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Joint Transnational Call for Proposals (2024) for

Identification or Validation of Targets for Personalised Medicine Approaches (PMTargets)

(EP PerMed Grant 101137129)

Guidelines for Applicants

Important Deadlines

Submission of pre-proposals: 05 March 2024 at 17:00 (CET)
Submission of invited full-proposals: 20 June 2024 at 17:00 (CEST)

Link to the electronic proposal submission tool:
https://ptoutline.eu/app/eppermed2024

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

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European Partnership for Personalised Medicine

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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, 38 funding organisations have agreed to launch the first Joint Transnational Call (JTC) 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 in human health.

The JTC2024 aims to fund research that fosters the identification or validation of targets for personalised medicine approaches. Applicants submitting a proposal to this call must combine the research on new and advanced targets with companion biomarker research. Consortia are required to be transnational, interdisciplinary and trans-sectoral as well as to clearly outline the personalised medicine perspective in the research proposed. Please read the call text for further details.

2. 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 targets. 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 targets or strategies.
- **Clinical research:** The translation of research from bench to bedside is essential 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

[1] https://www.eppermed.eu/action-areas/sria/

products by the private sector, and the implementation in healthcare. Furthermore, the active involvement of clinicians may support the identification of relevant and feasible targets for 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:** 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. 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 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 principles, General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) and local legislation (see also section 5 of the call text “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 and caregivers or patient representatives, 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 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 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.

3. Patient involvement

A key end-user group is the patient community living with a disease. When referring to patients, caregivers and patient advocates/representatives from patient organisations are included. Involving end-users 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 patients.

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

4. 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 (open in mid-January, 2024): https://partnering.dlr-pt.de/EPPerMedJTC2024
- 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.structuralbiology.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:
  - 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**:

  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 principles**[2]**, the General Data Protection Regulation**[3] **and in accordance with ethical principles**[4] **for data management)**. The project coordinator is responsible for sending the complete DMP no later than three months after the official start of the project to the JCS.

  Compliance to the DMP must be reported in each annual scientific project progress report.
- 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:

[2] 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/
[4] http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/data/ref/h2020/grants_manual/hi/ethics/h2020_hi_ethics-self-assess_en.pdf, http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/data/ref/h2020/grants_manual/hi/ethics/h2020_hi_ethics-data-protection_en.pdf

- 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/

5. Inclusion of sex or gender analysis

Sex and gender represent key elements in research. In particular, gender equality shall be considered in two dimensions (see also call text):

- 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 sex or gender analysis in the proposals is part of the evaluation as an evaluation sub-criterion.

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 2020:

https://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/docs/h2020-funding-guide/cross-cutting-issues/gender_en.htm

6. Registration

Research project consortia who intend to submit a transnational proposal should register at https://ptoutline.eu/app/eppermed2024, click on "**sign up**" and follow the further instructions. The system will likely open on 12th January 2024. To register, please complete the different sections as soon as possible.

7. 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 annex 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 (available likely on 12th January 2024): https://ptoutline.eu/app/eppermed2024.

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, Calibri 11, 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: **05 March 2024 (17:00, CET)**

Deadline to submit full-proposals: **20 June 2024 (17:00, 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 II 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, you can contact the Joint Call Secretariat at:

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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 II 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”).

8. 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 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 Committee[5] (CSC) members are kept for the purpose of the call communication. The information will be published with prior consent of the respective management bodies.

9. Eligible annexes in the pre- and full-proposal stage

There will be the possibility to add the following annexes (it is indicated in brackets at which stage the documents have to be provided):

- Annex 1 – Ethical self-assessment (Mandatory), at full-proposal stage – template is provided as annex to the full-proposal form;
- Annex 2 – Description of the exploratory clinical study (if any), at full-proposal stage – template is provided as annex to the full-proposal form;
- Annex 3 – Description of Animal Research Projects (if any), at full-proposal stage – template is provided as annex to 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), to be uploaded as separate file on PT-Outline;
- Annex 5 – Supporting letters (at every stage) or endorsement letters (at every stage) in free format (if any), to be uploaded as separate file on PT-Outline.

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

10. Annex I: List of National Contacts

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11. Annex II: 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	1,8 Mio. € Anticipated number of funded research groups: 3- 4 projects
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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/ Guidelines Clinical Research: Application guidelines Principal Investigator Project (PROFI mode) (fwf.ac.at) / Application Guidelines for Clinical Research (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” (preproposal)”. The deadline for submission is **06 March 2024 (14:00, CET)**. For the full-proposal stage, applicants must choose the programme category “PIN – International Projects” The deadline for full-proposal submission is **21 June 2024 (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 (Personnel Costs — FWF) indicates the salaries that may be requested.
Funding of public-private partnerships allowed	Yes
Further guidance	Europäische Partnerschaft PerMed — FWF

Belgium (Flanders, FIO (VLAIO))

Funding Organisation	**Vlaams Gewest - VLAIO Flanders Innovation & Entrepreneurship, (FIO (VLAIO))**
Initial funding pre-commitment	1 M EUR The maximum amount of requested funding per project is 750kEUR for a total period of three years.
Regional/National contact for the EP PerMed JTC2024	Patricia Menten Tel: +32 2 432 43 29 patricia.menten@vlaio.be Lieve Apers Tel: +32 16 66 65 00 lieve.apers@vlaio.be
Eligible institutions	Information on the eligible institutions can be found in the Explanatory document on VLAIO R&D projects and feasibility studies (pp 6-11). Important: in this call, enterprises that still have to set up an operational office in Flanders at the time of submission are NOT eligible to receive funding. In summary: **For profit companies** • ***Private companies with legal entity***: All companies with legal entity, ranging from SMEs to Flemish branches of multinational enterprises, with an operational office in Flanders and operational research and development work in Flanders are eligible for support. The enterprises must be able to put the results of the project into practice in Flanders to a sufficient extent and create added value in the form of economic impact. They should have sufficient co-financing (with own/private funds) for the project. “Undertakings in difficulty” at the time of decision cannot be funded. If a company is an “undertaking in difficulty” at the moment of submission, the project can only be eligible if a plan has been enclosed to remediate the status of “undertaking in difficulty”.

