

RFA 11-03 Appendix A: National eligibility criteria for Partner PIs from Germany

Eligible for BMBF funding in collaboration with RFA 11-03: **Basic Biology IV** are all existing research projects or proposals in the field of regenerative medicine that have been implemented after a successful peer review procedure. Under this RFA, BMBF supports collaborative efforts of German scientists in the context of the above mentioned projects with their Californian partners. As a rule, the additional expenditure by the German scientists should generally not exceed 25% of the amount of funding for the existing research project. The applicants have to form consortia with their respective Californian partners and participate in CIRM's application procedure as described in CIRM's RFA 11-03. CIRM/BMBF collaborative proposals will be evaluated as integrated projects.

To participate in CIRM's RFA 11-03, the German Partner PIs must submit an informal request in writing, not more than 10 pages, to the Project Management Juelich, Forschungszentrum Jülich GmbH, delineating:

- I. description of the existing peer reviewed research project(s);
- II. description of the proposed research project, intended as collaborative component of the application to RFA 11-03;
- III. the added value and benefit of the international cooperation;
- IV. expected project results of the international cooperation;
- V. utilization of the expected project results; and
- VI. the necessary budget for the additional new project (personnel costs, consumables).

Information provided under II, above, should also be included as appropriate throughout the CIRM Pre-Application submitted by the Californian PI, as specified in the various sections asking for Partner PI relevant information, and in the section calling for "Collaborative Funding Partner Requested Information".

This request must be submitted to PtJ by 5 pm, January 10, 2012 for evaluation by the German side. In addition, CIRM will provide a copy of the California PI's Pre- Application for RFA 11-03 to PtJ for this process. Pre-Applications with both a German and a Californian component will be subjected to CIRM's evaluation procedure as described in section VIII of RFA 11-03. At the level of full applications (see section VIII of RFA 11-03), BMBF or PtJ will participate as observers in the CIRM Grants Working Group review meeting in June 2012.

After positive scientific evaluation of the full applications, formal German application documents (AZA/AZK) have to be provided to PtJ upon request. **It is highly recommended that potential German applicants contact PtJ prior to submitting an application for further advice.** Contact point:

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