance with the Commission Regulation (EU) No 651/2014 declaring certain categories of aid compatible with the internal market in application of Articles 107 and 108 of the Treaty, as amended by Regulation (EU) 2021/1237 of 23 July 2021, the eligible costs of research and development projects shall be allocated to a specific category of research and development and shall be the following: (a) personnel costs: researchers, technicians and other supporting staff to the extent employed on the project. (b) costs of instruments and equipment to the extent and for the period used for the project. Where such instruments and equipment are not used for their full life for the project, only the depreciation costs corresponding to the life of the project, as calculated on the basis of generally accepted accounting principles are considered as eligible. (c) costs of contractual research, knowledge and patents bought or licensed from outside sources at arm's length conditions, as well as costs of consultancy and equivalent services used exclusively for the project. (d) additional general costs and other operating expenses, including costs of materials, supplies, travel expenses, organization of meetings, dissemination/publicity costs, audit costs, incurred directly as a result of the project implementation. (e) indirect costs = flat rate of 25% of direct costs (except subcontracting costs). Indirect costs are eligible for all legal entities and include costs that do not incur directly as a result of the project implementation (e.g. administrative and management costs, utility costs)
Funding of public-private partnerships allowed	Yes, public & private collaboration is supported (for detailed information please consult national guidelines or contact the NCP)

Further guidance	• General Secretariat for Research and Innovation • COMMISSION REGULATION (EU) No 651/2014 • COMMISSION REGULATION (EU) 2021/1237 • COMMISSION REGULATION (EU) 2023/1315 The potent applicants are strongly advised to contact NCP for further clarification
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Hungary

Funding Organisation	National Research, Development and Innovation Office, (NKFIH)
Initial funding pre-commitment	500.000 €
Regional/National contact for the EP PerMed JTC2025	Zsuzsanna Kürti nemzetkozi@nkfi.gov.hu zsuzsanna.kurti@nkfi.gov.hu Tel.: +36 1 795 9500
Eligible institutions	Eligible applicants from Hungary are entities falling under any of the following GFO codes: • enterprise with legal entity • non-profit organisation with legal entity • budgetary units and entities (e.g. higher education institutions, municipalities;) • enterprise with a registered office in the European Economic Area and a branch in Hungary.
Additional eligibility criteria	We ask all Hungarian applicants to consult the Hungarian national call for information on eligibility.
Eligible costs	Please consult the Hungarian national call on the eligibility of specific cost categories: https://nkfi.gov.hu/palyazoknak/nkfi-alap/horizont-europa-europai-partnersegek-magyar-szervezetek-tamogatas-2024-121-he-partnerseg-palyazati-felhivas
Funding of public-private partnerships allowed	Yes
Further guidance	Hungarian national call on partnerships and related documents at https://nkfi.gov.hu/palyazoknak/nkfi-alap/horizont-europa-europai-partnersegek-magyar-szervezetek-tamogatas-2024-121-he-partnerseg-palyazati-felhivas

Iceland

Funding Organisation	The Icelandic Center for Research, (RANNIS)
Initial funding pre-commitment	300.000 €
Regional/National contact for the EP PerMed JTC2025	Helga Snævarr Kristjánsdóttir Helga.s.kristjansdottir@rannis.is
Eligible institutions	Universities and research institutions
Additional eligibility criteria	According to the Handbook of The Icelandic Research Fund (IRF) (see link below)
Eligible costs	According to the Handbook of The Icelandic Research Fund (IRF) (see link below)
Funding of public-private partnerships allowed	Yes
Further guidance	<u>https://www.rannis.is/media/rannsoknasjodur/IRF_Handbook.pdf</u>

Ireland

Funding Organisation	Taighde Éireann-Research Ireland, (TE-RI)
Initial funding pre-commitment	~400.000 €
Regional/National contact for the EP PerMed JTC2025	Emma McGrath, EU Programmes Officer Emma.mcgrath@researchireland.ie eu-cofund@researchireland.ie
Eligible institutions	Irish Host Research bodies eligible for Research Ireland funding. Please refer to Research Ireland's Policies and Guidance for the list of eligible Research Performing Organisations: <u>Eligibility Information</u>
Additional eligibility criteria	The Irish-based applicant must: - hold a PhD or equivalent qualification* for at least 3 years by the pre-proposal deadline. The official date is defined as the day, month and year that the degree was conferred i.e., the month and year printed on the official PhD certificate. * Please visit the <u>Research Ireland website</u> for further details on equivalence AND - be a member of the academic staff of an eligible Research Body (permanent or with an active contract that covers the period of the grant) OR - be a contract researcher with a contract that covers the period of the grant, who is recognised by the eligible Research Body as an independent investigator and will have an independent office and research space for which he/she will be fully responsible for at least the duration of the Research Ireland grant OR

	- be an individual who will be recognised by the eligible Research Body upon receipt of the grant as an academic staff or as a contract researcher as defined above. The applicant does not necessarily need to be employed by the Research Body at the time of the application submission. AND - be an author on at least three international peer-reviewed articles. Only original research publications, and not review articles or other secondary research literature, are acceptable. Please refer to the Research Ireland call webpage for more information on eligibility criteria. Please note that Research Ireland may contact applicants directly to confirm eligibility post submission.
Eligible costs	Funding is provided for up to 100% of eligible costs. The following indicates the maximum levels of funding that may be requested: Up to €330,000 direct costs for Irish-based researchers applying as a project partner. Up to €405,000 direct costs for Irish-based researchers applying as a project coordinator. <u>Eligible costs</u> 1. Salary-related costs for research personnel. Please use current Research Ireland Team Member Salary Scales. The Irish partner cannot request a salary. 2. Small equipment costs up to a maximum value of €10K 3. Travel costs with consideration for Research Ireland's Guidance for Sustainable Travel Policy 4. Direct running costs (materials and consumables) 5. Dissemination and knowledge exchange costs 6. Subcontracting costs are considered an eligible budget category however strong justification for subcontracting must be provided and pre-approved directly with Research Ireland in advance of proposal submission. 7. Overheads should be calculated as 30% of the direct costs, but excluding therefrom the cost of all equipment identified in the application Unless otherwise stated, all rules regarding listed eligible costs apply as defined within <u>Research Ireland's grant budget policy.</u>

	<u>Ineligible costs</u> Research Ireland will not provide a contribution towards the salary of the applicant, international co-applicants or collaborators. All additional ineligible costs apply as described in <u>Research Ireland's grant budget policy</u>. Please refer to the FAQs on the Research Ireland call webpage for more information on eligible costs.
Funding of public-private partnerships allowed	Research Ireland can fund successful applicants from eligible (public) research performing organisations only.
Further guidance	<u>Ethical policies:</u> Irish-based applicants should consult and adhere to <u>Research Ireland guidance on ethical and scientific issues</u> in the preparation of their proposal. Please note clinical trials and investigations are not eligible for funding by Research Ireland for the Irish-based applicant. Where clinical studies are proposed within the workplan of a proposal, study sites and the delineation of activities should be made clear. <u>State Aid:</u> Applicants are advised that funding awarded by Research Ireland under the European Partnership for Personalised Medicine (EP PerMed) Programme will be subject to, and must comply with, State aid rules and the conditions of the EU Commission General Block Exemption Regulation (GBER). Funding will be awarded to successful applicants under Article 25, in respect of aid for research and development projects. For further details please consult: <u>Taighde Éireann-Research Ireland Research and Innovation Scheme 2021-2026</u>

Israel

Funding Organisation	The Chief Scientist Office of the Ministry of Health, (CSO-MOH) http://www.health.gov.il/Subjects/research/International_cooperations/Pages/default.aspx
Initial funding pre-commitment	Up to 320.000 €
Regional/National contact for the EP PerMed JTC2025	Liron Even-Faitelson Liron.ef@moh.gov.il
Eligible institutions	Israeli universities, research centres and hospitals
Additional eligibility criteria	PI should hold a Ph.D., M.D., D.M.D. or equivalent degree and employed by an eligible institution. Research will not be funded simultaneously by CSO-MOH on more than one grant (European network or national). Researchers can not apply for more than one grant from any European network funded by CSO-MOH or submit more than one proposal for any single program.
Eligible costs	Personnel (students, technicians. applicants excluded); animals, materials and consumables; travel (up to 10%); overheads 10%. No computers and permanent equipment.
Funding of public-private partnerships allowed	Yes
Further guidance	Prior to submission, researchers must submit to CSO-MOH an abstract approved by their research authority including a detailed budget distribution. This is not the consortia abstract, but an abstract describing the activity of the Israeli researcher within the consortia and a budget table for the Israeli researcher. A template for the abstract can be found here . Lack of submission of an abstract can lead to disqualification of the whole application, as well as the consortium.

Bioethics approvals, if applicable, need to be submitted with the application or within 4 months following the approval of the application.