	• ***Public companies with legal entity***: Support may be granted to Flemish public companies only for projects in which they effectively collaborate with Flemish private companies, with the public company bearing no more than 70% of the eligible costs in the Flemish project part receiving support. In addition, public companies must meet the same requirements as private companies. They should have sufficient co-financing (with own/private funds) for the project and the prospects for valorisation should not touch upon any publicly funded projects run by the organization. **Enterprises in the non-profit sector (with legal entity):** Private and public organizations from the non-profit sector are eligible to receive support for their research and development activities as part of the innovation aid regulation under the same conditions as for-profit companies. **Please note:** • Hospitals are considered as companies. They are eligible, but they must meet the same requirements as other companies. • Research or academic institutions are NOT eligible as applicant/beneficiary of the VLAIO support. They can however (if relevant) be included as a subcontractor. • Project results should lead to sufficient economic added value (employment, investments). This also applies when not-for-profit enterprises are included in the Flemish consortium. More information on this requirement can be found in the Explanatory document on VLAIO R&D projects and feasibility studies (pp 21-23).
Additional eligibility criteria	The standard eligibility criteria can be consulted via the following links: • For research projects: Eligibility requirements for the research project grant | Flanders innovation & entrepreneurship (vlaio.be) • For development projects: Which enterprises and projects are eligible for the Development Project subsidy? | Flanders innovation & entrepreneurship (vlaio.be) For this call, there are some deviations: - the maximum subsidy that can be requested for the Flemish project part is 750kEUR. - the maximum number of pages for the Flemish annex is 15 pages/Flemish partner.

Eligible costs	The eligible activities and the subsidy percentage for the research projects and development projects are described in the Explanatory document on VLAIO R&D projects and feasibility studies (pp 11 -17). Information on the eligible costs can be consulted in the guide to the VLAIO cost model. Please be aware that dissemination activities are not eligible in this funding scheme for companies of VLAIO.
Funding of public-private partnerships allowed	Yes, but please read section “eligible institutions”.
Further guidance	Please be aware that, in addition to the submission of the international application at the EP PerMed platform, the Flemish enterprises need to submit an application on the VLAIO e-portal as well (same deadline as the international pre-proposal). • For a research project, please use the pink button “apply” on the following link: Application process for research project grant | Flanders innovation & entrepreneurship (vlaio.be) and choose EP PerMed in the list of international networks. • For a development project, please use the pink button “apply” on the following link: How to apply for the Development Project subsidy | Flanders innovation & entrepreneurship (vlaio.be) and choose EP PerMed in the list of international networks. Templates that need to be submitted can be found in the above links, and include: “Template annex for international and interregional projects – July 2023”, and “Template budget application – July 2021”. If you would like to submit a project in this call, we strongly advise you to contact Patricia Menten (patricia.menten@vlaio.be) or Lieve Apers (lieve.apers@vlaio.be) well in advance of the deadline for submission.

Belgium (Flanders, FWO)

Funding Organisation	**The Research Foundation – Flanders, (FWO)**
Initial funding pre-commitment	700.000 EUR
Regional/National contact for the EP PerMed JTC2024	FO: Toon Monbaliu - Tel. +32 (0)2 550 15 70 SBO: Kristien Peeters - Tel. +32 (0)2 550 15 95 Email: europe@fwo.be
Eligible institutions	The FWO integrates two of its national/regional funding channels within this multilateral framework. The choice of funding channel depends on the type of project the researchers from Flanders wish to undertake. The scope and the eligibility of institutions and its researchers can be verified in the relevant chosen funding channel regulations, which can be consulted on the FWO website: - Fundamental Research Projects (FO) - Strategic Basic Research Projects (SBO)
Additional eligibility criteria	• 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** (and only once if they act as coordinator in one of the proposals). • 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 Fundamental Research Projects and article 14 of the Strategic Basic Research (SBO) regulations do not apply in this context. 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 this, and when it comes to the Fundamental research project regulations (FO): article 10, §7 is not applicable in this framework. I.e. supervisors (-spokespersons), or coordinators/consortium partners who

	are granted **emeritus** status during the calendar year of submission of the project application or during the duration of the project are **not eligible**.
Eligible costs	The respective funding channel regulations apply (see links to national rules above), and both are capped at max. 350.000 EUR per project/consortium (incl. overhead, for which the calculation method diverges per funding channel). The FWO foresees a budget of 700.000 EUR, which allows for the funding of at least 2 projects. For the overhead calculation, the fundamental (FO) and strategic research projects (SBO) entail the same approach: a structural overhead rate should be applied on the total project costs, with an overhead rate of 6% for FO projects, and a 17% overhead rate for SBO projects. Some practical examples: • FO: 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. SBO: 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.
Funding of public-private partnerships allowed	yes
Further guidance	**!! NEW !!** Applicants for FWO funding must submit a **mandatory administrative application via the** FWO e-portal. - For fundamental research projects (FO) select the application type: “Research projects – European programme fundamental research”. - For strategic basis 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 single online form should be submitted containing all relevant information from the different Flemish partners. The deadline to submit the administrative application to the FWO is identical to the deadline of the joint transnational call (preproposal stage). **Failure to comply with these requirements can lead to ineligibility.** To ensure the eligibility of the proposal it is strongly advised to consult the FWO administration (see contact details above) at least one week before the submission deadline.

Belgium (Walloon Region)

Funding Organisation	**Public Service of Wallonia Economy, Employment and Research, (SPW EER) (https://recherche.wallonie.be/home.html)**
Initial funding pre-commitment	1 Mio. € Anticipated number of funded research groups: 3 projects
Regional/National contact for the EP PerMed JTC2024	Mr. Thierry Lemoine Thierry.lemoine@spw.wallonie.be Tel: +32 81 33 45 26
Eligible institutions	Academia, Research centers, Companies
Additional eligibility criteria	**At least one Walloon company must be part of the consortium with at least 40% of the Walloon budget (see all eligibility criteria on our dedicated webpage)**
Eligible costs	https://recherche.wallonie.be/guide-depenses-eligibles
Funding of public-private partnerships allowed	Yes
Further guidance	Contact your regional contact before submitting a proposal

Belgium (Wallonia-Brussels Federation)

Funding Organisation	**Fund for Scientific Research – FNRS, (F.R.S.-FNRS)**
Initial funding pre-commitment	300.000 € per project for 3 years
Regional/National contact for the EP PerMed JTC2024	Dr. Agnès Roba (+32 2 504 9236) Joël Groeneveld (+32 2 504 9270) international@frs-fnrs.be
Eligible institutions	All eligibility rules and criteria can be found in the PINT-MULTI regulations.
Additional eligibility criteria	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 call 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.
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 euros for this call. **Clinical studies are not eligible for funding by the F.R.S.-FNRS** **“Overhead” is not an eligible cost**. If the project is selected for funding, these costs will be subject to a separate agreement between the institution of the beneficiary and the F.R.S.-FNRS.
Funding of public-private partnerships allowed	The F.R.S.-FNRS can only fund basic research in public research institutions of the Wallonia-Brussels Federation. It is possible, however, for these researchers to participate in a project where there are also private partners involved as long as the research performed in the Wallonia-Brussels Federation remains fundamental.
Further guidance	https://www.frs-fnrs.be/fr/calendrier-des-appels

