

**Information on the allocation of funding for
Publication costs,
Travelling to scientific conferences,
Investments,
SHK funding "Keep on track"
(P.R.I.S. programme)**

The management of the Carl Gustav Carus Faculty of Medicine at the TUD Dresden University of Technology has decided to continue the P.R.I.S. programme for 2024. Funds will be made available subject to the budgetary situation.

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1. Funding opportunities

1.1 Support for publication costs

Objective

Funding is to be provided for the publication of scientific results in particularly renowned journals (measured by the impact factor/IF).

Eligibility to apply

All individuals who are currently employed at the Faculty of Medicine or the University Hospital are eligible to apply. Doctoral students who are enrolled at the Faculty of Medicine can also apply for these funding opportunities.

Application deadlines

Funding applications are processed and approved during the year according to the priority principle in the order in which they are received by the Department of Science Support and International Collaborations in full and ready for decision. Please note that the invoice for the publication costs must be received by the Department of Science Support and International Collaborations by December 18, 2024 at the latest in order to ensure timely processing.

Criteria

- A maximum of one publication grant can be awarded per researcher per calendar year, with a maximum of three grants per clinic/institute/independent department.
- This grant will only be awarded if the applicant is the first author or last author of the article in question. If the application is submitted by the last author, proof must also be provided that the first author had an active employment relationship at the Faculty of Medicine or the university hospital at the time of the experimental work.
- An application is only possible if the publication has already been accepted and the invoice has not yet been paid.
- Offprints cannot be subsidised.
- In order to receive funding for open access publications, please first submit your application to the Saxon State Library (SLUB):

<https://www.slub-dresden.de/veroeffentlichen/open-access/open-access-artikel-finanzieren>

You can only apply for a cost subsidy from P.R.I.S. funds if no funding is available from the SLUB. In this case, please also submit proof of funding from the SLUB.

Documents to be submitted:

- Proof of current employment or current scholarship agreement
- Declaration of acceptance of the publication
- The invoice
- a manuscript of the publication
- Rejection of SLUB funding (for open access publications)

Evaluation

- Applications are reviewed by the Dean of Research. The amount of support depends on the impact factor of the respective journal, but a maximum of €2,000 can be granted per application.

1.2 Support for travelling costs

Objective

This funding is open to all early-career scientists who are still at the beginning of their scientific establishment phase. The aim is to promote active participation in conferences with own contributions (poster and/or lecture).

Eligibility to apply

All individuals who are currently employed at the Faculty of Medicine or the University Hospital are eligible to apply. Doctoral scholarship holders who are enrolled at the Faculty of Medicine can also apply for this support programme.

Application deadlines

Funding applications are processed and approved during the year according to the priority principle in the order in which they are received by the Department of Science Support and International Collaborations in full and ready for decision. Please note that the trip must take place in 2024. The travel expense application must be approved by the Department of Science Support and International Collaborations before the start of the trip and must be settled in full by the travel expense centre by January 15, 2025 at the latest. Otherwise, the promised support cannot be granted.

Criteria

- A maximum of one travel grant can be awarded per researcher per calendar year, with a maximum of three grants per clinic/institute/independent department.
- The date of acquisition of the university degree may not be more than 14 years ago (the date of the university degree according to the certificate applies; for 2024: from 2010). Exceptional periods (e.g. military or federal voluntary service, parental leave) can be recognised on application if they relate to the period after the qualification was obtained.
- Active participation in the conference is a prerequisite. This can take the form of a poster presentation or a lecture, for example.
- The application can only be made for future business trips.

Scope and disbursement of funds

- At least 50% of the actual costs incurred are subsidised, up to a maximum of €2,000. Only costs that comply with the Saxon Travel Expenses Act can be subsidised.
- If several employees of a clinic/independent department or institute apply for the same conference, the heads of the institution must prioritise the applications.
- Any promised support must be authorised by the Department of Science Support and International Collaborations on the business trip application form.
- The requested funding must be specified with a cost breakdown, if applicable, and approved by the funding body. The application and settlement must be realised via GB PER/Travel Expenses.

Documents to be submitted BEFORE travelling:

- Proof of current employment or current scholarship agreement
- Copy of the university degree certificate
- Academic CV (incl. List of Publications)
- Justification of the added value of participation for future scientific development
- Proof of active participation (poster/presentation) at the conference
- Cost estimates and/or proof of expected costs

- Business trip application signed by the supervisor or authorisation of the trip by the head of the institution (short, informal, signed)

Evaluation

Applications are evaluated by the Dean of Research.

1.3 Support for investments

Objective

The funding line is available for urgently needed investments that cannot be covered by other funds.

Eligibility to apply

All individuals who are currently employed at the Faculty of Medicine or the University Hospital are eligible to apply.

Application deadlines

Applications for support for investments to be realised in 2024 are reviewed twice a year. Applications can be submitted until April 30, 2024 or until August 15, 2024 in the Department of Science Support and International Collaborations department. Applications received after August 15, 2024 will be earmarked for implementation in the following year.