Please see detailed instruction at: [http://www.health.gov.il/Subjects/research/International cooperations/Pages/default.aspx](http://www.health.gov.il/Subjects/research/International_cooperations/Pages/default.aspx)

Italy (IT-MoH)

Funding Organisation	Italian Ministry of Health, (IT MoH)
Initial funding pre-commitment	2.000.000,00 € - Max. 400.000,00 € per project
Regional/National contact for the EP PerMed JTC2025	Maria Josefina Ruiz Alvarez – mj.ruizalvarez-esterno@sanita.it Chiara Ciccarelli – c.ciccarelli@sanita.it
Eligible institutions	Only IRCCS (Istituti di Ricovero e Cura a Carattere Scientifico) researchers are eligible to apply. Universities, other research Institutes, companies are not eligible.
Additional eligibility criteria	Simultaneous PI participation in different 2025 JTCs funded by the Ministry of Health is not allowed. No more than two Italian PIs (Principal Investigators) are eligible to apply for the same project. Italian PAOs can be funded as a sub-contractor of an IRCCS if they fulfil the eligibility criteria of the EC. The maximum amount eligible for a sub-contract is <10% of the total budget (from the IRCCS Budget). Italian PAOs can still participate in Consortia as "Collaborators" with their own funds.
Eligible costs	Direct Costs: • Personnel (only temporary contracts or permanent contracts for the amount of hours dedicated to the project, <60%); • Consumables/Supplies; • Animals/Model costs; • Equipment (only on leasing or rent); • Travel (<30%); • Dissemination activities (<1%); • Publication costs: <2%; open access <5%; • Patients recruitment costs; • IT Services and Data Bases;

	• Coordination costs Indirect Costs: • Overhead (<10%, included in the total); Other indirect costs are not eligible. Transfer of eligible funds abroad is not allowed. Subcontracts are allowed only upon approval, by presenting via Workflow – code ER, a request together with the National pre-eligibility form, the latest 20 days before the deadline of the pre-proposal submission.
Funding of public-private partnerships allowed	Yes
Further guidance	In order to expedite the eligibility check process, the Ministry of Health will grant an eligibility clearance to the applicant prior to the submission of the proposals. To this end, it is mandatory that the applicants fill out and return to the IT-MoH a pre-submission eligibility check form through their IRCCS, using WFR System-> ER communication code, before submitting their proposal to the Joint Call Secretariat. It is strongly recommended that the form, completed and duly signed, is returned at least 10 working days before the proposal submission deadline. Applicants will be sent written notification of their eligibility status. Changes in acronyms and budgets provided in the pre-submission eligibility check are not allowed. The pre-eligibility form can be downloaded here: https://www.salute.gov.it/imgs/C_17_pagineAree_4441_0_file.pdf Submission of annual scientific and financial reports at the national level will be required according to the rules of the Ministry of Health (Ricerca Finalizzata). Further information on the rules of the Ministry of Health can be requested to the national contact persons.

Italy (Lombardy)

Funding Organisation	Fondazione Regionale per la Ricerca Biomedica - Regional Foundation for Biomedical Research, (FRRB)
Initial funding pre-commitment	1.500.000,00 €
Regional/National contact for the EP PerMed JTC2025	Giulia Maria Rossignolo Piazza Città di Lombardia, 20124 – Milano, Italy Tel.: (+39) 02 67650159 bandi@frrb.it
Eligible institutions	MAXIMUM TWO PARTNERS from Lombardy PER PROJECT Eligible applicants: 1. Public or Private Italian IRCCS (Scientific Institutes for Health Research, Hospitalization and Health Care) 2. Public Health Care Providers (ASST) 3. Agenzie di Tutela della Salute (ATS) 4. Azienda Regionale Emergenza Urgenza (AREU) 5. Universities - only in partnership with one of the organizations above (1,2,3,4) located in Lombardy and requesting funding to FRRB 6. Research Institutes - only in in partnership with one of the organizations above (1,2,3,4) located in Lombardy and requesting funding to FRRB. Please note: All applicants must be located in Lombardy and their activities should take place in Lombardy. Enterprises and for-profit Organisations are NOT eligible
Additional eligibility criteria	According to internal procedures, Regional Foundation for Biomedical Research (FRRB) will grant an eligibility clearance to the potential applicants prior to the submission of the pre-proposals. This eligibility check will be based on the verification of a dedicated form ("Eligibility check form"), also available on the FRRB Call webpage, to be completed by the Principal Investigator at least 10 working days before the pre-proposal submission deadline. FRRB will provide feedback on the "Eligibility check form" ONLY in case of major non-eligibility issues. In addition, FRRB provides an excel sheet to help applicants abide by FRRB funding rules. This form is meant to support the PIs in the elaboration of the proposal budget, but it does not need to be sent to FRRB. A Principal Investigator (PI) cannot simultaneously hold more than one FRRB active grant.

	PIs who are currently FRRB grant holders cannot apply to the EP PERMED JCT2025 unless their project is closed before the deadline for EP PERMED JCT2025 pre-proposals. A project is considered closed when the final financial and scientific reports have been sent to FRRB. This rule applies only to PIs (grant holders), not to their team members.
Eligible costs	Direct costs: • Personnel (for public IRCCS and ASST, ATS and AREU, ONLY staff recruited specifically on the project). Personnel costs of PIs who have a permanent contract (contratto a tempo indeterminato) with their own organization are NOT eligible. • Consumables, animals purchase, maintenance and breeding. • Equipment (on hire or eligible amortization rate). • Travel: max 10% of the total direct costs (overheads and subcontracting costs excluded) • Publications (only Open Access): max 5% of the total direct costs (overheads and subcontracting costs excluded). • Other direct costs: please insert under this category any other costs, including those related to patient involvement (insurance, reimbursement, etc.). • Subcontracting: max 20% of the total direct costs (overheads costs excluded). Indirect costs: • Overheads: 20% flat rate calculated on direct costs (subcontracting costs excluded from this calculation). FRRB will require the submission of a financial audit certificate together with the final financial report. This cost, to be included under the "Subcontracting" category will be eligible up to a maximum of € 8.000. Only costs generated over the lifetime of the project will be considered eligible.
Funding of public-private partnerships allowed	Yes Please note: Enterprises and for profit Organisations are NOT allowed to request funding from FRRB.
Further guidance	FRRB will grant an eligibility clearance to the applicant prior to the submission of the proposals. To this end, it is mandatory that the applicants fill out and return to FRRB a pre-submission eligibility check form before submitting their proposal to the Joint Call Secretariat. It is strongly recommended that the form, completed and duly signed, is re-turned at least 10 working days before the proposal submission deadline. Applicants will not be sent written notification of their eligibility status. FRRB will provide feedback on the "Pre-eligibility check form" ONLY in case of major issues or non-eligibility.

Italy (Tuscany)

Funding Organisation	Tuscany Region, (RT)
Initial funding pre-commitment	Up to 300.000 € Anticipated number of potential project partner: 1-2 Max 0,3M€ per project, if 2 Tuscany partners in same consortium 0,3M€ will be shared
Regional/National contact for the EP PerMed JTC2025	Donatella Tanini Tel.: +39 055 4383256 Teresa Vieri Tel.: +39 055 4383289 Email: eppermed@regione.toscana.it
Eligible institutions	A. Authorities of the Tuscany Health Service-SST (Local Health Authorities, University Hospitals) and the SST bodies that carry out institutional research activities (Fondazione Toscana Gabriele Monasterio and ISPRO Institute for Study, Prevention and Networking Oncology) located in the territory of Tuscany. B. Universities and other research institutes located in the territory of Tuscany. NB: Institutions referring to point B are eligible only in partnership with institutions referring to point A. The Principal Investigator must be affiliated to one of the eligible bodies
Additional eligibility criteria	Tuscany Region will grant an eligibility clearance to the potential applicants prior to the submission of their pre-proposals. The eligibility check will be performed by Tuscany Region offices after receiving a dedicated form (available on Tuscany Region institutional web-site or on request to eppermed@regione.toscana.it) duly filled and signed by the Tuscan Principal Investigator and the legal representative of the applicant entity. The form should be sent to Tuscany Region (eppermed@regione.toscana.it), at least 10 days before the pre-proposal submission deadline.
Eligible costs	Only costs generated over the lifetime of the project will be considered eligible: - Personnel (ad hoc temporary contracts ONLY); - Consumables (no limit); - Equipment (on hire/leasing or eligible amortisation rate ONLY); - Travel (Up to 10% of the requested fund) Travel expenses and subsistence allowances associated with activities only linked to the project;

	- Other direct costs: - o dissemination of results (publications, organization of meetings/workshops etc.- up to 5% of the requested fund); - o patients costs - subcontracting (up to 20% of the direct costs of the projects) - Overheads (up to 10% of the direct costs of the project excepted subcontracting).
Funding of public-private partnerships allowed	Yes Please note that for private partners coming from the Tuscany Region, Tuscany Region is only providing funding to applicants from non for profit research organisations
Further guidance	Financial guidelines: Decreto dirigenziale n. 27322 del 20.12.2023 https://www301.regione.toscana.it/bancadati/atti/DettaglioAttiD.xml?codprat=2023AD00000030275

Latvia

Funding Organisation	Latvian Council of Science, (LZP)
Initial funding pre-commitment	600.000 €
Regional/National contact for the EP PerMed JTC2025	Maija Bundule E-mail: Maija.Bundule@lzp.gov.lv Tel: +371- 26514481 Uldis Berkis E-mail: Uldis.Berkis@lzp.gov.lv Tel.: +371-29472349
Eligible institutions	Only the following legal persons are eligible: 1) Research institutions registered in the Latvian Registry of Scientific Institutions, e.g. - Research Institutes - Universities And must have the status of Research and knowledge dissemination organization (Regulation EC 651/2014) 2) Business enterprises entered into the Latvian Commercial registry as companies, assumed they are eligible to do the specific research and have specific capacity and resources to do the research in Latvia and have their main activity in Latvia. Limitations of EU legislation apply (Regulation 651/2014) together with financial reporting requirements, in this case it is state aid. Two previous statements with sworn auditor's approval should be provided and they must reflect the correspondence to the regulation as well as prove the evidence of previous scientific activity and presence of capacity. Enterprises not having closed two annual financial periods are not eligible.
Additional eligibility criteria	Maximum funding allowed: 100.000 EUR per year per Latvian partner = grant of 0.3M for a 3-year project, 0.2M for a 2-year project