Denmark

Funding Organisation	**Innovation Fund Denmark, (IFD)**
Initial funding pre-commitment	1.000.000 €
Regional/National contact for the EP PerMed JTC2024	**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 and 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:innovationsfonden.dk/sites/default/files/2022-03/Guidelines%20for%20international%20programmes%202.%20marts%202022%20.pdf Additional documents: innovationsfonden.dk/da/p/internationalt-samarbejde#accordion7240

Estonia

Funding Organisation	**Estonian Research Council, (ETAG)**
Initial funding pre-commitment	300 000 EUR max. 150 000 EUR as a project partner and max. 300 000 EUR as a project coordinator.
Regional/National contact for the EP PerMed JTC2024	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 with social security charges and all other statutory costs 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; - consumables and minor equipment related to the project; - publication and dissemination of project results; - organising meetings, seminars or conferences (room rent, catering); - fees for participating in scientific forums, conferences and other events 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 comply with the eligible 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. **Indirect costs** (overhead) may not exceed 15% of the personnel costs and should cover the general expenses of the Host Institution. Costs for equipment and services intended for public use (e.g. a copy machine or a printer that is publicly used, phone bills, copy service, etc.) should be covered from the overhead. Double funding of activities is not acceptable. 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://etag.ee/wp-content/uploads/2022/07/Vastavusnouded-RV-uhiskonkurssidel_-EN_veebr.2023.pdf

Finland (BFRK)

Funding Organisation	**Innovaatiorahoituskeskus Business Finland, (BFRK)**
Initial funding pre-commitment	3.000.000 per year
Regional/National contact for the EP PerMed JTC2024	Matti Hiltunen matti.hiltunen@businessfinland.fi
Eligible institutions	Research organisations, for-profit companies
Additional eligibility criteria	https://www.businessfinland.fi/en/for-finnish-customers/services/funding/guidelines-terms-and-forms/funding-terms https://www.businessfinland.fi/en/for-finnish-customers/services/funding
Eligible costs	See above
Funding of public-private partnerships allowed	Yes
Further guidance	

Finland (AKA)

Funding Organisation	**Research Council of Finland, (AKA)**
Initial funding pre-commitment	850 000€, Anticipated number of funded research groups: ~3
Regional/National contact for the EP PerMed JTC2024	Rita Rinnankoski-Tuikka, Marko Uutela
Eligible institutions	Finnish research organisations such as higher education institutes, research institutes, technology transfer organisations, innovation intermediaries, regardless of their legal status (organised under public or private law). The funding is not granted to support economic activity. Economic activity is defined as all activity where goods or services are offered on an open market regardless of whether profits are pursued or generated. When an organisation is also engaged in economic activities, separate accounts must be kept of the funding and costs of and the revenue generated by such activities. Funding may be granted for economic activity only if it can be granted in keeping with the EU’s state aid rules in the form of de minimis aid.
Additional eligibility criteria	In addition to a doctoral degree, the principal investigator (PI) of the proposed project must also have other significant scientific merits.
Eligible costs	The funding can be used to cover both direct costs (e.g. salaries, mobility of researchers, consumables, travel expenses, purchases of services, overheads) and indirect costs (e.g. rents for premises) of a research project. All costs are covered with the same funding percentage. Research Council’s contribution to funding can be up to 70% of the total project costs. The host institution has to commit at least 30 % of the total project costs. Please ensure the commitment of the host institution before submitting the proposal.
Funding of public-private partnerships allowed	Yes
Further guidance	Please refer to the Research Council of Finland’s funding terms and conditions for further detail (https://www.aka.fi/en/research-funding/apply-for-funding/how-to-use-funding/). Terms concerning Academy Project funding apply. In case of positive funding recommendation from PM JTC2024 call, the applicant is invited to submit the proposal also in the Research Council of Finland’s online services for national decision.

France

Funding Organisation	**Agence Nationale de la Recherche, (ANR) – https://anr.fr/**
Initial funding pre-commitment	3.5 Mio. € Anticipated number of funded research groups: ~13
Regional/National contact for the EP PerMed JTC2024	Monika Frenzel Tel: (+33) (0) 1 73 54 83 32 Mathias Vetillard +33 1 78 09 80 36 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 forbids double funding and will not finance projects or parts of projects that have been funded through other calls. ANR will cross-check the proposals submitted to ANR through the national and international calls for possible demands of double funding. - 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. 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. This list might evolve and application measures be taken accordingly.
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. 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 ». 14,5% 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 2024: https://anr.fr/fr/plan-daction-2024/ 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 “*Modalités de participation*” and “*Règlement financier*”, the latter shall prevail.

Germany (BMBF)

Funding Organisation	**German Federal Ministry of Education and Research, (BMBF)** **www.gesundheitsforschung-bmbf.de**
Initial funding pre-commitment	3 Mio. € in total for proposals applying for BMBF funding. Anticipated number of funded research groups: 10
Regional/National contact for the EP PerMed JTC2024	German Aerospace Center - Project Management Agency (DLR-PT, for BMBF) Health Research Heinrich-Konen-Straße 1 53227 Bonn Germany Dr. Alexandra Becker +49 (0) 228 3821 2211 PerMed@dlr.de
Eligible institutions	Legal bodies: • Universities (incl. university hospitals) • Clinical and public health institutions • Non-university research institutes • Commercial enterprises and industry • Patient Organisations Note: Commercial enterprises and industry are funded according to article 25 AGVO for research and development projects.
Additional eligibility criteria	**Within one consortium, no more than one partner can apply for BMBF funding, with the exception of patient organisations that can also apply as second BMBF-funded partner in a consortium.** 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 BMBF funded project partners may not focus their work on ELSA research, health economics, health informatics or health services research. 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 http://www.gesundheitsforschung-bmbf.de/index.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, (BMG)**
Initial funding pre-commitment	2.0 Mio. EUR
Regional/National contact for the EP PerMed JTC2024	German Aerospace Center - Project Management Agency (DLR-PT, for BMG), Division Health 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 (incl. university hospitals) • Clinical and public health institutions • Non-university research institutes • Commercial enterprises and industry • Patient Organisations Note: Commercial enterprises and industry are funded according to article 25 AGVO for research and development projects.
Additional eligibility criteria	Only one German organization per project will be funded by BMG. Organizations need a legal entity in Germany.
Eligible costs	• Personnel • Consumables • Subcontracts • Equipment • Travel • Other project-related costs Every project partner has to contribute at least 10% of the total project costs from own funds. The maximum amount of budget that can be requested by each applicant applying for BMG funding is 300,000 €
Funding of public-private partnerships allowed	Yes
Further guidance	https://projekttraeger.dlr.de/de/foerderung/foerderangebote-und-programme/eppermed-jtc2024-BMG

Germany (Saxony)

