

Newsletter Research, 24 September 2026

Calls:

AWS Proof of Concept LARGE

Target group: Austrian universities, universities of applied sciences and non-university research institutions

Deadline: 30 September 2026

Further information: <https://www.aws.at/aws-proof-of-concept/>

Houska Prize 2027

The Houska Prize 2026 will be awarded in three categories "University Research", "Non-University Research" and "Research & Development in SMEs".

Target group: Austrian Universities, Austrian Private Universities, Austrian Colleges, Austrian Academy of Sciences (ÖAW), Institute for Science and Technology Austria (IST Austria)

Deadline: 28 October 2026

Further information: <https://bcgruppe.at/en/houska-prize/>

Applications only online!

Information event (online)

When: 05 October 2026, 14:00 h ([Link](#))

Registration: houskapreis@bcprivatstiftung.at

ÖAW: Data:Research:Austria funding programme

Target group: all researchers

Deadline: 02 November 2026

Further information: <https://www.oeaw.ac.at/en/funding/dataresearchaustria>

Grand Challenges: [Innovations in Low-Cost and Simplified Pathogen Sequencing Workflows](#).

Challenge Topic: Pathogen Identification

Deadline: 29 September 2026, 11:30 h (U.S. Pacific Time)

Further information:

<https://gcgh.grandchallenges.org/challenge/innovations-low-cost-and-simplified-pathogen-sequencing-workflows>

Mag. Helga Bauer-Liebmann Scholarship

Target group: young researchers up to 40 years, to support in-person or online participation in scientific events with focus on breast cancer.

Deadline: 31 October 2026

Further information: <https://www.krebshilfe.net/forschung/helga-bauer-liebmann-stipendium/ausschreibung-2026>

Grants from the Dr. Johannes und Hertha Tuba Foundation

Target group: scientists with a degree in human medicine or dental medicine and physicians working in aging research.

Applications are possible on rolling basis.

Further information:

<https://www.i-med.ac.at/forschung/foerderungen/Tuba-Stipendium.html>

https://www.i-med.ac.at/forschung/foerderungen/Tuba-Stipendium_en.html.en

Preis des Fürstentums Liechtenstein 2026

Target group: all scientists and students at the MUI

Deadline: 14 October 2026

Further information: <https://www.i-med.ac.at/forschung/foerderungen/fl/>

Online Application: <http://fld.i-med.ac.at/gar>

Events

Training Programme for Young Scientists

- Communication and Presentation Skills for Scientists
Date: 12 November 2026 (9.00 h – 17.00 h) - Waiting list only!
- Moderating Panel Discussions and Conference Sessions
Date: 13 November 2026 (9.00 h – 17.00 h)
- Time Management
Date: 03 December 2026 (9.00 h – 17.00 h) – Waiting list only!
- Scientific Writing: Research Papers and more Workshop – NEW
Date: 08 January 2027 2026 (9.00 h – 17.00 h)
- Project Management - a Toolbox for Scientists
Date: 29 January 2027 (9.00 h – 17.00 h) – Waiting list only!

Information and registration at

<https://www.i-med.ac.at/forschung/fortbildung.html.de>

<https://www.i-med.ac.at/forschung/fortbildung.html.en>

MedLifeLab Innovation Forum

We look behind the scenes of founding a life science company out of academia, with honest insights and room for discussion. Whether you are a Spin-off or simply curious, this forum is for you.

Date: 29 September 2026 (17:00 – 19:30, Faculty Club)

Speakers: Dr. Jennifer Altomonte (Fusix Biotech), Dr. David Jürgens (RNhale), Simon Nopp (Feast Ventures)

More Information & Registration: [Link to Registration & Event Flyer](#)

MedLifeLab @ BioTech Summit Austria

Austria's biggest biotech gathering comes to our doorstep: two days to put your research in front of industry, investors and partners without leaving the city. MedLifeLab will be there, supporting the event.

Date: 13-14 October 2026 (Villa Blanka)

More Information: [Event Website](#)

MedLifeLab @ DxPx

DxPx Europe is a leading partnering conference for the biotools, diagnostics and digital health space, bringing together startups, industry players and 150+ investors for curated one-on-one meetings in Munich. MedLifeLab has secured a prime location and will be taking a delegation of Spin-Off Projects along.

Date: 17-19 February 2027

Website: [Link to Website](#)

If you are interested in joining MedLifeLab at DxPx, please get in touch with us: office@medlifelab.at

Did you know that the **LBG Career Center** also offers free career development support? Get to know their program during their info session 02 October 2026, 11:00 -11:45 h, further information [here](#).

Learn how to [apply for jobs in academia](#) 07 October 2026, 15:00 h or how to [communicate your research to different target groups](#) 21 October 2026, 10:00 h. On the same date, you can find out how to prevent [power abuse in academia](#) (15:00 h)).

The dates for the next Junior Faculty Meetings are set! Join us on **07 October 2026, 09 December 2026, and 27 January 2027** (16:00 – 18:00 h), for pitches, networking, and exchange at the Faculty Club. Get to know our new tenure track faculty members, celebrate the successful completion of QVs, and share experiences and challenges. Open to members of the scientific staff, register [here](#).

Further information:

MedLifeLab's New Point of Contact

MedLifeLab keeps evolving – and so does the way you can reach us!

