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Søknadshjelpen – The MH Grants Office: Funding Updates

Welcome to the first funding newsletter from the MH Grants Office. You can expect our newsletter in your inbox on the first Friday of the month, at most monthly and every 2nd or 3rd month during periods with fewer announcements to share.

Check out the [MH Grants Office website](#) to read more about the support services we offer, see an [overview of funding opportunities](#) available to health researchers in Norway, and more.

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Horizon Europe

We have received the draft topics for the 2025 Cancer Mission in Horizon Europe.

These are thematic calls requiring consortia of at least three partners from three different EU or associated countries. At least one partner must be in an EU country.

If you are interested in any of these topics and would like to see the full text and/or learn more about this opportunity, you can **get in touch with the grants office** at: soknadshjelpen@mh.ntnu.no

Calls Open: 06 May 2025

Deadline: 18 September 2025

HORIZON-MISS-2025-02-CANCER-02:

Understanding the effects of environmental exposure on the risk of paediatric, adolescent and young adult cancers

HORIZON-MISS-2025-02-CANCER-03:

Innovative surgery as the cornerstone of affordable multi-modal therapeutic interventions benefitting cancer patients with locally advanced or metastatic disease

HORIZON-MISS-2025-02-CANCER-04:

Investigator-initiated multinational early-stage innovative clinical trials for paediatric cancer

HORIZON-MISS-2025-02-CANCER-05:

Pragmatic clinical trials to enhance the quality of life of older cancer patients (65 years and older) through nutrition.

Applications to these calls qualify for project establishment grants and application support from the MH Grants Office.

We also have a dedicated [EU projects manager](#) who deals with the administrative functions of coordinated Horizon Europe projects.

More information about these calls and available support is available through the [Grants Office](#).

Preproposal deadlines are coming up for Horizon Europe's European Partnerships in health (Various topics)

This is a reminder about the upcoming deadlines for the following European transnational calls for proposals.

If you have European research collaborators, this can be a great foot in the door of Horizon Europe with a lower threshold for a smaller scale project (approx. 400,000 EUR per Norwegian coordinator depending on the call).

Pre-proposals: 13th Feb

Full proposals: Early May

[ERDERA](#) : Preclinical therapy studies for rare diseases using small molecules and biologicals- development and validation. Validation, proof of concept, therapy development.

Pre-proposals: 18th Feb

Full proposals: 15th May

[EP PERMED](#): Pharmacogenomic Strategies for personalised medicine approaches: Use of -Omics in relation to treatment outcomes, patient medication or efficacy.

Pre-proposals: 6th Mar

Full proposals: 26th June

[ERA NET Neuron](#): Interdisciplinary Approaches to the Neuroscience of Pain. Research on prevention, diagnosis, treatment or rehab of pain disorders.

Pre-proposals: 7th Mar

Full proposals: 17th June

ERA4HEALTH: InterHeart: Understanding the interactions between cardiovascular diseases and comorbidities and/or their therapeutic treatments: How other organ systems/ conditions affect CVD and vice versa.

More information about these calls and available support is available through the [Grants Office](#).

Upcoming Deadlines: Horizon Europe Health Cluster

Horizon Europe's Pillar II funds large consortia of research groups in at least 3 countries (one of which must be in the EU). Depending on the call, the available funding ranges between €2-20 million. A €6 million project will generally have between 6 and 10 partners.

Calls are grouped into thematic clusters. The 2025 Health Cluster calls have the following deadlines:

Single Stage Calls

Call Opens: 22 May 2025

Deadline: 18 September 2025

Two-Stage Calls

Call Opens: 22 May 2025

Deadline (Stage 1): 18 September 2025

Deadline (Stage 2): 15 April 2026

The **draft work programme** with the **call topics** and text is available from the MH Grants Office. **To receive a copy, send an email to:** soknadshjelpen@mh.ntnu.no

We have internal deadlines to submit an Expression of Interest (EOI) to receive application support and to qualify for [project establishment funding](#). More information about the EOI process is found on [our website](#).

The deadline to submit an EOI is **10 March 2025**. We may accept later EOIs on a case-by-case basis.

Stay tuned for our upcoming Horizon Europe application workshops and webinars coming this spring.

Other Calls for Funding

Call for Proposals: Nordic research infrastructure hubs.