Funding Organisation	**Saxon State Ministry for Science, Culture and Tourism, (SMWK)**
Initial funding pre-commitment	1.400.000 EUR
Regional/National contact for the EP PerMed JTC2024	Gabriele Süptitz gabriele.sueptitz@smwk.sachsen.de EuProNet@smwk.sachsen.de Tel.: +49 351 564-64210
Eligible institutions	For Saxon Universities and Research institutions see RL EuProNet For Saxon Enterprises see FRL EFRE/JTF Technologieförderung 2021 bis 2027
Additional eligibility criteria	none
Eligible costs	For Saxon Universities and Research institutions see RL EuProNet For Saxon Enterprises see FRL EFRE/JTF Technologieförderung 2021 bis 2027
Funding of public-private partnerships allowed	Yes
Further guidance	For Saxon Universities and Research institutions see RL EuProNet For Saxon Enterprises see FRL EFRE/JTF Technologieförderung 2021 bis 2027

Hungary

Funding Organisation	**National Research Development and Innovation Office, (NKFIH)**
Initial funding pre-commitment	500 000 EUR
Regional/National contact for the EP PerMed JTC2024	Dr. Klára Horváth
Eligible institutions	Eligible applicants from Hungary are entities falling under any of the following GFO codes: • enterprise with legal entity (GFO code: 11X) • non-profit organisation with legal entity (GFO code: 5XX) • budgetary units and entities (e.g. higher education institutions, municipalities;) (GFO code: 3XX) • enterprise with a registered office in the European Economic Area and a branch in Hungary (GFO: 226).
Additional eligibility criteria	
Eligible costs	All research-related costs in accordance with government decree 380/2014 (XII.31) are eligible. In case a partner is subject to State Aid rules, funding intensity shall be set at a level that complies with the State Aid rules in force at the time of the funding decision.
Funding of public-private partnerships allowed	Yes
Further guidance	The Guide for Applicants for the 2019-2.1.7-ERA-NET national call is applicable.

Iceland

Funding Organisation	**Icelandic Centre for Research, (Rannis)**
Initial funding pre-commitment	300.000 €
Regional/National contact for the EP PerMed JTC2024	Helga Snævarr Kristjánsdottir
Eligible institutions	Universities and Research Organizations
Additional eligibility criteria	
Eligible costs	According to the IRF Handbook see link below
Funding of public-private partnerships allowed	Yes, but only public entities are eligible to receive funding
Further guidance	https://www.rannis.is/media/rannsoknasjodur/IRF_Handbook.pdf

Ireland (HRB)

Funding Organisation	**Health Research Board, (HRB)**
Initial funding pre-commitment	€430,000 (inclusive of overheads) for partners This may be raised to €530,000 for coordinators.
Regional/National contact for the EP PerMed JTC2024	Dr Siobhán Hackett eujointprogrammes@hrb.ie
Eligible institutions	Lead applicants (Principal Investigators) requesting funds from HRB must be from a recognised HRB Host Institution (Policy on Approval of HRB Host Institutions). Partners classed as ‘Enterprise’ cannot be in receipt of HRB funding.
Additional eligibility criteria	Irish Partner(s) are not eligible for HRB funding for: • Proposals involving basic biomedical research. • Research intended to create human embryos solely for the purposes of research or for the purposes of stem cell procurement, including by means of somatic cell nuclear transfer. Please see HRB’s dedicated scheme page on HRB’s funding page for Guidance and FAQ specific to applicants based in Ireland.
Eligible costs	Funding available is inclusive of overheads and pension contributions • Salary related costs • Direct running costs, including patient-related costs • Patient and Public Involvement (PPI) costs • Small equipment costs (€10,000) • Travel • FAIR data management costs • Dissemination and knowledge exchange costs For consortium coordinators, the additional €100,000 for coordination-specific activities will not cover equipment or consumables. For more information, please see HRB’s guidance on the dedicated scheme page on HRB’s funding page.
Funding of public-private partnerships allowed	Yes

Further guidance	• Applicants must submit a short information form at submission to provide details on PI’s track record for eligibility checks. • A letter of support will be required at submission stage for any Lead Applicants who do not have a permanent post at a HRB Host Institution. Please refer to the guidance on the HRB scheme page for further information. • Applicants will have to complete HRB’s Budget and Deliverables templates. These will be supplied after invitation to submit a full proposal. • All Irish partners who are undertaking feasibility and/or interventional studies must adhere to the HRB Clinical Trial and Interventions Research Governance Policy.

Ireland (SFI)

Funding Organisation	**Science Foundation Ireland, (SFI)**
Initial funding pre-commitment	1.500.000 €
Regional/National contact for the EP PerMed JTC2024	Dr Maria Nash maria.nash@sfi.ie eu-cofund@sfi.ie
Eligible institutions	All eligible Irish Research Performing Organisations
Additional eligibility criteria	Adherence to SFI eligibility criteria guidelines upon call launch. See the following for further information https://www.sfi.ie/funding/sfi-policies-and-guidance/eligibility-related-information/ Applicants are required to contact SFI at eu-cofund@sfi.ie prior to submission of pre-proposals. For further guidance on state aid please see https://www.sfi.ie/funding/sfi-policies-and-guidance/state-aid/
Eligible costs	Eligible Costs • Salary-related costs • Small equipment costs • Travel • Direct running costs • Dissemination and knowledge exchange costs • Overheads (overhead is calculated as 30% of the direct costs, but excluding therefrom the cost of all equipment identified in the application) Ineligible Costs The partner cannot request a salary
Funding of public-private partnerships allowed	SFI can fund successful applicants from eligible (public) research performing organisations.
Further guidance	National guidelines to be updated following call launch. For any further information please contact SFI.

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 Euros
Regional/National contact for the EP PerMed JTC2024	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. *Under topic 2 of the call (targets already discovered) CSO-MOH will fund only investigator-initiated clinical studies – including: registration trials, repurposing trials, comparative effectiveness and optimization trials.
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

Italy (IT-MoH)

Funding Organisation	**Italian Ministry of Health, (IT-MoH)**
Initial funding pre-commitment	2.000.000 € Anticipated number of fundable proposals: 5
Regional/National contact for the EP PerMed JTC2024	Maria Josè Ruiz Alvarez 06 5994.3214 Tel. (+39) 06 4990 6836 mj.ruizalvarez-esterno@sanita.it Chiara Ciccarelli Tel. (+39) 06-5994 3919 c.ciccarelli@sanita.it
Eligible institutions	Only IRCCS (Istituti di Ricovero e Cura a Carattere Scientifico) researchers are eligible to apply. Organisations not eligible to apply: Universities, other research Institutes, companies.
Additional eligibility criteria	Maximum funding per grant awarded to a project partner: 400.000 € per project Simultaneous PI participation in different 2024 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. If 2 PIs applying for funding from IT MoH participate in the same consortium, the maximum total budget of 400.000€ will be slipped among the two.
Eligible costs	**Direct Costs**: • Personnel (only temporary contracts, max 50%); • Consumables; • Animals; • Equipment (only on hire); • Travel (max 10%); • Documentation (Max 1%) **Indirect Costs:** • Overhead (max 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 (the form can be requested to national contact persons)
Funding of public-private partnerships allowed	Yes. Italian PAOs can be funded as a sub-contracts of an IRCCS if they fulfil the eligibility criteria of the EC. The maximum cost eligible for a sub-contract is 25.000 Euros (from the IRCCS Budget). Italian PAOs can still participate in Consortia as “Collaborators” with their own funds
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_listaFile_itemName_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 Corrente). Further information on the rules of the Ministry of Health can be requested to the national contact persons.