	Latvia allows max 2 Latvian partners per proposal, they must be fully independent on legal, financial and personnel basis Applicants for State aid must send before the call deadline (both 1st and 2nd stages) to the e-mail address lzp@lzp.gov.lv, stating the acronym and the title of the project, applicant name and registration number in Latvia, the following document: a certification that the applying legal person does not correspond to the criteria laid down in laws and regulations to be subject to insolvency proceedings at the request of the creditor. It must be electronically signed by valid legal representative (s). Upon request applicants for State aid must provide all requested documents to evaluate the financial situation and financial viability. Undertakings in difficulty are not eligible for funding. (Regulation 651/2014) In case of State aid the undertakings are assessed for eligibility at each of the application stages and at the conclusion and during execution of the contract with LCS for project funding. If the eligibility criteria are not fulfilled, project funding can not be approved or continued. Final audit according to the LCS regulations. LCS funds only research, no training nor implementation. LCS is not funding any activity beyond experimental development.
Eligible costs	Personnel costs incl. taxes; • Consumables, animals; • Subcontracts (up to 25% of direct costs), needs detailed justification, includes all external services, project core activities cannot be subcontracted; • Equipment (only depreciation costs during project directly attributable to project tasks); • Replaceable and fully consumable during project elements of equipment; • Travels (according to travel plan); Indirect costs (up to 25% of direct costs excluding subcontracting).
Funding of public-private partnerships allowed	Latvia can fund projects where eligible scientific institutions collaborate with eligible business enterprises. Latvia does not fund any kind of partnerships.
Further guidance	Support is provided according to Provisions Nr 259, 26.05.2015 of the Latvian Cabinet of Ministers http://likumi.lv/ta/id/274671-atbalsta-pieskirsanas-kartiba-dalibai-starptautiskas-sadarbibas-programmas-petniecibas-un-tehnologiju-joma

	These provisions should be respected without exceptions. The maximum rates should respect the Provisions. The requirements in the provisions to specific applicant groups must be respected. Annual financial and scientific reporting is mandatory. To receive funding by LCS, Consortium agreement duly signed should be presented. Application for the state aid must be submitted before the start of the project which is stated in the consortium agreement. Enterprises shall provide audited statements of 2 previous closed financial periods on request. Final audit according to the LCS regulations.
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Lithuania

Funding Organisation	Lietuvos mokslo taryba / Research Council of Lithuania, (LMT)
Initial funding pre-commitment	300.000 €
Regional/National contact for the EP PerMed JTC2025	Živilė Ruželė, Tel.: +37 067 614383 E-mail: zivile.ruzele@lmt.lt
Eligible institutions	Eligible for funding institutions are Lithuanian research and higher education institutions that are included in the Register of Education and Research institutions, public healthcare institutions, academy of science mentioned in the state Law on Science and Studies, other state public institutions such as National libraries, archives, museums. Eligible beneficiary institution (grant holder) manages the state budget funds allocated to the project following the rules stated in the legal acts, as well as representing the project partners (if applicable 'project partner' means public or private legal entity that, together with the eligible institution, created the conditions for project implementation).
Additional eligibility criteria	Principal Investigator must be a PhD holder. Principal investigators from Lithuania cannot be involved in more than 1 proposal submitted to this call. The beneficiary institution employs the principal investigator to work in the project and his workload must be at least 20 hours multiplied by the number of months to execute the project. Hourly rates approved by the Chairman of the Lithuanian Research Council must be applied for the personnel costs. All other general rules for competitive funding of Research Council of Lithuania apply: https://www.e-tar.lt/portal/lt/legalAct/0a8bead0577611e9975f9c35aedfe438/asr
Eligible costs	Within a single project proposal, the maximum funding can be: up to EUR 150 000 – for a mere consortium partner; up to EUR 200 000 – for a coordinator or 2 eligible mere partners in a consortium; up to EUR 250 000 – for a coordinator and 1 eligible mere partner in a consortium.

	Only costs generated during the lifetime of the project, related to project are eligible: staff, travel, consumables, subcontracts, contractual research, consultancy, equipment and instruments, dissemination of results, data handling and analysis, overheads (up to 20 % from direct costs).
Funding of public-private partnerships allowed	Any private or public entity can be a 'project partner' of the eligible beneficiary institution (see section Eligibility institutions). Those public entities receive funding through the grant holder.
Further guidance	The submission of the proposal at the national level is not needed. Only following funding decision, grant signing institution and the PI must complete and submit the national document (the template can be found following this link) containing this information: more detailed planned budget, foreseen dissemination and communication activities and expected outputs from project results with the granted research team contribution (scientific papers, patents, etc.) Midterm and final reports nationally are required.

Luxembourg

Funding Organisation	Luxembourg National Research Fund, (FNR)
Initial funding pre-commitment	Budget: 300.000 € Anticipated number of funded research groups: 1-2
Regional/National contact for the EP PerMed JTC2025	Gideon Gießelmann
Eligible institutions	Eligible institutions Universities, Research Institutions, other research actors under the conditions specified in the FNR eligibility rules (https://www.fnr.lu/fnr-beneficiaries/)
Additional eligibility criteria	Project duration: The maximum amount of requested funding per project is 300.000 EUR for a total period of three years. If the project involves the recruitment of a PhD student, the PhD candidate could be supported for up to four years (see FNR INTER guidelines). Eligibility of the proposal and applying candidates: All eligibility rules and criteria can be found in the FNR INTER guidelines. Only PIs who align with the FNR requirements for PIs and supervisors are eligible to apply. As a specific rule for this EP PerMed JTC2024 call, Luxembourg PIs are limited to submit one proposal per Luxembourg PI. Forms to be submitted: Proposals must be submitted by the coordinating institutions' administrations (not by the PI) in electronic format to the online submission system (FNR Grant Management System) the latest 7 days after the deadline as the consortium application is submitted. Please select the "INTER" – "EP PerMed" funding instrument when creating the administrative application. The FNR INTER guidelines provide details about the basic administrative data and the documents to be provided. General rules and regulations of FNR apply: https://www.fnr.lu/how-we-fund-research/
Eligible costs	Please refer to the FNR financial regulations for eligible costs.
Funding of public-private partnerships allowed	Yes (though the FNR cannot fund the private partner)

Further guidance

Applicants should contact the national contact point before application of a proposal.

Norway

Funding Organisation	The Research Council of Norway, (RCN), www.forskningsradet.no
Initial funding pre-commitment	1.500.000 €
Regional/National contact for the EP PerMed JTC2025	Katrine Rolid, The Research Council of Norway Tel.: (+47) 415 48 328 Email: karo@rcn.no Karianne Solaas, The Research Council of Norway Tel.: + (47) 945 35 380 Email: kso@rcn.no
Eligible institutions	Norwegian universities, university colleges, hospitals, independent research institutes, user organisations and other publicly funded research groups, and private industry. The Research Council cannot award support to an enterprise that is defined as an "undertaking in difficulty" under the state aid rules (see the "Definition of 'undertaking in difficulty'" on our website). "Enkeltpersonforetak", that is Norwegian companies with sole proprietorship, cannot participate as coordinator.
Additional eligibility criteria	Clinical research/trials and translational studies allowing rapid implementation into public health-related decisions or into the clinic are encouraged. SME or other industrial partner is funded with up to 50% of their eligible project costs (see details in the State Aid rules, Article 25). All applicants and partners must comply with the State Aid rules. All projects are to be carried out as effective collaboration between the partners. Undertakings (companies) that participate in the consortium must also not receive indirect state aid in the form of advantageous conditions for cooperation with the research institutions taking part in the consortium. Conditions for awarding state aid https://www.forskningsradet.no/en/state-aid/
Eligible costs	Payroll expenses, procurement of R&D services, consumables, network measures. Please follow the RCN research project budget rules in the following link: https://www.forskningsradet.no/en/financing/how/budget/

	However, PhD fellowships are not eligible within the RCN funding, and if a postdoc fellowship, it must be sought for 3 years. For funded projects, the contractual budget will be in NOK using the exchange rate from the pre-proposal deadline. The official exchange rate (European Central Bank) can be found here <u>Norwegian krone (NOK)</u> . Depending on the volume of submitted and eligible projects, up to 25% additional funding may be allocated to the call to fund additional projects on the ranking list.
Funding of public-private partnerships allowed	Yes
Further guidance	The Norwegian part of one project may apply 0.2-0.3 Mio € for a three-year project. However, if the Norwegian partner is the project coordinator, a maximum of 0.4 Mio € may be applied for a three-year project. If two Norwegian partners apply for funding in the same project, the Norwegian partners must share the total amount.

