

Open call for cell-based medicine project ideas

Budget plan guidelines

To complete the budget tables of your application, please determine for each applicant the BMBF funding rate taking the information provided in these guidelines into account. Please include the corresponding rate explanation code indicated below. Please see the [Clusters4Future guidelines from the BMBF](#), annex 2 for more details.

I. Funding rate

BMBF supported funding rates for academia and industry

Academia:

- BMBF supports 100% of the eligible cost for basic research (25.5a AGVO)

Industry:

BMBF support does not exceed the following rate per beneficiary

Large enterprises:

- 50% of the eligible cost for industrial research (25.5b AGVO)
- 25% of the eligible cost for experimental development (25.5c AGVO)

Medium enterprises:

- 60% of the eligible cost for industrial research (25.5b AGVO)
- 35% of the eligible cost for experimental development (25.5c AGVO)

Small enterprises:

- 70% of the eligible cost for industrial research (25.5b AGVO)
- 45% of the eligible cost for experimental development (25.5c AGVO)

Possibilities to increase funding rate

The BMBF support for industrial research and experimental development can be increased **by 15% to max. 80 % of the eligible costs** (25.6 AGVO).

Reasons for increase:

- A. **Collaboration between industry and academia**, if the academic partner(s) agree(s) to at least **10% co-funding** and academic partner(s) is/are allowed to **publish their own research results**

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- B. **Collaboration between companies**, when at least of them is a **SME**, and **no single partner claims more than 70%**
- C. **The results of the project are widely disseminated** through conferences, publications, open access repositories or through royalty-free software or open source software

Organisation status	Type of research	Funding rate in %	Justification	Rate explanation code
Academia, public research institution	Basic research	≤100	-	Academia-Basic
		≤90	Reason A	Academia-Basic+A
Large enterprise	Industrial research	≤50	-	Industry-IR
		≤65	Reason A or B or C	Industry-IR+A/B/C
	Experimental development	≤25	-	Industry-ED
		≤40	Reason A or B or C	Industry-ED+A/B/C
Medium enterprise	Industrial research	≤60	-	Medium-IR
		≤75	Reason A or C	Medium-IR+A/C
		≤70	Reason B	Medium-IR+B
	Experimental development	≤35	-	Medium-ED
		≤50	Reason A or B or C	Medium-ED+A/B/C
Small enterprise	Industrial research	≤70	-	Small-IR
		≤80	Reason A or C	Small-IR+A/C
		≤70	Reason B	Small-IR+B
	Experimental development	≤45	-	Small-ID
		≤60	Reason A or B or C	Small-ID+A/B/C

II. Eligible costs

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- **Personnel** working on the project (scientists, technicians, other (25.3a AGVO));

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- **Instruments and equipment** - used in the project. If these are not exclusively used on the project during their entire lifecycle, only deprivation costs qualify (25.3b AGVO);
- **Contract research, knowledge, patents** (acquired from thirds in compliance with arm's-length-principles or licensed), **consulting and equal services** (25.3d AGVO);
- **Additional overhead and other operating costs** (i. A. for material costs, consumables and the like) occurring in the project (25.3 e AGVO).

If co-funding applies, please note that each budget item has to be co-funded.

III. Funding rate calculation examples

Academia-industry collaboration (large enterprise)

Organisation	Requested BMBF funding rate in %	Own contribution in %
Academia	100	-
Industry	50	50

Academia-industry collaboration (large enterprise), academic partner is co-funding 10%

Organisation	Requested BMBF funding rate in %	Own contribution in %
Academia	90	10
Industry	65	35

Academia-industry collaboration (small enterprise, results are widely disseminated)

Organisation	Requested BMBF funding rate in %	Own contribution in %
Academia	100	-
Small enterprise	80	20

Industry-industry collaboration (large enterprise + small enterprise)

Organisation	Requested BMBF funding rate in %	Own contribution in %
Industry	65	35
Small enterprise	70	30