NordForsk had announced funding for approximately 12-15 Nordic research infrastructure (RI) hubs.

Deadline: 21 May 2025

The call funds Nordic RI hubs that range from initiatives to establishing and building new partnerships with little

or no prior Nordic collaboration, to more developed partnerships that will build on and further strengthen existing Nordic networks and collaborations.

Proposals from all fields of research are relevant. Collaborations on research infrastructures that are not specific to certain research domains, such as e-Infrastructures, are also relevant to the call.

Please Note:

“Each consortium must provide resources equalling twice the amount of funding sought from NordForsk. The own contribution can be cash or in-kind as long as the resources are dedicated exclusively to the infrastructure hub and are necessary for its implementation.” You should discuss this with your head of department if you are interested in applying.

The full call text is available here: [Call for proposals: Nordic Research Infrastructure Hubs | NordForsk](#)

Support Activities

ERC Proposal Reading Day

Time: March 13th, 10:30-13:30

Place: [Helgasetr 03-059](#) (Room 59 on the 3rd floor)

Registration deadline: March 10th

Register [here](#) and choose up to three proposals you want to read. Abstracts, ERC type of the grant, panel are available from that form as well.

Do you plan to apply for an ERC grant in the coming calls?

Are you struggling with inspiration or tips on how to address the requirements?

The Grants Office at the Medical Faculty invites you to a reading day where you can read proposals from NTNU researchers that have been funded by the European Research Council. We believe that it is valuable to see how successful proposals are structured and formulated, whether it is from your specific field of expertise or not. This is an excellent opportunity, and we are very grateful to NTNU researchers who have agreed to share their proposals.

Please register and select the proposals you would like to read so that we can set them aside for you (and print the necessary number of copies if many would like to see the same proposal).

The event is open for any NTNU faculty, and we have proposals from various fields and faculties to read.

NFR/RCN Proposal Reading Day

Time: February 28th, 09:00-12:00

Place: [Helgasetr 03-023](#) (Room 23 on the 3rd floor)

Registration deadline: February 24th

Register [here](#) and choose up to three proposals you want to read. [An overview of the available proposals can be found here](#)

The Grants Office invites you to a reading day of proposals that have been funded by the Research Council of Norway.

It is invaluable to see how successful proposals are structured and formulated, whether you are writing your own proposal or helping others secure funding as an adviser. We now have an updated and expanded our list of available proposals and are very grateful to the 19 researchers who have agreed to share their work.

If you have any questions about securing funding from the research council or would like more information, you can reach the MH Grants Office at: soknadshjelpen@mh.ntnu.no.

Reading Day Rules:

To protect the researchers who have been so kind as to share their ERC and NFR proposals, these rules will be in place during our reading days:

- You can only read the proposals at the set time and place
- You can't take the proposal out of the room
- No copying or taking pictures of the proposal
- You may take notes on paper, laptop or other digital note-taking device.
- Before you can see the proposals, you will have to sign a non-disclosure agreement

Invitation to online MSCA Postdoctoral Fellowship Symposium

Date: April 29th – 30th

Deadline for registration: April 22nd.

Are you the supervisor on a MSCA Postdoctoral Fellowship application or do know someone who is applying?

On the morning of April 29th and 30th 2025, NTNU is organizing an online symposium for applicants to the 2025 MSCA Postdoctoral Fellowships and their supervisors.

The Symposium aims to provide applicants and their supervisors with all the information required to prepare a competitive proposal. We will cover key aspects of the scheme and the proposal templates, including top tips and common pitfalls. The event will take place online and is free of charge.

The MSCA Postdoctoral Fellowships are highly competitive, but the rewards are significant, starting with the very impact on the research career of successful applicants.

For more information on the symposium, the MSCA scheme and registration form to sign up:

[See NTNU MSCA PF website.](#)

Helpful webinars from the Research Council of Norway (RCN)

The RCN regularly holds webinars and information sessions about its various calls, as well as webinars on Horizon Europe. We have selected those that may be of interest to researchers at MH.

10 February 9.00-10.30 Webinar on funding opportunities in Global Health EDCTP3

6 May 9.00-11.00 A.1 Introduction to Horizon Europe

8 May 9.00-11.00 A.2 Looking for partners and joining consortia in Horizon Europe

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