Poland

Funding Organisation	Narodowe Centrum Badan i Rozwoju/ National Centre for Research and Development, (NCBR), www.ncbr.gov.pl
Initial funding pre-commitment	1 300 000 EUR
Regional/National contact for the EP PerMed JTC2025	Anna Stępień anna.stepien@ncbr.gov.pl Tel.: +48 22 39 07 210
Eligible institutions	Following entities are eligible to apply: • Enterprises - SME and Large⁶, • Research organisation⁷ (research and knowledge-dissemination organisation), • Group of enterprises composed of two enterprises, • Group of entities composed of one research organisation and one enterprise, • Group of entities composed of two research organisations.
Additional eligibility criteria	Entities must be established as a legal person ⁸ and must conduct its business, R&D or any other activity on the territory of the Republic of Poland, confirmed by an entry into the relevant register ⁴ .

⁶ Defined in Annex I to Commission Regulation (EU) No 651/2014 of 17 June 2014 declaring certain categories of aid compatible with the internal market in application of Articles 107 and 108 of the Treaty (hereinafter referred to as "Commission Regulation (EU) No 651/2014");

⁷ Defined in Commission Regulation (EU) No 651/2014;

⁸ Legal person (juridical person) - an entity that is capable of having and amend legal rights and obligations within a certain legal system, such as to enter into contracts, sue, and be sued, excluding natural persons;

⁴ if applicable

	• A condition for the participation of a group of entities as the Applicant in the call is its formal existence on the date of submission of the pre-proposal, confirmed by its members concluding, at least conditionally, an agreement on the creation of a group of entities. • For enterprises it is strongly advised to state in the Pre-proposal application form the KRS number of the enterprise and the size of the enterprise (micro/small, medium, large). • Please note that group of entities counts as at least two project partners from Poland (it meets the limit on the number of participants from the same country, please refer to call text for details). • Polish applicants shall declare the TRL of their research in the pre-proposals and full proposals. • Only projects recommended for funding will be asked to submit a national application form (NAF) with required attachments. • The Polish participants are obliged to use the rate of exchange of the European Central Bank dated on the day of opening of the call. • If more than one Polish entity participates in the project, the national application is submitted by a consortium (group of entities) of all Polish entities. All proposals must be aligned with national regulations, inter alia: • The Act of 20 July 2018 - Law on Higher Education and Science; • The Act of 30 April 2010 on the National Centre for Research and Development; • The Regulation of the Minister of Science and Higher Education of 19 August 2020 on granting state aid by the National Centre for Research and Development, which is in line with the Commission Regulation (EU) No 651/2014 of 17 June 2014 declaring certain categories of aid compatible with the internal market in application of Articles 107 and 108 of the Treaty (General Block Exemption Regulation); • The Regulation of the Minister of Science and Higher Education of 17 September 2010 on the detailed mode of performance of tasks of the National Centre for Research and Development.
Eligible costs	Maximum funding per grant awarded to a project partner – up to 350.000 EUR for one Polish partner in the project up to 400.000 EUR for all Polish partners in the project.

The eligible costs shall be the following:

1. **personnel costs** (researchers, technicians and other supporting staff to the extent employed on the research project);
2. **costs of subcontracting, costs of consultancy and equivalent services** used exclusively for the research activity; this cost type cannot account for more than 70% of all eligible costs of a project; the subcontracting can be obtained from consortium partner only in justified case, this need will be verified by a national experts panel
3. **operating costs including** (depending on the type of eligible institution):

Research Organizations:

- costs of instruments and equipment, technical knowledge and patents to the extent and for the period used for the research project; if such instruments and equipment are not used for their full life for the research project, only the depreciation costs corresponding to the life of the research project, as calculated on the basis of good accounting practice, shall be considered eligible;
- costs for buildings and land, to the extent and for the duration used for the research project; with regard to buildings, only the depreciation costs corresponding to the life of the research project, as calculated on the basis of good accounting practice shall be considered eligible; for land, costs of commercial transfer or actually incurred capital costs shall be eligible;
- other operating costs including: costs of materials, supplies and similar products incurred directly as a result of the research activity; training costs; travel costs including conference fees; cost of required external audit, costs of project promotion (e.g. articles, project webpage);

Enterprises:

- costs of instruments and equipment, technical knowledge and patents to the extent and for the period used for the research project; if such instruments and equipment are not used for their full life for the research project, only the depreciation costs corresponding to the life of the research project, as calculated on the basis of good accounting practice, shall be considered eligible;
- costs for buildings and land, to the extent and for the duration used for the research project; with regard to buildings, only the depreciation costs corresponding to the life of the research project, as calculated on the basis of good accounting practice shall be considered eligible; for land, costs of commercial transfer or actually incurred capital costs shall be eligible.

4. **additional overheads** incurred indirectly as a result of the research project (depending on the type of eligible institution);

Research Organizations:

additional overheads for research organizations should account 25% of all eligible direct costs; That costs (4) are counted as a multiplication by percentage given above (called x%) and the rest of direct costs for research organizations, excluding subcontracting (2); It means $4=(1+3)*25\%$.

Enterprises:

additional overheads for enterprises include also other operating costs, eg. costs of materials, supplies and similar products incurred directly as a result of the research activity, training costs; travel costs including conference fees; cost of required external audit, costs of project promotion (e.g. articles, project webpage). That costs should account 20% of all eligible direct project costs;

Additional overheads (4) are counted as a multiplication by percentage given above (called x%) and the rest of direct costs for enterprises; It means $4=(1+2+3)*20\%$.

Projects requesting more than PLN 3 million funding are entitled to claim the cost of the audit. For more details on eligible costs, please check the guidelines in the call announcement on NCBR webpage.

Funding quota for Polish participants may be up to 100% for universities and research organisations. In case of enterprises, funding quota will be decided on a case-by-case basis depending on the size of the company and type of research/development under Section 2 of the Regulation of the Minister of Science and Higher Education of 19 August 2020 on granting state aid by the National Centre for Research and Development, published in Journal of Laws item 1456, 2020.

In any case only Industrial Research and Experimental Development will be funded. Other type of activities (e.g. coordination, dissemination, management) cannot be included into separate task.

For entrepreneurs independently undertaking projects at the national level (meaning there is no Polish group of entities or Polish group of enterprises), there is no possibility of increasing the intensity of state aid for industrial research and experimental development based on the condition of effective cooperation between entrepreneurs or between entrepreneurs and research organisations.

b) Funding rates

Maximum funding percentages:

	Basic re- search	Industrial/Applied Re- search	Experimental development/innova- tion
Large Enterprises	not eligible	Up to 50+5/15/25 (max 75 %)	Up to 25+5/15/25 (max 50 %)
Medium Enterprises	not eligible	Up to 50+10+5/15/25 (max 80 %)	Up to 25+10+5/15/25 (max 60 %)
Small Enterprises	not eligible	Up to 50+20+5/15/25 (max 80 %)	Up to 25+20+5/15/25 (max 70 %)
Universities, public research organisations	not eligible	Up to 100%	Up to 100%
Public authorities	not eligible	not eligible	not eligible
Associations without eco- nomic activities, NGOs	not eligible	not eligible	not eligible

Funding of public-private partnerships allowed	Yes
Further guidance	Polish Participants will be informed and invited to submit Polish proposal once the international evaluation and the ranking list will be established. Sample documents are available at: https://www.gov.pl/web/ncbr/wniosek-krajowy. Only projects recommended for funding will be asked to submit a national application form (NAF). All eligible entities, invited to submit Polish full proposal are obliged to use the rate of exchange of The European Central Bank dated on the day of opening the call. If more than one Polish entity participates in the project, the national application is submitted by a consortium (group of entities) of all Polish entities. We encourage you to learn about and use our "PartFinder" (Partner Search Tool), which allows you to match science and industry entities from around the World with each other. The search engine is available at: https://partfinder.ncbr.gov.pl/

Portugal (FCT)

Funding Organisation	Fundação para a Ciência e a Tecnologia, (FCT)
Initial funding pre-commitment	- FCT budget allocation for this call is 300.000 € The maximum amount of funding to be requested to FCT by a consortium with Portuguese coordination is 150 000,00 €. The maximum amount of funding to be requested to FCT by a consortium with Portuguese participation is 100 000,00 €. - If more than one Portuguese applicant participating in the same international consortium applies for funding by FCT, the combined funding demanded by all the Portuguese applicants may not exceed the maximum financial threshold for proposals with Portuguese coordination (150 000,00 €) or participation (100 000,00 €). Portuguese Coordinator and/or Portuguese partner(s) in the same international consortium will therefore have to share the funding that will be granted by FCT. - If two or three Portuguese Proposing Institutions (PI) from the same international consortium apply for funding from the Portuguese agencies FCT and CCDRC, the total budget to be requested to these two agencies cannot exceed the cumulative sum per consortium of 100.000 € (Portuguese participation) or 150.000 € (Portuguese coordination) per consortium. This rule does not apply to institutions from Região Autónoma dos Açores applying for funding to VP-GRA and participating in a consortium with institutions applying for funding to FCT and/or CCDRC. For information on funding rates, see no. 2 of article 7 of <u>FCT Regulation</u>.
Regional/National contact for the EP PerMed JTC2025	Rita Cavaleiro / Pedro Ferreira <u>EPPerMed@fct.pt</u> Tel: +351 213 911 541 / +351 213 924 445
Eligible institutions	- For information on the type of beneficiaries eligible for FCT funding under this call, see article 3 of <u>FCT Regulation</u>. - For information on the criteria of beneficiaries' eligibility, see article 5 of <u>FCT Regulation</u>. - For information on the criteria of projects' eligibility, see article 6 of <u>FCT Regulation</u>.