Italy (MUR)

Funding Organisation	**Ministero dell’Università e della Ricerca, (MUR)**
Initial funding pre-commitment	€ 1.000.000
Regional/National contact for the EP PerMed JTC2024	Aldo Covello Aldo.covello@mur.gov.it Tel. +39 375 510 2431
Eligible institutions	The following entities are eligible, providing that they have stable organization in Italy: enterprises including foundations and non-economic entities, hospitals (as long as they provide in the statutory purposes the execution of research activities), universities, research institutions, research organizations in accordance with EU Reg. n. 651/2014 of the European Commission - June 17, 2014.
Additional eligibility criteria	Any participant, in order to be eligible, must comply with the eligibility criteria listed in the “Avviso integrativo nazionale” In addition to the project proposal which shall be submitted at European level, **Italian participants are requested to submit a national additional application to MUR**, through the national web platform, available at the following link: https://banditransnazionali-miur.cineca.it The national additional application must be submitted by the same deadline established in the international joint call. **Participant who does not submit national documentation by the deadline are considered not eligible for funding**. Applicants shall: • not be defaulting with regard to other funding received by the Ministry of University and Research; • not have requested/got any other funding for the same project; • be compliant to the Italian law "D.Lgs. n 159 del 6/09/2011 e successive modificazioni ed integrazioni"; • not be subject to bankruptcy proceedings as of art. 5, comma 4, letter b) of DM 1314/2021 or must not be a company in difficulty according to the definition under number 18) of article 2 "Definitions" of Regulation (EU) no. 651/2014; • be in compliance with the obligations laid down in the contributory and social security regulations (DURC) • Applicants shall demonstrate their viability and financial soundness regarding their own contribution to the project. For any private entity, if the following financial criteria, calculated using the data reported in the last approved balance sheet, are not fulfilled, the applicant can be funded only if a bank guarantee is provided: a) CN > (CP – I)/2

	Where: • CN = net assets (Capitale netto) • CP = sum of the costs of all the projects for which public funding has been requested by the participant during the year • I = sum of the contributions received, approved or requested for the same projects b) OF/F < 8% Where: • OF = financial charges (Oneri finanziari) • F = turnover (Fatturato)
Eligible costs	All R&D activities considered as: Basic research, Industrial/Applied research and Experimental development are eligible for funding. However, Basic Research and Industrial/Applied research activities must be predominant with respect to Experimental development activities (in terms of budget share). All costs incurred during the lifetime of the project under the following categories are eligible: A) Personnel, B) Consulting and equivalent services (subcontracting) C.1) Travel and subsistence C.2) Equipment C.3) Other goods and Services E) Indirect Costs/Overheads (“Spese generali”) calculated at 25% flat rate of all direct costs excluding cost category B Consulting and equivalent services [E = 25% of (A + C.1 + C.2 + C.3)].
Funding of public-private partnerships allowed	Yes
Further guidance	Funding rates • Basic research: 70% • Industrial research: 70% • Experimental development: 25% Maximum funding per project: € 250,000.00

Italy (Lombardy)

Funding Organisation	**Fondazione Regionale per la Ricerca Biomedica - Regional Foundation for Biomedical Research, (FRRB)**
Initial funding pre-commitment	1.500.000 €
Regional/National contact for the EP PerMed JTC2024	Carmen De Francesco, Erica Torti Address: Via Taramelli 12, 20124 – Milano, Italy Tel.: (+39) 02 6765.0166 Tel.: (+39) 02 6765.0170 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 refer to the definition of research institutes and organisations on the FRRB webpage. 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. Principal Investigators (PIs) who submit a proposal without sending the “*Eligibility*

	check form” beforehand will be automatically excluded. 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 JCT2024 unless their project is closed before the deadline for EP PERMED JCT2024 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	Administrative and financial guidelines will be provided by FRRB in due time.

Italy (Tuscany)

Funding Organisation	**Tuscany Region, (RT)**
Initial funding pre-commitment	Up to 0.3 Mio. € 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 JTC2024	**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: • dissemination of results (publications, organization of meetings/workshops etc.- up to 5% of the requested fund);

	• 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 will be published in due time on Tuscany Region’s website

Latvia

Funding Organisation	**Latvian Council of Science, (LZP)**
Initial funding pre-commitment	600.000 EUR
Regional/National contact for the EP PerMed JTC2024	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 can be funded by LZP: 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, must prove 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 (R651/2014) together with financial reporting requirements, in this case this 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 evidence of previous scientific activity and presence of capacity. Final audit of records necessary.
Additional eligibility criteria	**Maximums 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

	Final audit according to the LCS regulations. LCS funds only research, no training nor implementation
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. Enterprises shall provide audited statements of 2 previous closed financial periods on request. Final audit according to the LCS regulations.

Lithuania

Funding Organisation	**Lietuvos mokslo taryba / Research Council of Lithuania, (LMT)**
Initial funding pre-commitment	Up to 300.000 Eur to the Call
Regional/National contact for the EP PerMed JTC2024	Živilė Ruželė, 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. Beneficiary institution (grant holder) manage 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	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	Only costs generated during the lifetime of the project, related to project are eligible. Direct costs: personnel, travel, purchase (assets, services, consumables), subcontracting. Overheads (indirect costs): up to 20 % from direct costs.
Funding of public-private partnerships allowed	Yes (conditionally), private partner or noneligible public legal entity can be a partner of the eligible applicant institution, a grant holder
Further guidance	Please consult national call text and contact National contact person

Luxembourg

Funding Organisation	**Luxembourg National Research Fund, (FNR)**
Initial funding pre-commitment	Budget: 0.3 M€ Anticipated number of funded research groups: 1-2
Regional/National contact for the EP PerMed JTC2024	Gideon Gießelmann
Eligible institutions	Universities, Research Institutions, other research actors under the conditions specified in the FNR eligibility rules
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/fnr-beneficiaries/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	1,5 Mio. €
Regional/National contact for the EP PerMed JTC2024	Karianne Solaas, The Research Council of Norway Tel: (+47) 945 35 380 E-mail: kso@rcn.no Katrine Rolid Tel: (+47) 415 48 328 E-mail: karo@rcn.no
Eligible institutions	Norwegian universities, university colleges, hospitals, independent research institutes and other publicly funded research groups, and private industry.
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 (forskningsradet.no)
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/apply-for-funding/Budget/ However, PhD fellowships are not eligible within the RCN funding.
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.

