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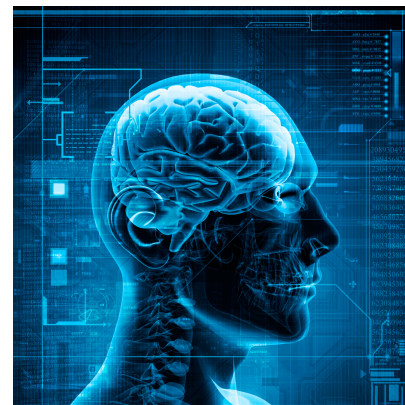
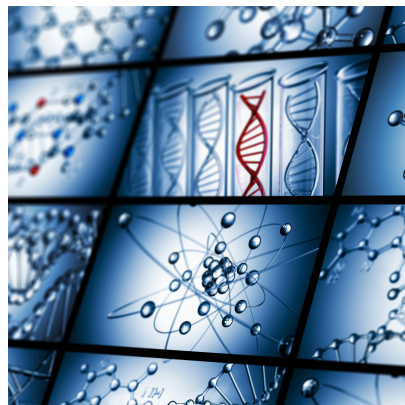
**STRENGTHENING VIENNA'S
EXCELLENCE IN RESEARCH**

PRECISION MEDICINE

NEW:
COOPERATION PROJECTS
VIENNA & LOWER AUSTRIA
more information:
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Life Sciences

Call 2020



Proposers' Day

Agenda

- ▶ Life Sciences “Precision Medicine” 2020 Full Proposal Stage
- ▶ Submission System
- ▶ Q & A

Details of the Call Life Sciences 2020

Details of the current call – LS20

- ▶ 2 - stage selection process:
 - ▶ Short proposal deadline: 2/06/2020
 - ▶ Full proposal deadline: 1/10/2020
- ▶ Funding range: 200,000 € - 900,000 €
- ▶ 2 - 4 year research projects on cutting-edge research
- ▶ Total budget: 5 Mio €