Additional eligibility criteria	For eligibility criteria of beneficiaries and projects, please consult articles 5 and 6 of FCT Regulation .
Eligible costs	- For the purposes of defining the budget, the terms defined in article 8 of FCT Regulation apply to eligible expenses and article 9 applies to non-eligible expenses. - Excluded from the range of eligible expenses are the salaries and other remuneration supplements of teachers, researchers and other staff with a previously established indefinite contract with the Public Administration. - Expenditure on adapting buildings and facilities is limited to a maximum of 10% of the project's total eligible expenditure. - The project's indirect costs are based on the application of a flat rate of 25% of the direct eligible costs. Eligible costs outlined in the beneficiary payment requests are based on real costs.
Funding of public-private partnerships allowed	Yes
Further guidance	- Applications requesting funding from FCT under this call will be subject to Regulation on projects funded solely by national funds, as amended by the Regulation no. 5/2024, of 3 January, herein referred to as FCT Regulation, which amends and republishes Regulation no. 999/2016, of 31 October, and to other applicable national and EU legislation. - In accordance with no. 1 of article 7 of the FCT Regulation, the funding to be granted to proposals requesting funding from FCT under this call is non-reimbursable and is based on real costs. As such it must be justified through invoices paid or other accounting documents of similar probatory value, under the terms of no. 5 of article 8 of FCT Regulation. - FCT, CCDRC and VP-GRA, as Portuguese funding agencies on this call, reserve the right to evaluate the possibility of transferring application(s) to the other Portuguese funding agency if an application is considered non-eligible by the funding agency selected by the candidate institution, but is eligible by the other Portuguese funding agency, which will from then on be responsible for managing the application(s). The transfer of applications will be carried out in accordance with the terms set out in the MoU signed between the parties. - If FCT or CCDRC or VP-GRA reach the limit of the budget that each of the agencies has set for funding projects under this call before the number of applications recommended for funding by each of these agencies has run

out, the applications recommended for funding that lack funding may be transferred to the agency that still has the budget to fund applications. The transfer of applications recommended for funding will be carried out in accordance with the terms set out in the MoU signed between the parties.

- The percentage of time dedicated to transnational projects will **not** be added to the percentage of time dedicated to existing national projects.

Statement of Commitment:

- Within 10 working days after the deadline for submitting the pre-proposal, a **Statement of Commitment** duly signed by the Researcher in Charge (partner and/or coordinators) and by the legal representant of the Portuguese Proposing Institution must be sent to EPPerMed@fct.pt.
- The stamp or white seal of the Portuguese Proposing Institution will not be required on a digitally signed Statement of Commitment.

Portuguese applicants of transnational consortia that **do not apply for funding from FCT** do not need to submit the Statement of Commitment to FCT.

Portugal (Azores)

Funding Organisation	Vice-Presidency of the Regional Government of Azores, (VP-GRA)
Initial funding pre-commitment	100.000 €
Regional/National contact for the EP PerMed JTC2025	Maria.LA.Vale@azores.gov.pt Tel.: 00351 296 308 922
Eligible institutions	- Higher education institutions, their institutes, and R&D units; - Private non-profit institutions whose main purpose is R&D activities; - Other public and private, non-profit institutions that develop or participate in scientific research activities; - Entities of the Azores Scientific and Technological System (SCTA).
Additional eligibility criteria	Decreto Regulamentar Regional n.º 17/2012/A de 4 de julho de 2012
Eligible costs	- Direct personnel costs, including all costs with social security contributions, fees and taxes provided by law for personnel working for IP under an employment contract. Other types of contracts are permitted as long as the work carried out is under the control of IP, belongs to the Institution and the costs are identical to those arising from an employment contract; - Direct Subcontracting costs, which cannot exceed 30% of the total value of eligible project expenses; - Other direct costs, including travel costs, accommodation and expected subsidies, acquisition of equipment, renting and leasing, other goods and services; - Indirect costs, which are calculated through a flat rate of 7% on direct personnel costs and other eligible direct costs, excluding direct subcontracting costs. There is no need to submit specific documentation.
Funding of public-private partnerships allowed	Yes

Further guidance	Guidelines for the participation of the Regional Research teams in the European Partnerships funded by the VP - GRA/DRCID (https://portal.azores.gov.pt/documents/37178/0/VPGRA DRCT Guiao participacao equi-pas RAA EPs v20231011.pdf/9e5a64fd-6a2c-cb52-c7712fb779ab0a2f?version=1.0&t=1697451266918). The regional research teams selected in the pre-proposal stage, will have to submit a Declaration of Honour to be able to proceed to the 2nd stage of the evaluation. The template of this declaration will be provided by the DRCID team. The Portuguese funding agencies in this call reserve the right to evaluate the possibility of transferring application(s) to the other national funding agency, when necessary, for example in the following conditions: 1. if an application is considered non-eligible by the funding agency selected by the candidate institution, but is eligible by the other Portuguese funding agency; 2. if it is necessary to maximize the number of funded national projects.
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Portugal (Centro Region)

Funding Organisation	Comissão de Coordenação e Desenvolvimento Regional, (CCDRC) - https://ris3.ccdrc.pt/index.php/iniciativas
Initial funding pre-commitment	• CCDRC funding commitment for this call is 300.000 € Maximum funding awarded: - 100.000€ for a regional consortium. - 150.000€ for a regional consortium with regional coordination (of the transnational project). • If more than one regional applicant participates in the same consortium applying for CCDRC's funding, the combined funding demanded by all the regional applicants must not exceed the maximum financial threshold established above: for projects with a regional main applicant (150 000,00 €); for projects with regional applicants (100 000,00 €). Regional Main Applicants and/or Project Applicants in the same consortium will therefore have to share the funding that will be granted by CCDRC. • If two or three Portuguese Proposing Institutions (PI) from the same international consortium apply for funding from the Portuguese agencies FCT and CCDRC, <u>the total budget to be requested to these two agencies cannot exceed the cumulative sum per consortium of 100.000 € (Portuguese participation) or 150.000 € (Portuguese coordination).</u> This rule does not apply to institutions from Região Autónoma dos Açores applying for funding to VP-GRA and participating in a consortium with institutions applying for funding to FCT and/or CCDRC.
Regional/National contact for the EP PerMed JTC2025	Sophie Patrício Dora Cabete ccdrc.projects@ccdrc.pt +351 239 400 100
Eligible institutions	Eligible institutions for CCDRC funding: • Academia or research institutes; • Clinical/public health sector;

	• Private for-profit partners; • Other stakeholders – might be possible to participate if partnering up with one (or more) regional institutions from the typologies listed above; ➤ Large companies will not be considered eligible in the context of this call. ➤ Only entities from NUTS II Centro, or those that can ensure the investment will be made in the Centro Region, are eligible to apply for CCDRC funding. <u>All applicants must contact CCDRC in order to assess their eligibility before submitting their application.</u> The maximum funding rates to be considered are the following: • Research organisations and Higher Education Institutions (HEI) – 85% • SME: micro and small enterprises – 80% medium enterprises – 75% • Other organisations (when eligible) – 85%. The funding rates presented are the maximum (possible) values. • For projects led by companies, consult funding rates at article 49 of Regulamento Específico da Área Temática Inovação e Transição Digital. • For projects led by non-entrepreneurial entities from the regional research and innovation system (HEI and research organizations), consult funding rates at article 141 of Regulamento Específico da Área Temática Inovação e Transição Digital.
Additional eligibility criteria	The eligibility of partners, as beneficiary institutions, must be verified in the following articles of Regulamento Específico da Área Temática Inovação e Transição Digital: • For projects led by companies, consult article 46 of Regulamento Específico da Área Temática Inovação e Transição Digital to have concrete information about the eligible beneficiaries and the eligibility criteria that must be fulfilled; • For projects led by non-entrepreneurial entities from the regional research and innovation system (HEI and research organizations), consult article 139 of Regulamento Específico da Área Temática Inovação e

	Transição Digital to have concrete information about the eligible beneficiaries and the eligibility criteria that must be fulfilled. When checking eligibility of projects, the following articles should also be considered: • For projects led by companies, articles 42 and 47 of Regulamento Específico da Área Temática Inovação e Transição Digital; • For projects led by non-entrepreneurial entities, article 138 of Regulamento Específico da Área Temática Inovação e Transição Digital. When applying to the transnational call, all regional stakeholders must fill in and sign this Declaration: • For projects led by companies: https://ris3.ccdrc.pt/index.php/ris3-documentacao/declaracao-de-compromisso-si-i-d/download • For projects led by non-entrepreneurial entities: https://ris3.ccdrc.pt/index.php/ris3-documentacao/declaracao-de-compromisso-saccct/download The Declaration must be sent within 5 working days after the submission of the pre-proposal to ccdrc.projects@ccdrc.pt
Eligible costs	For eligible costs verify the article 9 of Regulamento Específico da Área Temática Inovação e Transição Digital. The following articles should also be considered: • For projects led by companies, article 50 of Regulamento Específico da Área Temática Inovação e Transição Digital; • For projects led by non-entrepreneurial entities from the regional research and innovation system (HEI and research organizations), article 143 of Regulamento Específico da Área Temática Inovação e Transição Digital.
Funding of public-private partnerships allowed	Yes
Further guidance	To all other criteria and conditions not explicit in this annex, please consult Regulamento Específico da Área Temática Inovação e Transição Digital:

<https://diariodarepublica.pt/dr/detalhe/portaria/328-b-2023-223573621?ts=1700139369853>).