From now on, we are available at a new, central e-mail address: office@medlifelab.at.

Feel free to reach out – we look forward to connecting with you.

By phone, we remain reachable as usual at 0512-9003-71019.

FFG Notes and Tips for the ERC Advanced Grant Call 2026

[Further information](#)

ERC Work Programme 2027 released

Further information:

<https://erc.europa.eu/news-events/news/new-erc-work-programme-sets-out-2027-funding-opportunities>

Reminder Calls

The deadlines for the EU Horizon Cluster Health Call 2027 have been brought forward (from April to February 2027)

We were informed that the submission deadlines for 2027 have been brought forward by two months!

[Health 2027 Call-01 single stage](#): from 16 April 2027 to 17 February 2027

[Health 2027 Call-02 two stage](#): first stage moved from 16 April to 17 February 2027; deadline for the second stage remains in September

Open Calls for Health-Related Projects Across All Horizon Europe Programs

<https://www.healthncp.net/pdf/health-opportunities-2026-across-horizon-europe>

Sparkling Science 2.0

In these projects, research institutions collaborate with educational institutions and, where possible, partners from business and society to jointly generate new research results.

Deadline: 30 October 2026, 12:00 h

Further information: <https://oead.at/en/study-research-teaching/citizen-science/sparkling-science>

Bernd Rode Award 2026

Target group:

Junior researchers (no doctoral degree required) – up to 2 awardees

Senior researchers (applicants over a period of 10 years after completion of their PhD studies (in the arts/music field equivalent permitted) – up to 1 awardee

Deadline: 29 October 2026

<https://asea-uninet.org/wp-content/uploads/Bernd-Rode-Award-2026-Call-for-Award.pdf>

Ludwig Boltzmann Gesellschaft – Clinical Research Groups– Women’s Health and Gender Medicine

Clinical research projects on women’s health and gender medicine will be funded across all life phases of women and girls.

Deadline: 06 November 2026

Further information: <https://lbg.ac.at/kfg/?lang=en>

Gilead Creating Possible Award 2026

Target group: all researchers working in the field of HIV & liver diseases

Deadline: 14 November 2026

Further information: <https://www.gilead.com/de-at/wissenschaft/creating-possible-award>

FFG: Digital Health Austria Flagship projects 2026

Deadline: 30 November 2026

Further information: https://www.ffg.at/ausschreibung/DigitalHealth_Leitprojekte2026

Austrian Life Sciences: Permanently Open Calls

The Austrian Life Sciences Programme offers a number of options for research projects – whether digitalization in the healthcare sector, the development of medical products and drugs or the implementation of clinical studies.

Highlights:

- Submission possible at any time until 18 December 2026 at the latest
- Maximum funding amount: 3 million euros per project and research category
- Amount of the grant depends on the type of organization and research category

Further Information:

<https://www.ffg.at/ausschreibung/AustrianLifeSciences-2024-2026>

Ernst Mach Grant – ASEA-UNINET

Deadline: 01 March 2027

Further information: https://asea-uninet.org/wp-content/uploads/INFO-Ernst-Mach-Grant-ASEA-UNINET-Call-2027_28.pdf

ASEA-UNINET Project Funding

Target group: Researchers (incl. arts), doctoral students, and students (only for [clinical electives](#))

Deadline: The next call (Call 2027) is expected to open in early February 2027 and will be open until April 2027.

Further information: <https://asea-uninet.org/scholarships-grants/project-support/>

Publishing Services

<https://www.i-med.ac.at/forschung/publikationsservices.html.de>

<https://www.i-med.ac.at/forschung/publikationsservices.html.en>

1. Publishing agreements

<https://www.i-med.ac.at/forschung/openaccess.html#foerderungen>

<https://www.i-med.ac.at/forschung/openaccess.html.en#funding>

2. Open Access Publication Fund (new terms!)

<https://www.i-med.ac.at/forschung/Open-Access-Publikationsfonds.html>

<https://www.i-med.ac.at/forschung/Open-Access-Publikationsfonds.html.en>

3. FWF Open Access Block Grant

<https://www.i-med.ac.at/forschung/foerderungen/oa-pauschale.html>

<https://www.i-med.ac.at/forschung/foerderungen/oa-pauschale-en.html>

4. Recommended iMooX course on

– integrity and quality in scientific publications and

– predatory publishing: fraudulent business models in scientific open access publishing

<https://imoox.at/course/predatory>

Applications possible on rolling basis to apply via GAR:

<https://fld.i-med.ac.at/public/garinfo.cgi>

i-med scholarship for short stays abroad for graduated young scientists

Further information: <https://www.i-med.ac.at/forschung/foerderungen/as/>

i-med Research Scholarships for graduated young scientists

Further information: <https://www.i-med.ac.at/forschung/foerderungen/fs/index.html>

Grants from the Dr. Johannes and Hertha Tuba foundation

Further information: <https://www.i-med.ac.at/forschung/foerderungen/Tuba-Stipendium.html>

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Enago Landing Page: <https://www.enago.com/univ/mui/>

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Grant Support office: <https://www.i-med.ac.at/forschung/grant-support-office.html>

Research Report 2024: <https://researchreport.i-med.ac.at/>