



Research Fund for Excellent Junior Researchers

Preliminary Information on Changes to the 2027 Call for Proposals

(as of 1st of August 2026)

Given the strong interest and growing number of high-quality applications for the «Research Fund for Excellent Junior Researchers» at the University of Basel, the Junior Researchers Committee has approved the following amendments to the **eligibility requirements**. These will apply from the 2027 call for proposals (application deadline: 1st of February 2027) to sustain our commitment to support excellent early career researchers:

1. **Postdoctoral researchers** employed at the University of Basel and its affiliated institutes may apply with their own independent research project if, as of the application deadline, they can **demonstrate at least two years of research experience** as a postdoctoral researcher at the University of Basel.
2. **Resident physicians** and **attending physicians** must have been **employed at the University Hospital of Basel for at least two years** (100%, cumulative is possible) as of the application deadline.
3. Applicants who have already **received funding** from the University of Basel Research Fund **are not eligible to apply again**.
4. Applicants whose applications have been **rejected may apply only one further time with a new project** (i.e., new data, new methodology, new research question, etc.).

Details regarding the adjustments will be published with the 2027 call for proposals this coming November.