FCT, CCDRC and VP-GRA, as Portuguese funding agencies on this call, reserve the right to evaluate the possibility of transferring application(s) to the other Portuguese funding agency if an application is considered non-eligible by the funding agency selected by the candidate institution, but is eligible by the other Portuguese funding agency, which will from then on be responsible for managing the application(s). The transfer of applications will be carried out in accordance with the terms set out in the MoU signed between the parties.

If FCT or CCDRC or VP-GRA reach the limit of the budget that each of the agencies has set for funding projects under this call before the number of applications recommended for funding by each of these agencies has run out, the applications recommended for funding that lack funding may be transferred to the agency that still has the budget to fund applications. The transfer of applications recommended for funding will be carried out in accordance with the terms set out in the MoU signed between the parties.

South Africa

Funding Organisation	The South African Medical Research Council, (SAMRC)
Initial funding pre-commitment	EUR 632.000 (ZAR 12.050.300) Fund 3 to 4 projects up to EUR 160.000 per project (excluding Value Added Tax (VAT) and including a 5% overhead cost)
Regional/National contact for the EP PerMed JTC2025	Rizwana Mia Senior Program Manager – Precision Medicine SAMRC - GRANTS INNOVATION & PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT Francie Van Zijl Drive, Parow Valley, 7501 Tel.: +27 21 938 0984 Email: Rizwana.Mia@mrc.ac.za
Eligible institutions	South African universities, academic hospitals and other public or independent research organisations. This call will allow private entities to respond.
Additional eligibility criteria	Only South African citizens or permanent residents are eligible for SAMRC funding. Private non-profit or Private for-profit entities such as Small Medium Micro Enterprise's (SMME's) registered as a South African company under the Company's Act are eligible to apply. https://www.gov.za/sites/default/files/gcis_document/201903/423041gon399.pdf The company's SMME status must meet the requirements as stated by the definition of the South African National Small Enterprise Act, No. 102 of 1996. The eligibility criterion for a company to gain access to public entity funding is subject to meet the following requirements: - Submit a valid CIPC company registration certificate and (Broad-Based-Black-Economic Equity (BBBEE) certification status - Submit a tax clearance certificate issued by the South African Revenue Service.

	iii. Submit a financial status report (this should include a company balance sheet and financial income/ expense statements), to show that its financial status is adequate to hold project funding and the entity follows an audit process for usage and monitoring of funds. iv. The company directors may also be subject to a personal credit status check. A due diligence process will be executed to verify such information at the time of the award.
Eligible costs	Allowable costs include the following (all direct line items must be auditable): • Personnel: Soft-funded posts for individuals working on the project (e.g. post-docs, students, technicians, project managers) will be funded, provided an accurate estimation of time allocation is provided and they are not already funded from other means. • Consultants: These may include both local and/or foreign consultants who provide a service or capability that is not available among the project partners but is essential for the completion of project deliverables. • Equipment: Partial or full support for the cost of equipment may, in some instances, be requested, provided that it is directly required for the project. A budget limitation may apply. • Laboratory costs: consumables and other direct laboratory or research costs. • Sub-contracts: These may be to any local or international organization that provides a service or capability that is not available among the project partners but is essential for the completion of South African project deliverables. • Travel and accommodation that is directly related to the execution of the project. • Institutional overhead: An indirect costs rate of 5% is allowed. If research equipment is purchased using SAMRC funding, unless specified otherwise by the specific funding mechanism, it becomes the property of the host institution. Under no circumstances may equipment become the property of the individual researcher to whom the funding was allocated. The equipment may not be removed from the host institution and/or transferred to another institution without the express written approval of the host institution and concurrence by the SAMRC. The institution must take responsibility for any necessary maintenance of and insurance on the equipment. Budgets must be aligned to achievement of milestones and deliverables. The disbursement schedule will proceed with an upfront payment upon signature of the SAMRC funding agreement. Subsequent disbursements are subject

	to project progress based on achievement of milestones and deliverables, as well as adequate usage (up to 70%) of the previous disbursement.
Funding of public-private partnerships allowed	Yes, subject to the due diligence process stated above
Further guidance	Non-allowable costs include the following: • Salaries of permanent or fixed term staff, e.g. tenured staff, professors etc., that are fully covered by the host institutions as well as permanent staff members from private entities. • Purchase or construction of a building. • Rental costs for space that is owned by the institutions/ private entities participating in the project. • Recruitment or retrenchment costs for staff. • Purchase of office furniture. The South African Applicant will have to complete separate annexures for the SAMRC Funding agreement. Annexure A- Adapted South African Project Proposal template and Annexure B -Project Budget template will be provided for completion upon award. These two annexures will be appended to the SAMRC Funding agreement and utilized to monitor and evaluate project progress. The SAMRC has a bi-annual reporting procedure. Each reporting period will be followed by the submission of progress and finance reports. The SAMRC will adhere to annual funding disbursements. Private entities will be subject to six monthly disbursement schedules. For more detail on the general terms and conditions for SAMRC funding please refer to the SAMRC terms and conditions of funding, use the following link: Microsoft Word - SAMRC Terms and Conditions of Funding 2024 Clean Any publications press releases and other documents which include results obtained in the project must acknowledge the funding source as follows: “Research reported in this [publication/press release] was supported by the South African Medical Research Council with funds received from the South African

Department of Science and Innovation". Any publications that do not include this acknowledgement will not be accepted as outputs of the project.

Requirements on data and repositories:

The SAMRC strongly encourages open access to research outputs/data to be made available in recognized publicly available databases. The SAMRC conforms to Plan S -supported by cOAlition S, an international consortium of research funding and performing organisations. Plan S requires that, from 2021, scientific publications that result from research funded by public grants must be published in compliant Open Access journals or platforms.

Regulatory and Ethical Compliance: All SAMRC grantees are required to obtain approval for any research involving human or animal subjects or samples therefrom the appropriate institutional review board or ethics committee and provide the SAMRC with a copy of such approval prior to undertaking the research. This requirement extends to all sites participating in the research. Any such research must, in addition to ethical approval compliance, be conducted in accordance with the generally accepted principles of "Good Clinical Practices", which shall include but not be limited to, requiring prior informed consent from the human subjects and shall be conducted in accordance with all applicable national and international regulations and guidelines pertaining to research involving human subjects, management of data confidentiality, research involving animals, use or release of genetically modified organisms, research use of recombinant DNA, and/or use of any organism, substance or material considered to be a biohazard, including adherence to all applicable standards for transport of specimens, both locally and internationally, as appropriate. This also applies to the development of data repositories and the ongoing compliance to the Protection of Personal Information Act 4 of 2013.

Compliance to South African Regulation:

Ownership of any intellectual property (IP) and associated rights arising from SAMRC-funded projects (Foreground IP) shall be determined in accordance with the provisions of the Intellectual Property Rights from Publicly Financed Research and Development Act, 51 of 2008 and associated regulations as amended from time to time (IPR Act) and the institution's Intellectual Property Policy. The institution/ private entity is obliged to appropriately protect, manage, and commercialize the Foreground IP in accordance with all applicable provisions of the IPR Act

and, in consultation with the SAMRC. The institution / Principal Investigator is required to report any Foreground IP developed to the SAMRC as part of the reporting requirements.

Project's processing/ handling any personal information will each comply with the provisions of the **PROTECTION OF PERSONAL INFORMATION ACT 4 OF 2013 (POPIA)**. The institution/ private entity is obliged to appropriately protect and manage all personal information.

Additional Partnership criteria applies to this call and requires you to complete the pre-eligibility check form: <https://redcap.link/Pre-EligibilityCheck>

Spain (ISCIII)

Funding Organisation	National Health Institute Carlos III, (ISCIII)
Initial funding pre-commitment	3.000.000 € (pending of approval of Spanish State Budget) Anticipated number of fundable proposals: ≈10 National Programme: PEICTI 2024-2027 "Líneas Estratégicas de Investigación en Salud"
Regional/National contact for the EP PerMed JTC2025	María Callejo Arranz mcallejo@isciii.es Tel.: +34918222503
Eligible institutions	Eligible Institutions: • Accredited Health Research Institutes (Institutos de Investigación Sanitaria acreditados, IIS). Accredited according to the RD 279/2016 (These institutions may manage research via a foundation regulated according to the Spanish Act 50/ 2002, of December 26th). See the list of IIS in this link. • Hospitals or public health administration of the Spanish National Health System (SNS). These institutions may manage research via a foundation regulated in accordance to the Spanish Act 50/2002, of December 26th (a copy of the foundation's statutes may be submitted). • CIBER. Team members applying to the call must be from at least two groups belonging to CIBER in two different home institutions and one of these two should be a Hospital, primary health care or public health administration of the Spanish National Health System (SNS) or Accredited Health Research Institutes (Institutos de Investigación Sanitaria acreditados). Please contact CIBER (pai@ciberisciii.es) for more information related to CIBER's eligibility. • Public Research Institutions (OPIs) as defined in article 47 of Law 14/2011, of 1 June, in accordance with the provisions of Royal Decree 202/2021, of 30 March, Private health entities and institutions, public Universities and private Universities with proven R&D activity capacity, other public R&D centres. These entities can only participate if they apply together with hospitals, primary health care or public health administration of the Spanish National Health System (or Accredited Health Research Institutes (IIS) in the same proposal. It is not allowed for these entities to apply independently, thus there must be two beneficiary Spanish institutions requesting funding to ISCIII in the same proposal.

