



EuroNanoMed Call for Proposals 2009 for “European Innovative Research & Technological Development Projects in Nanomedicine”

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Guidelines for Applicants

Background

Under the umbrella of EuroNanoMed (ERA-Net for research programmes on Nanomedicine), 19 funding organisations have agreed to fund the first transnational joint call (JTC 2009) for collaborative research projects in Nanomedicine. The EuroNanoMed funding organisations particularly wish to promote innovative interdisciplinary collaboration and to encourage translational research proposals.

Registration

Research consortia who intend to submit a transnational proposal should register as soon as possible at <http://www.euronanomed.net>, clicking the “to register” button and following the directions. The system will be opened in the last week of May 2009. To register, please fill in the data sheet of the system. The same data sheet can later be used for the final electronic proposal submission.

Proposal submission

Electronic proposal submission is mandatory. For application please use the proposal template provided on the EuroNanoMed web page (<http://www.euronanomed.net/index.php/contacts>). Please fill in all fields and submit online your proposal in a digitally signed PDF-Format file **before 01 September 2009 at 17:00:00 (Brussels local time)**. Please take into account that the online data entry may be uploaded by the day of the deadline. It is therefore recommended to transfer all obligatory data in proper time.

For applicants from some countries it might be necessary to submit the proposal and/or other information directly to the national funding agencies/organizations. Therefore, applicants are strongly advised to check their respective country specific information for applicants for more details. For additional information you can contact:

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Monday to Thursday 9.00-13.00 and 14.30-18.00

Friday 9.00-13.00 and 14.30-17.00 (Brussels local time)

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Proposal structure

One joint proposal document (in proper English) shall be prepared by the partners of a joint transnational proposal, which must be submitted to the Joint Call Secretariat by the project coordinator.

The proposal document must not be longer than the number of pages indicated below (DIN-A4, Arial 11, single-spaced). **Proposals exceeding these limitations will be rejected.**

Proposals must include the following information:

- Names and full affiliations of the project coordinator.

- Names and full affiliations of each partner group leaders and other personnel participating in the joint project.
- Duration of project
- Total project cost and total budget requested.
- Clinical application (yes or no) Industrial application (yes or no)
- Diagnostics (Yes or no), targeted drug delivery (yes or no), regenerative medicine (yes or no)
- Scientific abstract (max. ½ page)
- Keywords (5 to 7)
- Background and present state of the art in the research field (max. 2 pages)
- Work plan (aims, methodology, involvement of participants, time plan, project coordination and management; max. 8 pages)
- Financial summary for each consortium member provided on the respective table available within the electronic application data sheet.
- Justifications of requested and total project cost (e.g. own contribution + other sources + requested). When applicable specifying co-funding from other sources necessary for the project (max. 1 page)
- Added value of the proposed international collaboration (max. 1 page)
- Impact and exploitation of expected project results (max. 1 page)
- Present and anticipated future position with regard to IPR (e.g. any barriers to sharing materials or results), both within and outside the consortium, if applicable (max. ½ page)
- Description of ongoing projects, pending patents and patents when applicable of each participating group related to the present topic indicating funding sources and possible overlaps with proposal (max. 1 page per group)
- Ethical issues of the project proposal. When applicable, ethical and legal issues (e.g. informed consent, ethical permits, data protection, use of animals) according to national regulations (max. ½ page)
- Brief CVs for each participating group leader with a list of up to five relevant publications within the last five years demonstrating the competence to carry out the project (max. 1 page each)
- When requested by national regulatory criteria additional information must be provided
- Signatures of all partners (digitally signed PDF)

Applicants are invited to name potential experts suited for the evaluation of their proposal as well as experts not suited due to conflict of interest. The possibility for this will be given in the electronic proposal submission system.

Please note

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

The Joint Call Secretariat will assess proposals to ensure that they meet the call's formal criteria (e.g. date of submission; number of participating countries; inclusion of all necessary information in proper English). In parallel, the Joint Call Secretariat will forward the proposals to the national funding organisations that will perform a formal check of compliance with their respective regulations.

Proposals not meeting the formal criteria will be rejected. Proposals passing both checks will be forwarded to the independent international scientific experts for evaluation.

Potential project coordinators are recommended to read the EuroNanoMed funding bodies' eligibility when they are looking for potential project partners.

Project partners are strongly advised to read the specific eligibility criteria and other requirements before contacting the representative of their EuroNanoMed respective funding organisations prior to submitting the application (see "**Information for Applicants**" or see "**National Contact Point list**", <http://www.euronanomed.net/>)