SNSF-Career Funding Schemes
Young researchers

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Lémanique et National
Private foundation established in 1952 - headquarters in Bern

- Support scientific research on behalf of the Swiss Confederation
- Invest in young researchers
- Enable research stays abroad
- Promote international cooperation
- Promote gender equality
# SNSF: Funding Portfolio (2017)

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- **Projects Funding**: 514.6, 50 %
- **Approved funds** (vs. 2016 + 11%): 1037 mio francs
- **Approved Grants**: Submitted grants: 6041; 49%
- **Women**: 24 %, Men: 76 %
SNSF: Geneva Funding by careers (Data 2017)

Career funds en mio de francs

25
(vs. 2016 + 21%)

Approved Grants

107

39% Women  61% Men
Careers - Funding by scheme

https://www.unige.ch/recherche/fr/financements/carriere/
Financing and mobility during and after the doctorate: SNSF grants

Prof. Pierre Barrouillet,
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The Research Commissions based at UNIGE acts as a link between UNIGE and the Swiss National Science Foundation.

In it function as body of the SNSF include:

- **Awarding mobility fellowships** to doctoral students (*Doc. Mobility*) and to postdocs starting their careers (*Early Postdoc. Mobility*);

- **Selecting (1st phase)** candidates for *Doc.CH* grants in the humanities and social sciences;

- **Information and advice** with regard to SNSF funding schemes, particularly *Doc.CH, Doc.Mobility and Early Postdoc.Mobility*
Composition of the Commission (COREC)

- 1 President : Prof Pierre Barouillet
- 1 Vice-president : Prof Jozsef Kiss
- 13 representatives for each faculty (including alternates)
- 1 secretariat :
  - Mrs Christine Mooser
  - Mrs Sarah El-Taïb
SNSF provides a wide selection of funding solutions in all disciplines, in order to ensure the best development of your career.

- **Doc.CH**
- **Doc. Mobility**
- **PhD Student**
- **Early Postdoc. Mobility***
- **Postdoc. Mobility***

* Special conditions for MD-PHD
Doc.CH (HSS) in the humanities and social sciences

Aim

• Topic of dissertation of one’s own choice

Conditions

• Master degree (or similar degree)
• Submission of application no more than 2 years after master
• At least one change of higher education institution between bachelor and start of PhD/or stay abroad of at least one semester during the doctoral studies

Submission

• Application through mySNF to the local SNSF Research Commission of the university.
Doc.CH (HSS) in the humanities and social sciences

Decision

- Phase 1: + end of April 2018 / October 2018
- Phase 2: + beginning of July 2018 / January 2018

Starting of funding

- At the earliest on September 1\textsuperscript{st}/ March 1\textsuperscript{st}, or around 6 months after the deadline submission.

Duration

- 2 – 4 years: The grants are awarded for a maximum of 4 years.

Deadlines: March 10\textsuperscript{th} / September 10\textsuperscript{th} - 5:00 pm (Swiss local time)
Doc.Mobility

Aim

• Research stay abroad for doctoral students (6 -18 months)

Conditions

• Matriculation as a **doctoral student for at least 12 months**, exemptions are possible in justified cases

• Swiss nationality, permanent residence, residence or cross-border commuter permit, or marriage resp. registered partnership with a Swiss

• Activity of **no less than 12 months at a research institution** in Switzerland (for applicants who do not hold Swiss nationality)
Doc.Mobility

Submission

- Application through *mySNF*
  - to the local SNSF Research Commission of the university.
  - To the SNSF Fellowship Commission if the applicant is completing his/her doctorate at a university abroad

**Duration:** 6 – 18 months

**Deadlines:** March 1\(^{st}\) / September 1\(^{st}\) - 5:00 pm
Early Postdoc.Mobility

Aim

• Research stay abroad for postdocs starting their career

Condition

• A completed doctorate (PhD) or completion within the next 9 months, or completed medical training with a doctorate (MD)

• Submission up to 2 years after obtaining the doctorate (medical researchers: up to 6 years after the state examination), exemptions are possible in justified cases

• Swiss nationality, permanent residence, residence or cross-border commuter permit, or marriage resp. registered partnership with a Swiss

• Activity of no less than 3 years at a research institution in Switzerland (for applicants who do not hold Swiss nationality)
Early Postdoc. Mobility

Submission

• Application through mySNF
  • to the local SNSF Research Commission of the university
  • the SNSF Fellowship Commission if the applicant is completing his/her doctorate at a university abroad

Duration:

• 12 – 18 months

Deadlines: March 1\textsuperscript{st} / September 1\textsuperscript{st} - 5:00 pm
Postdoc.Mobility

Aim

• Research stay abroad for postdocs starting their career

Condition

• Doctorate (PhD, MD-PhD) or completed studies in human, dental, veterinary, social or preventive medicine.
• Submission **up to 3 years after the doctoral exam** (PhD, MD-PhD)
• Medical researchers without MD-PhD: at least 3 years of clinical up to 8 years after the state examination
• Swiss nationality, holder of valid Swiss permanent residence, residence or cross-border commuter permit, married to a Swiss national or co-habiting with a Swiss national in a registered partnership.
• **At least 2 years of research activity at a Swiss research institution** (for foreign nationals).
Submission: Through *mySNF*

Evaluation: SNSF Research Council

Starting of funding: At the earliest 6 months after deadline submission

Duration:

- 24 months or at least 12 months
- 3 to 12 months (return phase)

Deadlines: February 1st / August 1st – 5:00 p.m.
Extension of the period of admission

- Maternity, paternity or adoption leave
- Inability to work due to illness or accident
- Duty of assistance
- Community services, including military or civilian service
- Continuing education, including internships or clinical activity
Evaluation criteria

• Quality,
• Originality and importance of the research project
• Scientific achievements and track records of the applicant
• Feasibility and perspectives of the project
• Ability to pursue (in Switzerland) a scientific career
• Host institution quality (working conditions, coaching possibilities and professional training)
• Expected gain in terms of mobility
**Annual contribution «mobility»**

**Fellowship**
- **Basis amount**: 40’000 - 69’500 CHF
- **Child allowances**: 12’000 CHF
- **Airfares**: 1 round-trip (family included)
- **Registration fees**: 75% or max. 15’000 CHF (justified cases)
- **Congress participation**: max. 2’000 CHF
- **Research costs**: max. 3’000 CHF (exceptionally)
- **Gender equality grant**: 1’000 CHF

**Return phase**
- own salary (payroll taxes incl.)
Contact us!

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Questions??
Thank you for your attention!

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