

Call for Applications

# Medical Scientist-Programme 2025

for scientists with a doctorate in medical research

Application deadline: 28.02.2025

Programme start: 01.10.2025

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*Ab From October 2025, Faculty VI will once again be funding a Medical Scientist. The programme is intended to help the candidate in their establishing process medical research and pave the way for a habilitation.*

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## Eligible to participate and funding

The programme is aimed at non-physician scientists who have completed a doctorate and have at least two peer-reviewed publications as first author, which are independent of the doctorate.

Funding is granted for three years in the form of personnel resources for the employment of a doctoral candidate (65% TV-L E13) as part of a structured doctorate with a doctoral committee. In addition, the programme provides funding of 10,000 euros per year. The programme does not fund the position of Medical Scientist.<sup>1</sup>

## Programme components and mentoring

Optimal scientific training and career development is guaranteed through participation in a customised accompanying curriculum. Participation in retreats and jour fixes, as well as the annual Research Day and the UMO Research Highlights, ensures networking among the grantees.

Continuous support from two mentors ensures optimal academic development. Regular reporting is obligatory.

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<sup>1</sup> If a position that is fully funded for the entire programme period is not available, the department must ensure that the doctoral candidate can continue to be supervised by another suitable supervisor from the same department who has a permanent employment contract in the event of the loss of the position. This must be confirmed informally in a separate letter stating the name, qualification and contact details and submitted with the application documents.

### Application process and selection procedure

The following documents must be submitted for the application as one coherent pdf file via [wiss.karriererfoerderung.fk6@uol.de](mailto:wiss.karriererfoerderung.fk6@uol.de) in German or English:

- ✓ Cover
- ✓ Scientific curriculum vitae
- ✓ Presentation of the research project including timetable (max. 10 pages)
- ✓ Planned expenditure of material resources per funding year
- ✓ Supervision agreement and minutes of the target agreement meeting
- ✓ Career plan
- ✓ Outline of the habilitation programme (one page)
- ✓ Elaborated doctoral plan for the doctoral position (part of the presentation of the research project)
- ✓ Research for additional extramural research funding options in the research area
- ✓ If applicable, confirmation of qualified continued supervision of the doctoral candidate in the event of loss of position or discontinuation of the Medical Scientist programme  
Proof of degree, doctorate and employment contract

Any ethics applications, animal testing applications or genetic engineering approvals must be submitted by the start of the programme on 1 October 2025.

Programme participants are selected on the basis of internal or external reviews and a selection committee of the faculty in a two-stage process according to the principle of best selection. This is based on previous academic achievements, career plan and concept for achieving a habilitation, the quality of the research project and, in the second selection round, the applicant's presentation. Women are favoured for funding if they are equally qualified.

**For a detailed description of the programme requirements and a detailed checklist for your application, please refer to the Guidelines for Applicants document ([see here](#)) on our website. The requirements described there are mandatory.**

All other necessary documents for your application are also available for download on our website: <https://uol.de/medizin/clinician-medical-scientist>.

### Contact

Please contact the programme coordinator timely before submitting your application documents; she will also be happy to answer any questions you may have.

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As part of your application, it is advisable to seek advice from the Faculty's Medical Ethics Committee or the Coordination Centre for Clinical Trials (KKS) ([med.ethikkommission@uol.de](mailto:med.ethikkommission@uol.de); [kks@uol.de](mailto:kks@uol.de)).