

Felles forskningsutvalg

St. Olavs hospital og Fakultet for medisin og helsevitenskap

CALL FOR PROPOSALS FOR RESEARCH FUNDING FROM FELLES FORSKNINGSUTVALG FOR 2021

Felles forskningsutvalg [FFU - The joint research committee] is a collaboration between St. Olavs hospital HF and the Faculty of Medicine, NTNU. FFU administer research funds from Helse Midt-Norge RHF [the Central Norway Regional Health Authority]. The main goal of FFU is to strengthen the activity-quality- and cooperation of research between St. Olavs hospital and NTNU [which together forms the Integrated University Hospital] and to promote a joint culture for research.

For 2021 FFU calls for proposals within the following application categories

1. Two-year research projects [up to 1 million kroner]
2. Researcher position 50 % [up to 3 years]

The research projects must be strategically relevant to the health sector, cf. current research- and innovation strategies for Helse Midt-Norge RHF, St. Olavs hospital HF and the Faculty of Medicine and Health Sciences, NTNU.

The deadline for application is 15 June 2020 at 3:00 p.m.

Who can apply?

Only permanent employees at St. Olavs hospital HF – in cooperation with the Faculty of Medicine and Health Sciences, NTNU and permanent employees at the Faculty of Medicine and Health Sciences, NTNU – in cooperation with St. Olavs HF are qualified to apply. Employees at NTNU Ålesund and NTNU Gjøvik are not entitled to apply.

About the application categories

Two-year research projects

Within this category, you may apply for a total of up to 1 000 000 kroner to cover e.g. operation costs and salary for among other things:

- Technical/administrative research personnel (research nurses, etc.)
- Use of research infrastructure
- Completion of PhD projects where the candidate has not previously received funding through being employed as a PhD candidate
- Research projects with innovation potential
- Replacement for applicants in clinical positions who intend to carry out research work.

The applied amount can be freely divided between the two years and must be spent within the two-year period. The use of local infrastructure is emphasized by the committee when deciding who will be granted funds.

Researcher position 50 %

Within this category you may apply for a researcher position 50 % for up to 3 years. The researcher must contribute to strengthen the research at the Integrated University Hospital and contribute actively to promote collaboration between the institute and the clinic. This collaboration must be

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made apparent in the project description. A plan for employment must exist in advance of application submission. The following requirements must be met:

- Applicants who are employed in a clinical position at St. Olav's hospital at the time of application, must be employed in a 50 % researcher position at a department at the Faculty of Medicine and Health Sciences, NTNU.
- Applicants who are employed in a scientific position at a department at the Faculty of Medicine and Health Sciences, NTNU at the time of application, must be employed in a 50 % researcher position at a clinic at St. Olav's hospital
- The applicant's doctoral thesis must have been submitted for review within 31 December application year. Doctor degree must be obtained before employment.

The grant is given according to rates from [Forskingsrådet](#) [the Research Council] for Post-doctoral research fellowships, duties is not included and applicants may be called for an interview.

Formal requirements for the application

1. [Template for project description and requirements for attachments for application for project funds from FFU](#) must be followed
2. [Current regulations for regional research funding from the Central Norway Regional Health Authority](#) must be followed
3. Documented research collaboration between St. Olavs hospital HF and the Faculty of Medicine and Health Sciences, NTNU Trondheim is a requirement

The project description must include a specification of the collaboration active participation from both institutions is required. This requirement is considered fulfilled when all relevant collaborating partners from both institutions have affirmed their project participation through eSøknad.

4. Documented management commitment at both clinic and institute is a requirement

All applications must be approved by the head of the given clinic at St. Olavs hospital and the head of the given department at the Faculty of Medicine and Health Sciences, NTNU. Management approval means that leaders from both institutions support the project application and that they perceive the project as feasible at the given institution. The head of clinic commits through eSøknad while the head of department must complete the [management commitment form](#), which must be included as an attachment to the application.

When applying for the researcher position 50 %, a completed [management commitment form](#), signed by both the head of the given clinic and the head of the given department must follow as an attachment to the application. Projects that entail cooperation between several clinics and/or institutes may be committed at a higher level of management.

Applications that do not fulfill the formal requirements will be rejected

Submitting applications

Applications are submitted through the health authorities' electronic application system, [eSøknad](#). Select "Helse Midt-Norge" and «Felles Forskningsutvalg» on the front page and follow the instructions integrated in the eSøknad-system.

It is not possible to edit your application after it has been submitted or to submit an application after the **submission deadline 15 June 2020 at 3:00 p.m.**

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Allocation of funds

Regionalt samarbeidsorgan for utdanning, forskning og innovasjon i Helse Midt-Norge RHF [[Samarbeidsorganet](#)] approves allocation of the research funds on behalf of FFU in November 2020. The allocation of funds will be published on the [Felles Forskningsutvalg website](#).

The projects that are granted funds may start the earliest 01.01.2021 and latest 01.09.2021.

Questions about the call for proposals can be addressed to

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- Haakon Skogseth, Head of Research at St. Olavs hospital HF: haakon.skogseth@stolav.no
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Note: In case of a conflict, the Norwegian call for proposals is the legally binding version.