	- Applicants from ISCIII are eligible in the same conditions as Public Research Institution (OPI) above-mentioned. Eligibility criteria from "Líneas Estratégicas de Investigación en Salud" 2025 Intramural apply. NOT eligible institutions: - Those declared by "Líneas Estratégicas de Investigación en Salud" 2025 as ineligible to receive funds by ISCIII. - Particularly for this call, it will not be eligible the National Technological Centres and National Centres for supporting technological innovation that are inscribed in the Register according by RD 2093/2008, of 19 December. IMPORTANT - A maximum of two different partners requesting funding from ISCIII may participate in the same project proposal. Same beneficiary institution cannot participate with more than one partner in the same project proposal.
Additional eligibility criteria	Personnel costs: - Personnel costs will be eligible for contracts with the needed professional category (superior technician, BSc (grado), MSc (máster), PhD (doctor) for the project development accordingly to the published salary tables in ISCIII's webpage. Personnel cost will precisely adhere to the salary tables, no other amount will be considered, either upper nor lower. - Contracts for PhD students will be done in the framework of National Subprogramme for Training (scholarships are not eligible). - Personnel costs will NOT be eligible when they correspond to civil servants or the equivalent personnel (as specified in the Art. 3.4 of "Líneas Estratégicas de Investigación en Salud" 2025) either employed by the beneficiary entities or belonging to the research team. - The hiring of permanent personnel already belonging to the beneficiary entity or members of the research team will not be considered eligible expenses, unless that applies the exception stated in "Líneas Estratégicas de Investigación en Salud" 2025 for eligible personnel costs, for contracts framed under the Law 17/2022, 5 September, article 23bis in the specified Entities of Public Sector". - Personnel costs will be eligible with a maximum of 36 PM in total for the personnel contracts altogether. - Duration of the contracts: during the whole or part of the duration of the project.

	Other eligible costs: Current costs, small scientific equipment, disposable materials, travelling expenses, complementary expenses (use of central and general research support services of the beneficiary entity), publication and dissemination of results and other costs as included in LEIS 2025 that can be justified as necessary to carry out the proposed activities. Overheads, according to "Líneas Estratégicas de Investigación en Salud" 2025 (25%) Double funding of the same concept is not allowed.
Eligible costs	See below
Funding of public-private partnerships allowed	YES. In the case of private partners, please be aware that ISCIII itself is only providing funds to private non for profit research institutions in the terms described at "Eligible Institutions" section.
Further guidance	• Principal Investigators (PI) must have PhD degree. • PI can only participate in one project proposal per call. • PIs belonging to an Accredited Health Research Institutes (IIS) could apply only from the IIS. • The PI and all members of the research group must belong to the eligible institutions in the call. • Only one PI per beneficiary institution may be funded within the same proposal. • PIs that has an ongoing International Collaboration (PCIN) project of the same initiative (ERA PerMed and EP PerMed) and purpose that this call and that the project has an ending date after the 31st December 2025 will not be able to apply for this call. This incompatibility will affect only to the PI. And this incompatibility will not apply in the case that the PI participate as coordinator in the new application or in the ongoing project. • For additional incompatibilities please review "Líneas Estratégicas de Investigación en Salud" 2025. Excluded personnel as Principal Investigator (PI): • Those undergoing a postgraduate training in Health Specialization (MIR, EIR, FIR, QIR, BIR, PIR, RFIR). • Those undergoing research training (e.g. PhD students, or "Río Hortega" contracts). • Those undergoing postdoctoral training (e.g. "Sara Borrell" or "Juan de la Cierva" contracts). • Researchers contracted by a RICORs and platforms funded by ISCIII.

Maximum funding from ISCIII per awarded Spanish project:

- If a Spanish Partner requesting funding to the ISCIII is **NOT** the Coordinator of the transnational project:
 - **220.000€** (overheads included), if there is only one Spanish Partner requesting funding to the ISCIII in the proposal.
 - **275.000€** (overheads included), if there are two Spanish Partners requesting funding to the ISCIII in the proposal.
- If a Spanish Partner requesting funding to the ISCIII **IS** the Coordinator of the transnational project:
 - **300.000€** (overheads included), if there is only one Spanish Partner in the proposal, acting as a coordinator.
 - **400.000€** (overheads included), if there is one Spanish Partner in addition to the Spanish Coordinator in the proposal, both requesting funding to the ISCIII.

Projects' duration: from 24 months to 36 months.

The level of funding will take into account the evaluation of the collaborative proposal, the scientific quality of the Spanish group, the added value of the international collaboration, and the financial resources available.

Requirements on data and repositories

- Researchers funded by ISCIII must make public the human genomic data, as well as relevant data (phenotype and exposition data) generated inside the funded project and will use open access repositories. Researchers must also make public all the necessary information for the interpretation of these genomic data, including lab protocols, and data instruments survey tools. Genomic data is understood as: association of complete genomes (GWAS), matrixes of de polymorphism of a single nucleotide (SNP) and sequence of genome, and transcriptomic, metagenomic, epigenomic and gene expression data. The researchers whose projects are funded by ISCIII are recommended to store their scientific data at the "ELIXIR Core Data Resources", or if non-European repositories or data bases are to be used they must be certified by ELIXIR or the US National Center for Biotechnology Information (NCBI).

- ISCIII may not fund any project that may require a repository and/or a data base without a plan ensuring sustainability and decommissioning after the end of funding.

Requirements for clinical studies

Spanish groups that are involved on the performance of a clinical trial in the proposal, **are recommended to include** in their team a member from their scientific node of the EU Clinical Trials Network (SCReN or ECRIN-ERIC) or if it does not exist, a member from the personnel of their Clinical Research Supporting Platform of their institutions (UIC).

Acknowledgements

Any publication, data base, product or event protected with IPR or not, resulting from the granted project must acknowledge "Award no. XX by Instituto de Salud Carlos III (ISCIII) through "Líneas Estratégicas de Investigación en Salud" 2025 and within the EP PerMed Partnership" even after the end of the project, including other specific acknowledgments that could be requested by ISCIII to the granted project. For more information please see ISCIII's **ROR** [here](#).

National phase: National applications will be required by ISCIII to the full proposal applicants according to the timeline established in "Líneas Estratégicas de Investigación en Salud" 2025. Due to administrative and legal regulations, the ISCIII establishes the 31st October 2025 as the national deadline for the decision on fundable project consortia which includes Spanish partners to be funded by ISCIII, which must present their national application in the period stated in "Líneas Estratégicas de Investigación en Salud" 2025. Any concerned applicant in a proposal for which no final decision has been made by the deadline of 31/10/2025, could be declared not fundable by ISCIII.

Submission of financial and scientific reports as specified by the call text at international level and additionally at the national level as specified by ISCIII's instructions (please check ISCIII's webpage).

Additional clause regarding the available grant: After the evaluation process, depending on its budgetary availability, of the requested funding of the selected projects, and giving priority to projects requesting funding from ISCIII, ISCIII and other Spanish funding agencies may exchange applicants with each other in order to optimize the available

funds, provided that the respective eligibility rules are met. Such applicants must submit the national phase of ISCIII, in time and form.

In order to expedite the **eligibility check process**, it is mandatory that all the applicants submit the CVA-ISCIII of the PI. This document shall be submitted by the PI by electronic email before the proposal submission deadline to: mcallejo@isciii.es

Spain (Andalusia)

Funding Organisation	Consejería de Salud y Consumo de la Junta de Andalucía, (CSCJA)
Initial funding pre-commitment	250.000 €
Regional/National contact for the EP PerMed JTC2025	Alicia Milano Curto ep.fps@juntadeandalucia.es
Eligible institutions	Eligible organisation must be Andalusian Non-profit entities registered as Agents of the Andalusian Knowledge System (Registro de Agentes Andaluces del Conocimiento) with research and innovation activity in Biomedicine and Health Sciences, ie: Research managing foundations of the Andalusian Public Health System. Eligibility criteria established in Orden de 10 de agosto de 2023 de la Consejería de Salud y Consumo de la Junta de Andalucía.
Additional eligibility criteria	• Principal investigators must be linked through a civil servant, statutory or labour relationship with the applicant or performing centre. For Health Research Institutes (Institutos de Investigación Sanitaria, IIS), the link may be with any of the public or private law entities that are part of the IIS provided that the entity meets all the specific requirements determined in each action, and, in any case, be personnel assigned to the IIS. • More than one partner from Andalusia may participate in the same project. • A PI can only participate in one application per call. • For receiving regional funding, the final funding decision issued by the corresponding program's decision-making body must be accredited. • The duration of the projects shall be determined by the corresponding JTC. In any case, this period shall be stated in the award resolution.
Eligible costs	a. Goods and services: consumables, bibliographic material, equipment rentals, software licenses and external services.

	b. Personnel costs: specifically hired for the project, including salaries, employer Social Security contributions, legally established compensation and other duly justified expenses derived. c. Travel, accommodation and subsistence according to the maximum amounts of compensation for service established in Decree 54/1989, of March 21, on compensation for service of the Junta de Andalucía, exclusively for people who are part of the research group or hired under the funded project. Exceptionally, any expense outside these amounts, or for people other than those listed before, must be authorised by the granting body. d. Registration fees for congresses or conferences for the presentation and dissemination of the results. Publication costs e. Other expenses duly justified and necessary for carrying out the project. f. Indirect costs 21% g. Subcontracting costs: cannot exceed 50% of the funding and need prior authorization from the granting body. Nor Scientific aspects nor the management of the project should be subcontracted. The following are not considered eligible expenses - Equipment or Equipment repair and maintenance - Items or amounts that, after analysis, are not considered justified - Amounts paid to persons participating in the project, except for expenses necessary for special attention to patients that involve compensation for their participation in the project not derived from an employment relationship. The sum of the funding or income received for the same purpose may in no case exceed the cost of the funded activity.
Funding of public-private partnerships allowed	Yes. In the case of private partners, please be aware that CSCJA itself is only providing funds to private non for profit research institutions in the terms described at "Eligible Institutions" section.
Further guidance	The projects must respect the fundamental principles established in national and international declarations, protocols and conventions on research ethics, as well as respect the requirements established in national and regional legislation in the field of biomedical research, development and innovation, personal data protection and bioethics.