Scope of the Precision Medicine call

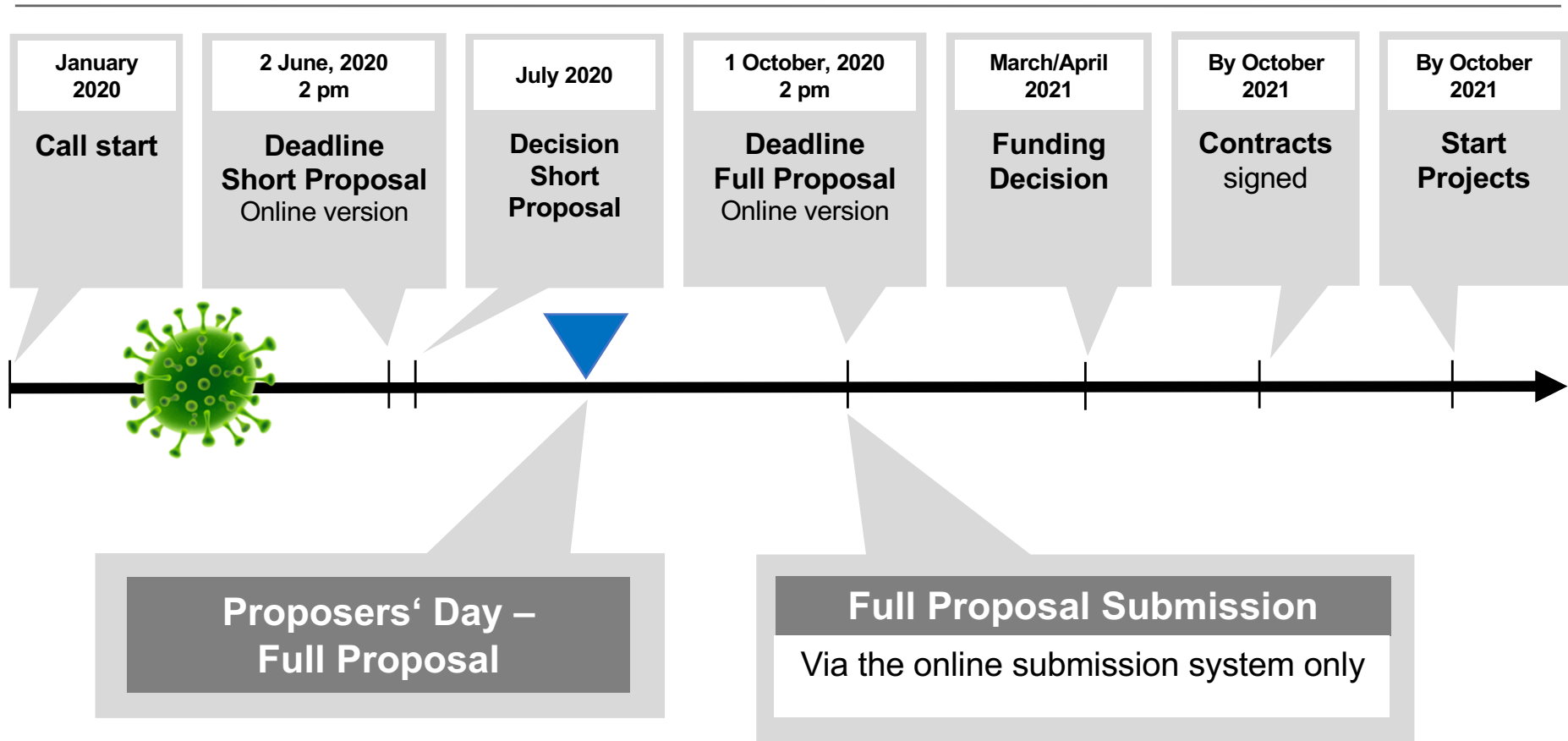
- ▶ clear question in precision medicine
- ▶ projects based on omics technologies and patient cohorts
- ▶ focus on human-diseases
- ▶ go beyond basic biomedical research
- ▶ be hypothesis-driven
- ▶ lead to better diagnoses/prognoses of diseases & stratified therapeutic strategies
- ▶ improve the understanding mechanisms leading to diseases or of drug failure
- ▶ scientific and clinical competences in biology, medicine and systems biology

WWTF Gender Policy

Our objectives are to:

- ▶ to implement gender-neutral processes
- ▶ raise awareness of gender bias (applicants, reviewers, panels)
- ▶ use evaluation criteria that account for career breaks and atypical career paths e.g. due to family circumstances
- ▶ Balanced teams & encourage more female researchers to apply as PIs of cutting-edge research projects
- ▶ New: Inclusion of potential sex-specific or gender-related aspects in the respective parts of the proposal
- ▶ [Information document available online](#)

Schedule & process of the current call



After the deadline

Full Proposal Formal check (WWTF)

Peer Review-Process

- Applicants must suggest 5 reviewers → conflict of interest check by WWTF
- Applicant may exclude up to 3 reviewers (confidential)
- A minimum of three reviews per proposal
- Reviews only by international reviewers

Jury meeting in Spring 2021

→ Funding recommendation to boards

Reviews as basis for discussion

Main evaluation criteria:

- **Scientific quality** and **innovativeness**
- **Scope** and **relevance** of the project
- Appropriate **approach** to address **clear** research question
- **Feasibility** of the working plan presented with Gantt-chart
- **Interdisciplinarity, collaboration, expertise** and **composition** of the team
- Consideration of **sex-specific** or **gender-related** aspects