Poland

Funding Organisation	**Narodowe Centrum Badan i Rozwoju/ National Centre for Research and Development, (NCBR), www. ncbr.gov.pl**
Initial funding pre-commitment	1 100 000 €
Regional/National contact for the EP PerMed JTC2024	Narodowe Centrum Badan i Rozwoju/ National Centre for Research and Development (NCBR) Anna Stępień anna.stepien@ncbr.gov.pl Tel. +48 22 39 07 210
Eligible institutions	Following entities are eligible to apply: • Micro, Small, Medium and Large enterprise[6]; • Research organisation[7] (research and knowledge-dissemination organisation); • Group of entities composed of at least one research organisation and at least one enterprise; • Group of entities composed of at least 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[9]. • 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.

[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. Research organisations may associate research teams working in hospitals/public health and/or other healthcare settings and health organisations; Participation of clinicians (e.g. medical doctors, nurses) in the research teams is encouraged.
[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;
[9] if applicable.

	• 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; – 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 € per 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: • 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;

4. additional overheads incurred indirectly as a result of the research project; that costs should account 25% of all eligible project costs, and additionally they cannot constitute more than 20% of the total direct costs of the research project. Overheads should meet both of the following conditions: 4=(1+3)*25% and 4=(1+2+3)*20%. The final value of overhead costs should be the lower value obtained from the calculation with the given formulas.

Funding quota of Polish participants can be up to 100% for research organisations. In the case of enterprises, funding quota will be decided on a case-by-case basis depending on the size of the company, type of research/development and additional conditions as se out in 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.

The following maximum funding quotas apply:

Type of Organization **Type of Activity**	**Micro/Small Enterprises**	**Medium Enterprises**	**Large Enterprises**	**Research Organizations**
Fundamental/ Basic Research	n/a	n/a	n/a	Up to 100%
Industrial Research	Up to 50+20+5/15/25 (max 80 %)	Up to 50+10+5/15/25 (max 80 %)	Up to 50+5/15/25 (max 75 %)	Up to 100 %
Experimental development	Up to 25+20+5/15/25 (max 70 %)	Up to 25+10+5/15/25 (max 60 %)	Up to 25+5/15/25 (max 50 %)	Up to 100 %

In any case only Industrial/Applied Research and Experimental Development will be funded. Fundamental/Basic Research may be funded only in case of research organisation and may comprise a maximum of 10% of total eligible costs of the project. Other type of activities (e.g. coordination, dissemination, management) is not eligible for funding as separate research tasks in the project schedule.

	The eligible costs of basic research may comprise a maximum of 10% of total eligible costs of the Project. Funding for basic research may be granted only to research organisations in cases justified by the specificity of the Project.
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. 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	300.000 € Maximum 150.000 € for PT coordination and maximum 100.000 € for PT participation. Notes: • 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 projects with Portuguese coordination** (**150.000,00 €**) or **Portuguese participation** (**100.000,00 €**). Portuguese institutions in the same consortium will 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.
Regional/National contact for the EP PerMed JTC2024	Rita Cavaleiro Pedro Ferreira EPPerMed@fct.pt Tel: +351 213 911 541 / +351 213 924 445
Eligible institutions	For eligible institutions, please consult Article 3 of FCT’s Regulation on projects funded solely by national funds), as amended by the Regulation no. 5/2024, of 3 January, hereinafter referred to as **FCT Regulation**, which amends and republishes Regulation no. 999/2016, of 31 October. (******) Payments made to companies cannot exceed 50% of the total cost of the company shareholding (Article 7 of FCT’s Regulation).(******)
Additional eligibility criteria	For eligibility criteria of beneficiaries and projects, please consult Articles 5 and 6 of FCT’s Regulation.(**)
Eligible costs	For eligible costs and non-eligible costs, please consult Articles 8 and 9 of FCT’s Regulation. Please also consult FCT’s Financial Execution Rules (to be available soon).(**) The allocation of **indirect costs** in the proposal to be submitted by applicants requesting funding from FCT is **mandatory**. In accordance with no. 6 of Article 8 of FCT’s Regulation, indirect costs shall be calculated on a simplified costs base, by means of the application of a fixed rate of 25% of direct eligible costs with exclusion of subcontracting and resources made provided by third parties.(*)

	The **applicable form of payment** will be indicated in due course on the **call's page on the FCT website**. Please check the call‘s page regularly.(*)
Funding of public-private partnerships allowed	Yes
Further guidance	• Portuguese institutions applying for funding from FCT must follow **FCT’s Regulation on projects funded solely by national funds**, as amended by the Regulation no. 5/2024, of 3 January, which amends and republishes Regulation no. 999/2016, of 31 October, and other applicable national and community legislation, as well as the Financial Execution Rules (to be available soon) and the FCT’s dedicated webpage to the EP PerMed 2024 Call.(**) The percentage of time dedicated to transnational projects is not considered to the percentage of time dedicated to existing national projects. • 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, as long as it is signed, in the Autenticação.gov application, with professional attributes that identify the functions performed by the signatory (**). Portuguese applicants of transnational consortia that do not apply for funding from FCT do not need to submit the Statement of Commitment to FCT. • 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. Notes: (*) *sentence added on 31 January* (**) *reformulated sentence with information added on 31 January*

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 JTC2024	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	Guião para a participação das equipas de investigadores da RAA nas European Partnerships financiadas pela VP-GRA/DRCT (https://portal.azores.gov.pt/documents/37178/0/VP-GRA_DRCT_Guiao_participacao_equipas_RAA_EPs_v20231011.pdf/9e5a64fd-6a2c-cb52-c771-2fb779ab0a2f?version=1.0&t=1697451266918).

	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.