	When the results are not susceptible to protection of industrial or intellectual property rights, the scientific publications resulting from the funding granted must be made available in open access, in accordance with article 37 of Law 14/2011, of June 1.
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Spain (Catalonia)

Funding Organisation	Departament de Salut – Generalitat de Catalunya, (DS-CAT)
Initial funding pre-commitment	Budget 700.000 € Anticipated number of funded research groups: N° of projects: 3 -4 Maximum funding per grant awarded to a project partner: 200.000 € per partner - 250.000 € per coordinator
Regional/National contact for the EP PerMed JTC2025	Deputy Directorate-General for Health Research and Innovation Directorate General for Health Planning and Research Departament de Salut – Generalitat de Catalunya Travessera de les Corts, 131-159 (Pavelló Ave Maria) 08028 Barcelona Montserrat Llavayol Tel: (+34) 935566103 peris@gencat.cat
Eligible institutions	Foundations managing research activities of both SISCAT and Public health centres who carry out research activity in Catalonia, including accredited Health Research Institutes and CERCA institutions
Additional eligibility criteria	
Eligible costs	Personnel Consumables Core facilities Travel (Max € 5,000 per year) Other (direct costs). It is compulsory to include the cost of a financial audit certificate up to a maximum of € 2,000 Overhead (Flat rate 21% calculated on direct costs)
Funding of public-private partnerships allowed	Yes

Further guidance

peris@gencat.cat

Spain (Navarre)

Funding Organisation	Gobierno de Navarra, (CFN); http://www.navarra.es
Initial funding pre-commitment	Budget 200.000 € Anticipated number of funded research groups: 1-2
Regional/National contact for the EP PerMed JTC2025	General Directorate of Energy, Business R&D&I and Entrepreneurship Ministry of Industry and of Digital and Ecologic Business Transition Parque Tomás Caballero Nº1 Edificio "Fuerte del Principe II" 31006 Pamplona, Spain Javier Rodrigo Tel: +34 848 42 76 69 Javier.rodrico.aznarez@navarra.es
Eligible institutions	Universities, Research Institutes and Industries that comply with Points 2.2 and 2.5 a) and b) from the Resolution 429E/2023, Of 20th December. It can be found in the Official Navarrese Gazette #14, 18st January 2024 (https://bon.navarra.es/es/anuncio/-/texto/2024/14/6). The compliance of these requirements has to be assured during the whole project. A document with a declaration of responsibility regarding these requirements has to be signed. The template is available at: www.ep-permed.eu/JTC2025 . If grant is bigger than 30.000€, industries must fulfil payment deadlines according to State Law 3/2004, Of 29th December Which Establish Measures Of Combating Late Payment In Commercial Operations. The way to assure this Requirement will be according to Official Regulations and has to be consulted to Government of Navarra.
Additional eligibility criteria	The duration of the project must be up to 3 years.
Eligible costs	The following expenses will be eligible: a) Personnel expenses when it is not a Public Research Institute or Public University. The maximum eligible cost will be 40 € per hour.

	b) Expenses of the materials used in the project. c) Depreciation expenses of equipment, patents and utility models, to the extent and during the period in which these assets are used for the project. d) Expenses of external collaborations of Universities, Technological Centres and other companies that carry out R & D tasks related to the project and provide technical knowledge. e) Expenses derived from the use of Singular Scientific and Technical Infrastructures (ICTS) of national or European scope. f) Application fees for patents generated by the project. This expense will not be eligible for large companies. g) Other expenses directly related to the project and effectively applied to its realization, provided that they can be identified as specifically employed in the project and that they can be assigned individually to it. This section includes travel expenses, dissemination of results expenses (maximum 4000€), documentation preparation expenses (maximum 1500€) and audit expenses. h) Indirect costs up to 15% of the Personal expenses (just for Research Institute and Universities). The following expenses will not be eligible, even if they are related to the activities of the project: a) Personnel training expenses. b) Administrative expenses and office supplies. The maximum outsourcing rate for the project cannot be bigger than 50%.
Funding of public-private partnerships allowed	Yes
Further guidance	Maximum Funding rate: Always according to Commission Regulation (EU) No 651/2014 Industries:

CATEGORY	OPTIONS	SIZE		
		SMALL	MEDIUM	BIG
Industrial Research	Wide Dissemination of Results	80%	75%	65%
	Effective Collaboration between 2 industries (if one is SME) or 3 (if not SME)	80%	80%	75%
Experimental Development	Wide Dissemination of Results	60%	50%	40%
	Effective Collaboration between 2 industries (if one is SME) or 3 (if not SME)	70%	60%	50%

Research Institutes and Universities: 100%

Sweden (VINNOVA)

Funding Organisation	Sweden's Innovation Agency, (Vinnova), www.vinnova.se
Initial funding pre-commitment	The total funding commitment is 24 million SEK (approximately 2.1M €). The maximum amount of funding per consortium for Swedish participation is 3 million SEK for 1 Swedish partner and 4.5 million SEK for 2 Swedish partners.
Regional/National contact for the EP PerMed JTC2025	Casper Ullsten-Wahlund, +46 8 473 32 06, casper.ullsten-wahlund@vinnova.se Malin Eklund, +46 730 20 39 53, malin.eklund@Vinnova.se
Eligible institutions	Universities, public research institutes, healthcare providers, enterprises and non-profit organisations.
Additional eligibility criteria	The grants paid out by Vinnova must be administrated by a Swedish organisation. They need to be a Swedish legal entity with a Swedish organisation registration number. See Vinnova's general terms and conditions for funding Vinnova
Eligible costs	Universities, public research institutes and public healthcare providers may receive funding of up to 100 % of their eligible costs, provided that the project is part of their non-economic activities. Vinnova follows the state aid rules for economic activities (enterprises). In this call enterprises can apply for either industrial research or experimental development. We can provide support according to GBER as well as the regulation on minor support (EU 2023/2831). If minor support is used, you need to include a minor support certificate. For more information see Rules for funding State aid for economic activities Vinnova . Eligible costs are defined in: Vinnova's general terms and conditions for funding Vinnova
Funding of public-private partnerships allowed	Yes
Further guidance	Detailed national eligibility rules and guidance can be found here: Find the right funding Vinnova . Vinnova requests that a parallel application is uploaded into Vinnovas portal no later than 1 week after the international call has closed. Vinnova follows the principle of public access to official records according to Swedish law. Vinnova

performs a confidentiality review before releasing any documents. For more information see: [Requesting an official document | Vinnova](#) A Swedish partner may apply for a maximum of 3 million SEK. If more than one Swedish partner applies for financing, the total amount cannot exceed 4.5 million SEK.

Turkiye

Funding Organisation	The Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkiye, (TÜBİTAK)
Initial funding pre-commitment	400.000 €
Regional/National contact for the EP PerMed JTC2025	N. Selcan TURKER
Eligible institutions	Applicants can apply from universities (public and private), research institutes, public and private corporations. Foundations/Associations are not eligible. For further information, applicants should follow the announcements regarding this call under the official website of TUBITAK.
Additional eligibility criteria	For further information, applicants should follow the announcements regarding this call under the official website of TUBITAK.
Eligible costs	Eligible types of funding under this programme are limited to personnel costs*, travel and subsistence, equipment, consumables and subcontracting/services. Projects intended to build infrastructure cannot be supported. For further information, applicants should follow the announcements regarding this call under <u>the official website of TUBITAK.</u> *: Personnel Costs include • Person-Month Based Personnel Cost of the Research Team, • Undergraduate/Graduate/Post-Doc Scholarship Costs, • Auxiliary Personnel Costs (Technician, Nurse, Laboratorian etc.) <i>For HES, research institutes and public organizations, the institutional share cost must be mentioned as overhead in the EP PerMed budget table, but it should <u>NOT</u> be inserted in the national TÜBİTAK application.</i>

Funding of public-private partnerships allowed	Yes
Further guidance	For further information, applicants should follow the announcements regarding this call under <u>the official website of TUBITAK.</u>