Funding Decision

Decision

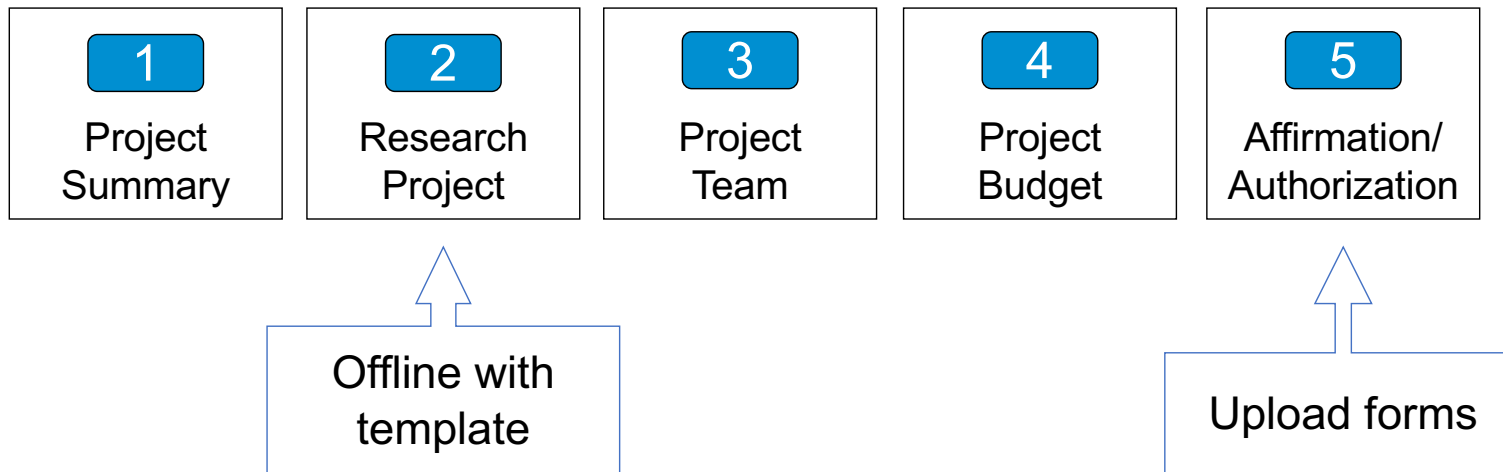
- Formal decision by the board of directors
- All applicants will receive a decision letter (rejections and acceptances) with anonymous reviews

Funding Contract

- WWTF Projects: Funding contract is between WWTF and the coordinator's host institution (according to § 27 of the 2002 University Law)
- Joint Projects: Funding contract is between WWTF and the coordinator's host institution (according to § 27 of the 2002 University Law) and host institution of the Lower Austrian Co-PI
- Coordinator has scientific and financial responsibility for the project
- Project start by ~October 2021 at the latest (6 months after the funding decision)

Full Proposal Structure

The full proposal consists of **5 parts**:



Research Project Structure

Template for Research Project: (max 15 pages incl. figures, images and tables)

Download in submission system

1) Introduction (about 4 pages)

- a) Subject of the research
- b) State of the art and key scientific challenges
- c) Own preliminary data

2) Hypotheses, objectives and expected outcomes (about 2 pages)

- a) Research questions and hypotheses
- b) Objectives of the project
- c) Expected results

3) Innovativeness and clinical relevance (about 2 pages)

- a) Innovativeness of the proposed research
- b) Contribution and relevance of the work to the field of Precision Medicine

Research Project Structure

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Research
Project

4) **Methodological approach** (about 4-5 pages)

- a) Research methods
- b) Research plan (including Gantt chart)
- c) Description of the patient cohort (including details about the sample numbers, stage of sample collection/ patient recruitment, power calculations, study design and preliminary data)
- d) Feasibility, risk management and mitigation strategy
- e) Data Management Plan (incl. dissemination of results)

5) **Personnel** (about 1 page)

- a) Justification and roles of personnel
- b) Interdisciplinary collaborative aspects
- c) Project management

6) **Key references** (about 1.5 pages)

Submission system

- ▶ <https://funding.wwtf.at>
- ▶ Login - > my proposals - > select current call
- ▶ Complete all parts of the proposal, upload necessary documents, and submit
 - ▶ Submission is only possible after the proposal has been fully completed
 - ▶ No amendments can be made after the submission

Submission system: Peer reviewers

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Project
Summary

International researchers only!