Criteria

- Only applications that are exempt from the obligation to publish a tender requirement can be submitted. According to the decision of the Research Commission, a maximum of 70% of the gross costs (incl. VAT), up to a maximum of €5,000, will be subsidised. The remaining 30% or the outstanding difference must be covered by the applying structural unit from its own funds.
- If the equipment is used by several structural units, the grant may be higher in exceptional cases.
- In any case, a justification for the purchase must be enclosed.
- Maintenance and repair costs as well as material costs (consumables) are not subsidised.
- Investments are subsidised to an appropriate extent for each clinic/independent department or institute in consultation with the Research Commission.
- For planned procurements in the IT area, including software and licences, a statement from the IT department must be obtained in advance and attached to the application.

Documents to be submitted:

- Proof of current employment
- Justification for the necessity of the investment
- At least one current offer from a company
- Statement from the IT department, if procurements in the IT area incl. software and licences

Evaluation

The evaluation and awarding of the investment costs is carried out by the Research Commission of the MFD.

1.4. "Keep on track" - follow-up support for postgraduate medical students through a SHK (student assistant) position

Objective

"Keep on track" is a funding programme for doctoral students in medicine that follows on from the leave of absence already taken to write a doctoral thesis. The funding enables outstanding and motivated medical students to maintain their ties to a scientific working group, to purposefully complete a high-quality doctorate and to prepare their first publications through their own SHK position.

It is still possible to apply for SHK positions as part of the "More time for science" programme. Please contact the Department of Science Support and International Collaborations department in advance.

Eligibility to apply

Medical students who have already taken a leave of absence of at least one doctoral semester in the experimental phase of their doctorate are eligible to apply. (Applications can be submitted up to 12 months after re-entry into the programme).

The personal SHK position can be applied for up to 12 months with a maximum of 5 hours per week for the calendar year 2025.

Application deadlines

"Keep on track" applications can be submitted to the Department of Science Support and International Collaborations until September 30th, 2024 for funding from January 1st, 2025 to December 31st, 2025.

Criteria

- Very good evaluation by the supervisors of the doctoral thesis at the 2nd TAC meeting
- Credible interest in scientific work and career planning as a researching doctor
- Credible support from the supervisor
- Realisable and innovative work plan/milestone planning

Documents to be submitted:

- Letter of motivation (interest in scientific work, career planning as a researching doctor, possible publications, etc.)
- Summarising presentation of the doctoral project including results to date (max. 2 pages)
- Presentation of the work plan for the "Keep on track" funding and a milestone plan (up to and including submission/defence of the doctorate, max. 1 page)

- Letter of support from doctoral supervisor and in the event of a change in the working group of the working group leader
- Minutes of the 2nd TAC meeting
- Certificate of enrolment
- High school diploma
- Certificate of the first section of the medical examination (Physikumszeugnis)
- Certificate of a previous leave of absence (at least one semester) for the preparation of the doctoral thesis
- If applicable, certificate of a previously received doctoral scholarship stating the duration of the funding (CPKD, professional associations, foundations, etc.)

Evaluation

The evaluation and awarding of "Keep on track" funding is carried out by the spokesperson of the Carus Doctoral College Dresden and the Dresden School of Clinical Science as well as the Dean of Research.

2. Information on the application process

Applications must be submitted in accordance with the specified deadlines using the online form "[P.R.I.S. Portal](#)". Requested **supporting documents must be summarised in a SINGLE PDF file**. Only applications that are formally complete (see also Appendix 1) and submitted on time can be considered for evaluation. The text must be in Open Sans font, font size 10, line spacing 1.15 lines.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the Department of Science Support and International Collaborations at any time using the contact details provided.

Appendix 1: Overview of the documents to be submitted

Application for...	Attachments to be submitted
Publication costs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proof of current employment or current scholarship agreement • Declaration of acceptance of the publication • The invoice • a manuscript of the publication • Rejection of SLUB funding (for open access publications)
Travelling expenses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proof of current employment or current scholarship agreement • Copy of the university degree certificate • Academic CV (incl. List of Publications) • Justification of the added value of participation for future scientific development • Proof of active participation (poster/presentation) at the conference • Cost estimates and/or proof of expected costs • Business trip application signed by the supervisor or authorisation of the trip by the head of the institution (short, informal, signed)
Support for Investment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proof of the current employment relationship • Justification for the necessity of the investment • At least one current offer from a company • Statement from the IT department, if procurements in the IT area incl. software and licences
SHK „Keep on track“	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Letter of motivation (interest in scientific work, career planning as a researching doctor, possible publications, etc.) • Summarising presentation of the doctoral project including results to date (max. 2 pages) • Presentation of the work plan for the "Keep on track" funding and a milestone plan (up to and including submission/defence of the doctorate, max. 1 page) • Letter of support from doctoral supervisor • Minutes of the 2nd TAC meeting • Certificate of enrolment • High school diploma • Certificate of the first section of the medical examination (Physikumszeugnis) • Certificate of a previous leave of absence (at least one semester) for the preparation of the doctoral thesis • If applicable, certificate of a previously received doctoral scholarship stating the duration of the funding (CPKD, professional associations, foundations, etc.)