Portugal (Centro Region)

Funding Organisation	**Comissão de Coordenação e Desenvolvimento Regional, (CCDRC) - https://ris3.ccdrc.pt/index.php/iniciativas**
Initial funding pre-commitment	**300 000€** Maximum funding awarded: - 100.000€ for a regional consortium. - 150.000€ for a regional consortium with regional coordination (of the transnational project). **Note:** 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.
Regional/National contact for the EP PerMed JTC2024	Sophie Patrício Dora Cabete ccdrc.projects@ccdrc.pt
Eligible institutions	✓ Academic partners; ✓ Clinical/public health research organisations; ✓ For-profit partners (SME); ✓ Not for-profit organisations; ✓ Patient organisations. **Only entities from NUTS II Centro or the ones that can assure that the investment will be made in Centro Region can apply to CCDRC’s funding.** **We advise all regional applicants to contact CCDRC’s team before applying.**

	The maximum funding rates to be considered are the following: • Research organisations and Higher Education Institutions (HEI): maximum funding rate – 85% • SME: micro and small enterprises – maximum funding rate 80% | medium enterprises – maximum funding rate 75% Non for-profit organisations and patient organisations – can participate only if partnering up with one (or more) regional institutions from the typologies listed above (maximum funding rate – 85%). **ATTENTION:** 1) 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. 2) Non-SMEs will not be considered eligible in the context of this call.
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 Digitall 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.
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). When applying to the transnational call, all regional stakeholders must fill in and sign a Declaration: - For projects led by companies: *https://ris3.ccdrc.pt/index.php/ris3-documentacao/declaracao-de-compromisso-ep-permed-2024-si-i-d/download* - For projects led by non-entrepreneurial entities: *https://ris3.ccdrc.pt/index.php/ris3-documentacao/declaracao-de-compromisso-ep-permed-2024-saccct/download* The Declaration must be sent within 10 working days after the submission of the pre-proposal to ccdrc.projects@ccdrc.pt. 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.

Romania

Funding Organisation	**Executive Agency for Higher Education, Research, Development and Innovation Funding, (UEFISCDI)**
Initial funding pre-commitment	1.000.000 €
Regional/National contact for the EP PerMed JTC2024	Mihaela Manole mihaela.manole@uefiscdi.ro Tel.: +4021.302.38.63
Eligible institutions	Legal entities established in Romania are eligible to get funding - public and private accredited universities, national R&D institutes, other research organisations, SMEs, large industrial enterprises, according to the national requirements.
Additional eligibility criteria	
Eligible costs	a. Staff costs; b. Logistics expenses - Capital expenditure; - Expenditure on stocks - supplies and inventory items; - Expenditure on services performed by third parties cannot exceed 25% of the funding from the public budget. The subcontracted parts should not be core/substantial parts of the project work; c. Travel expenses; Overhead (indirect costs) is calculated as a percentage of direct costs: staff costs, logistics costs (excluding capital costs and cost for subcontracting) and travel expenses. Indirect costs will not exceed 20 % of direct costs. Maximum funding per awarded project: a. 250.000 euro for all Romanian partners in case a Romanian institution is the Coordinator; b. 200.000 for all Romanian partners in case a Romanian institution is not the Coordinator
Funding of public-private partnerships allowed	Yes
Further guidance	https://uefiscdi.gov.ro/pachet-de-informatii-suprogramul-3-2-orizont- 2020 This information will be updated.

	It is strongly advised to contact UEFISCDI before submission, in order to verify the eligibility of the researchers and avoid ineligible projects/research consortia.

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
Regional/National contact for the EP PerMed JTC2024	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, IIS). Please contact Cristina Rodríguez (cristina.rodriguez@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 **AESI 2024** apply.

	NOT eligible institutions: • Those declared by AES 2024 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 / AES2024. 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 AES2024) either employed by the beneficiary entities or belonging to the research team. • Personnel costs will be eligible when corresponding to contracts under the frame of Art. 23bis of Law 14/2011, 1st June, following the specifications established in AES2024. **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 AES 2024 that can be justified as necessary to carry out the proposed activities. **Overheads**, according to AES 2024 (25%) **Double funding of the same concept is not allowed.** National applications will be required by ISCIII from IPs whose proposal is approved for funding.
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	**Eligibility of PI and team members:**
	• Principal Investigators (PI) shall mandatory have **PhD degree**.
	• Principal Investigators (PI) can only participate in one project proposal per call.
	• Principal Investigators (PIs) belonging to an **Accredited Health Research Institutes** (IIS) could apply **only from the IIS**.
	• The Principal Investigator (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 and purpose that this call and that the project has an ending date after the 31st December 2024 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 AES 2024.
	
	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/ Minimum funding per grant awarded to a project partner:
	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.
	
	Overheads according to AES 2024: 25%
	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). **National Programme:** Acción Estratégica en Salud (AES 2024) **National phase:** Due to administrative and legal regulations, the Institute of Health Carlos III establishes the **31st October 2024** 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 AES 2024. Any concerned applicant in a proposal for which no final decision has been made by the deadline of **31/10/2024**, could be declared not fundable by ISCIII. 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

	Submission of other information at the national level: as specified by AES 2024. Submission of financial and scientific reports at the national level: As specified by ISCIII’s instructions (please check ISCIII’s webpage). **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 AES 2024 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.

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 JTC2024	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 JTC2024	Directorate General for Energetic Transition, Strategic Projects and S4 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.rodrigo.aznarez@navarra.es
Eligible institutions	Universities, Research Institutes and Industries that comply with Points 2.2 and 2.4 a) and b) from the Resolution 72E/2023, Of 31st March. It can be found in the Official Navarrese Gazette #82, 21st April 2023 (https://bon.navarra.es/es/anuncio/-/texto/2023/82/15) and its Mistake Correction Document published in the Official Navarrese Gazette #104, 18th May 2023 (https://bon.navarra.es/es/anuncio/-/texto/2023/104/17). 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: https://www.eppermed.eu/jtc2024/. 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.

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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%.
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Research Institutes and Universities: 100%

Sweden (SRC)

Funding Organisation	**Swedish Research Council, (SRC), www.vr.se**
Initial funding pre-commitment	The total funding commitment is minimum 12 million SEK (approximately 1 070 000 million euros). Anticipated number of funded research projects: 3–5.
Regional/National contact for the EP PerMed JTC2024	Karin Sikström, Tel. (+46) 8 546 77 164 Karin.Sikström@vr.se Maria Nilsson, Tel. (+46) 8 546 44 135, Maria.Nilsson@vr.se
Eligible institutions	The applicant must be an individual researcher holding a PhD. Only researchers at an administrating organisation approved by the Swedish Research Council may apply. Please refer to general applicant eligibility requirements found here. The applicant may not have an ongoing ERA PerMed grant, or any other project grant concerning the same project concept, funded by the Council, at the start of the grant period.
Additional eligibility criteria	All Swedish applicants to the SRC must communicate with a SRC EP PerMed national contact person regarding their intention to participate in the call, before submission of the consortium application. Grant amount: Minimum 1 200 000 SEK (approximately 107 000 EUR) in total per Swedish partner in a project. The maximum amount of funding is 3 million SEK (approximately 267 000 EUR) in total for Swedish participation in a consortium with 1 Swedish partner. Maximum 4.5 million SEK (approximately 400 000 EUR) in total for Swedish participation in a consortium with 2 Swedish partners. **Please note that the exchange rate 1 EUR = 11.20 SEK shall be used to calculate actual amounts applied for in the application.** No funding of industrial partners. You can only take part in one consortium within this call, either as coordinator or partner. All Swedish project leaders participating in the call for support from the Swedish Research Council shall also submit a parallel application according to the Swedish Research Council’s instructions. The application form and instructions how to submit the parallel application can be reached from the call text at the SRC website.