Suggested peers:

	Name *	Email *	Expertise *
Suggested peer evaluator 1	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
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Suggested peer evaluator 5	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

Mandatory

Excluded peers (optional):

Excluded peer evaluator 1:	<input type="text"/>
Excluded peer evaluator 2:	<input type="text"/>
Excluded peer evaluator 3:	<input type="text"/>

Optional

Submission system

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Research
Project

2. Research Project

Download "Research Project" (.docx)

Download template

Upload Research Project *
(max. 15 pages, PDF upload)

Datei auswählen

Keine Datei ausgewählt

perform upload

Upload research
proposal as
PDF once
finished

Ethical approval

We herewith confirm that for conducting the research associated with this proposal *

- ethical approval is not necessary.
- ethical approval by an ethics commission/institutional review board is required. We will obtain all necessary permits and follow all ethical regulations of our institution.

Potential ethical aspects * (max. 750 characters including spacing)

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Approval has to
be submitted
together with full
proposal

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 [Download Part II/2 as PDF document](#)

Submission system: Core Team Partners

3. Project Team

Concise description of the project responsibilities and competences of the project team members.

Principal Investigator

Profile of principal investigator and coordinator:

	Title:	First/given name(s):	Last name/surname:
	Ms.	Elisabeth	Nagl
	Highest academic title:	Staff category:	Employment at current institution by the time of submission of the proposal:
	Finished diploma degree	Senior personnel	permanent
	Year of birth:	Date of doctorate: (dd.mm.yyyy)	ORCID/Researcher ID:
	2000		
Affiliation	WWTF		
Region *	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Vienna <input type="radio"/> Lower Austria <input type="radio"/> Other		
Institute/Department/Group:	Programme Management		
Address:	Schlickgasse 3/12		
Zip code/city/country:	1090	Wien	Austria
Telephone:	+431402314319		
E-mail:	elisabeth.nagl@wwtf.at		
Homepage of Institute/Research Group:	www.wwtf.at		
Personal Scientific Website:	www.wwtf.at		
Scientific Expertise (max. 80 characters)	Research Funding		
Role and responsibilities within the project * (max. 500 characters including spacing)			
Specific competencies for the project * (max. 500 characters including spacing)			

Roles and names cannot be changed

Select staff category – relevant for cost table

Detailed information on core team

Updated CV can be uploaded

Upload CV

(max. 2 pages: 1 page personal details + 1 page publications, please use [our template](#) [Download: WWTF_CVtemplate.docx, 18KB])

CV of Ms. Elisabeth Nagl *



Test_CV.pdf [PDF, 25.57 KB] 

Submission system: Additional Institutions



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Project
Team

Partner Institution(s)

Partner Institution 1  

Partner institution: *	<input type="text"/>		
Institute/department/group: *	<input type="text"/>		
Address: *	<input type="text"/>		
Zip code/city/country: *	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

  add Partner Institution



Will automatically be added to the „Authorizations“

Additional partner institutions can be added (total max. 5)



Submission system: Additional persons

Additional persons

In order to prepare the overall budget per project partner in detail in Section "4. Project Budget", additional persons (including N.N.) might be added here. Please be aware that no CVs can be provided for them in Section "6. Appendix"!

Additional person 1  

Title:*	First/given name(s):*	Last name/surname:*
Mr. ▼	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Year of birth:*	Highest academic title:	Date of doctorate: (dd.mm.yyyy)
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Institution:*	<input type="text"/>	
Staff category*	Post Doc ▼	

Additional person 2  

Additional persons
working on the
project can be
added

Will automatically
be added to the
cost table

Submission system: Gender & HR

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Project
Team

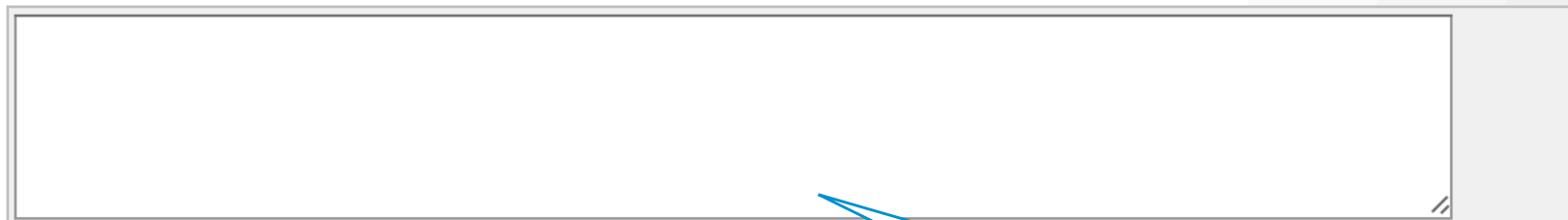
Project team composition & gender equality* (up to 500 characters)

Address gender
equality/balance in
your team

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Career development prospects and potential to secure additional funding* (up to 1000 characters)

Address career
development and
plans for future third-
party funding

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Project Budget

- ▶ Overhead costs: up to 20% of the direct costs
- ▶ Direct costs = Min. 60% Personnel Costs + max. 40% Non-personnel Costs
- ▶ No funding of companies
- ▶ Self-funded business partners are possible
- ▶ Project relevant services from companies can be calculated as consumables (if these services cannot be provided with reasonable effort by the team)
- ▶ Requested funding can differ from short proposal (explanation required)

WWTF Projects

- Funding volume: max. **900,000 €**
- PI in Vienna
- Budget distribution:
 - Vienna: min. 80%
 - Other (incl. Lower Austria): max. 20%

Joint Projects

- Funding volume: max. **1,000,000 €**
- PI in Vienna
- At least 1 co-PI in **Lower Austria**
- Budget distribution:
 - Vienna: min. 51%
 - Lower Austria: 20%-49%
 - Other: max 20%

Regional branches of Viennese institutions (e.g. BOKU, VetMed, AIT) located in Lower Austria are considered Viennese partners.

Submission system: personnel costs

Table 1: Planning of personnel costs

Costs in the rightmost column are calculated with a 3% annual salary increase.

Name	Staff category	Funding source	* Average yearly time commitment * (from 0 to 100%)			Y1 salary 100% in k€	Funding applied for from WWTF in k€
			M01-M12	M13-M24	M25-M36		
	Post Doc	<input checked="" type="radio"/> WWTF <input type="radio"/> in-kind <input type="radio"/> in-kind & WWTF	WWTF 0 %	WWTF 0 %	WWTF 0 %	0.0	0.0
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Total personnel costs applied for funding from WWTF in k€							0.0

Time commitment in %
of employment

Yearly salary
(FTE total gross salary,
including employer's
contributions)

3% annual salary
increase included

Please be aware that
the PhD salary listed
by FWF is for a 75% /
30 hours position.

Submission system: other costs

Table 2: Planning of project related costs for equipment, materials, travelling, publications, organization of workshops/ conferences/ ..., and other costs

Costs in the rightmost column are calculated for the whole project duration.