	Parallel application is a mandatory eligibility criterion. Failure to submit the parallel application to the Swedish Research Council before the deadline of the SRC call will result in the Swedish partner being declared ineligible.
Eligible costs	The project grant may be used to fund all types of project-related costs, such as salaries (including your own salary, however no more than corresponding to the person’s activity level in the project), running costs (such as consumables, travel including stays at research facilities, publication costs and minor equipment), premises and depreciation costs. The project grant may also be used to cover costs for patient advocacy organisations (PAO) part in the project. The costs that can be covered are the same as the above mentioned. Grants may not be used for scholarships. If a doctoral student participates, project funds may not be paid out as salary during teaching or other departmental duties.
Funding of public-private partnerships allowed	Yes, but the Swedish Research Council can only fund academic or clinical partners.
Further guidance	See national call texts for all national requirements The SRC will only fund basic research projects and therefore invites Swedish applications focusing mainly on target identification. Swedish applicants focusing mainly on target development and validation should apply from VINNOVA.

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 2 100 000 million euros). The maximum amount of funding 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 JTC2024	Anna-Carin Christoffersson, +46 730 51 98 41 anna-carin.christoffersson@vinnova.se Malin Eklund, +46 730 20 39 53, malin.eklund@Vinnova.se
Eligible institutions	Universities, public research institutes, healthcare providers, idéburna org. and industry.
Additional eligibility criteria	Eligible partners are universities, public research institutes, healthcare providers and industry. 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 Terms and conditions for Vinnova 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. Large companies can apply for 20 % of their eligible costs. Small and medium sized companies can apply for 70 % of their eligible costs or 100% if they are eligible for minor support (EU no. 1407/2013). If minor support is used, you need to include a Minor support certificate. For more information see State aid rules The eligible cost are defined in: Terms and conditions for Vinnova funding | Vinnova
Funding of public-private partnerships allowed	Yes
Further guidance	For detailed description of national eligibility rules and guidance can be found here Find the right funding | Vinnova under call EP PerMed JTC2024. Vinnova need a parallel application uploaded into Vinnovas e-tjänster no later than 1 week after the international call has closed. Only the Swedish project partners should be included in Vinnovas e-services. If two Swedish partners one of them will act as the Swedish coordinator in Vinnovas e-services. Vinnova follow the principle of public access to official records according to Swedish law. Vinnova performs a confidentiality review before releasing any documents. For more detailed 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.

The Netherlands

Funding Organisation	**The Netherlands organisation for Health Research and Development, (ZonMw)**
Initial funding pre-commitment	Maximum budget: 2.000.000 € Anticipated number of funded research projects: 8 Maximum funding per grant awarded to a project 250.000 € (= total amount for all Dutch partners per consortium project)
Regional/National contact for the EP PerMed JTC2024	Dr Rob Diemel Kirsten IJsebaert, Msc EP-PerMed@zonmw.nl +31 70 349 5252
Eligible institutions	In this National Annex an Applicant is defined as a researcher from the Netherlands applying for funding (i.e. the Dutch part of a European consortium). Applicants may submit an application (i.e. participate in a consortium and request funding) if they have an employment relationship with the following organisation: • Dutch research organisations, that meet the definition of a research organisation as referred to in EU state aid legislation may receive the research grant (*Framework for state aid for research and development and innovation (2014/C 198/01).* ZonMw only accepts applicants belonging to category A Academia as eligible for funding. Applicants belonging to categories B and C are not eligible for funding (yet, collaboration with patient organisations from category C is possible by assignment). See paragraph 6B of the call text.
Additional eligibility criteria	• **An applicant may only request ZonMw funding for one project (part of a European consortium) in this call.** • In this call ZonMw can only fund applicants from hospitals if they are marked as research organisation by ZonMw, for example University Medical Centres. • Dutch non-academic hospitals are considered private partners due to the commercialisation of the care sector within the Netherlands. They are not eligible for funding in this call, but can participate with own funds in kind or in cash. See paragraph 6B of the call text regarding rules for participation of partners with own funding. • An application for funding (i.e. the Dutch part of a European consortium) has a single main applicant (i.e. Dutch Partner or Coordinator in the European consortium), responsible for scientific and financial management • PhD positions cannot be applied for in this call, due to the maximum project duration of 3 years.

	• Dutch eligible applicants can hire third parties, to execute part of the project activities, by assignment. This can be the case for financing of patient-organisations as described in category C (described in paragraph 6B of the call text). ZonMw does not consider this to be a form of collaboration. This must be set out in a written agreement between the applicant and the relevant third party/ies (at arm’s length) stipulating that results need to be transferred to the applicant in advance. In addition, this means that the applicant must provide clarity in the application and budget about the costs to be incurred (including VAT). When entering into an assignment, the applicant must comply with the tendering rules that may be applicable.
Eligible costs	Eligible costs of research projects performed by research organisations are: • Personnel costs • Bench fee • Material costs see the General Terms and Conditions Governing Grants of ZonMw Personnel costs are funded in accordance with VSNU/NFU salary tables. Budget formats and salary tables can be downloaded from the ZonMw website. It is necessary to use these formats and salary tables in the preparation of the budget for the Dutch partners, both in the preproposal and full proposal stage. In case of an assignment with a third party, the budget must make it clear which parties will be hired, or, if this is not yet known, which activities are forecast as being performed by third parties, plus the related costs that will be incurred (including VAT). Note, that the majority of the research activities must be performed by the Dutch research organization (as defined above) and only a non-significant part (up to 25 percent) of the budget may be allocated to third parties by assignment under market conditions. For more information and the conditions of hire/terms of contract, see the ZonMw web page Grants and Collaborations/contributions from third parties .
Funding of public-private partnerships allowed	Yes, but ZonMw can only fund applicants from research institutes (category A)
Further guidance	The General Terms and Conditions Governing Grants of ZonMw are applicable to the part of the project’s budget covered by the Grant from ZonMw. Any arrangements made regarding the part of the project’s budget covered by the grant from ZonMw must comply with the General Terms and Conditions Governing Grants of ZonMw amended on 1 April 2022 and the European legislation on state aid. For further guidance about conditions and finances: Voorwaarden en verplichtingen (zonmw.nl)

Turkiye

Funding Organisation	**The Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkiye, (TÜBİTAK)**
Initial funding pre-commitment	400.000 Euro
Regional/National contact for the EP PerMed JTC2024	N. Selcan TÜRKER
Eligible institutions	Applicants can apply from universities (public and private), research institutes, public and private corporations. 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 the official website of TUBITAK.
Funding of public-private partnerships allowed	Yes
Further guidance	For further information, applicants should follow the announcements regarding this call under the official website of TUBITAK.