Description	Cost category	Institution	Funding applied for from WWTF in k€
	please select	please select	0.00
	please select		
Total non-personnel costs applied for			0.00

add another row

Table 3: Total funding applied for per institution

	Personnel costs	Equipment, materials, travelling, other costs	Overhead percentage (max. 20%)	Overhead in k€ (flat rate paid by WWTF to institution)	Funding applied for from WWTF in k€
Institution 1	0.00	0.0	0 %	0.00	0.00
Institution 2	0.0	0.0	0 %	0.00	0.00
Institution 3	0.0	0.0	0 %	0.00	0.00
Total funding applied for from WWTF in k€	0.00	0.00		0.00	0.00

Select cost category & insert requested funding

Includes costs for open access → see WWTF open access policy

Overview table – calculated automatically

Insert overhead costs – up to 20%

Submission system: other costs

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Project
Budget

Table 4: Budget per region

Region	Funding applied for	% per region
Vienna	0.00 k€	- %
Lower Austria	0.00 k€	- %
Other	0.00 k€	- %

Overview budget per region - calculated automatically

Explanation of Cost Planning* (max. 3000 characters including spacing)

Explain how you intend to spend the funding in detail.

Deviations of the budget submitted in the short proposal require an explanation

Submission system: double funding

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Project
Budget

Disclosure of other applications for funding: Is the project (or parts of it) already subject to ongoing requests for funding? * (max. 750 characters including spacing)

Submission system: Signatures

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Affirmation/
Authorization

- ▶ Can be downloaded before the proposal is complete
- ▶ WWTF-projects are § 27-projects (for universities)
 - ▶ A commitment from the involved universities or research institution is necessary, the coordinator's institution will be the contract partner
 - ▶ **Affirmations:** Signature of the PIs / Core team members + Date
 - ▶ **Authorization: Signature** of the authorized person from the involved institutions of the PIs / Core team members + **Date + Stamp**
 - ▶ Be aware of internal regulations of the respective institutions
 - ▶ Contact the research services unit/grant managers in advance

Submission system: Signatures

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Affirmation/ Authorization

- ▶ PDFs will be generated automatically using the information about the core team and hosting institutions
- ▶ Download as PDF document
- ▶ Print for signatures
- ▶ Scan signed sheets and upload (up to 6 pages in one PDF document)

5. Affirmations and Authorization

5a. Affirmations

Please take notice of the data privacy statement of WWTF with regard to the evaluation of research proposals.

In signing the application form, all persons involved (project manager, partners) undertake that the information provided in the application form is, to the best of their knowledge and belief, accurate and complete. They confirm the following:


- All relevant material changes will be promptly communicated to WWTF.
- All persons agree not to exploit intellectual property as individuals, but, if in any way possible, within the set of rules of their Home institutions. All publications have to mention WWTF as a funding institution.
- The persons involved will ensure compliance with all legal and procedural requirements regarding safety, ethic issues, notification requirements and any other relevant regulations.
- All persons involved have taken notice of the WWTF data privacy statement.
- The persons involved confirm that the work plan submitted for WWTF funding is currently not subject to third party funding (like FWF, EU-funding, any other regional, national or international funding).
- The persons involved pledge to disclose if they intend to apply / have applied for funding for the same work plan at other funding sources.

Name	Institution	Date, signature
Ms. Elisabeth Nagl	WWTF	

5b. Authorization

In signing the application form, the institution (i.e. the institutional level authorised and responsible for signing, if not legally identical with principal applicant) undertakes that the information provided in the application form, is to the best of their knowledge and belief, accurate and complete. It is hereby confirmed that

- The institution agrees to the use of space, equipment, personnel and other resources as stated in the application. The institution agrees to provide its own contribution as described in the application.
- The institution is willing to co-operate with WWTF, in an appropriate way, and its chosen partners regarding the application and protection of intellectual property arising from the project to be funded.

Institution	Signing person	Date, stamp, signature
WWTF		
Institute of Molecular Biotechnology		


Signatures

Please provide one PDF file containing (only) the scanned sheets with all the required signatures!
You can generate the signature sheet at the bottom of the page after the team data (PI, etc.) and proposal title has been provided.

Signatures (max. 6 pages):*

Keine ausgewählt

We only accept PDF-format (preferable pdf version 1.4 without any encryptions) for your upload.

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Submit!

Online Submission System

by 2pm on the 1st of October 2020

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