



Alliance Visitor Grants

With the Visitor Program, the **Health + Life Science Alliance** provides support for medium term stays of international recognized guest scientists to foster scientific exchange and to establish new research co-operations. Alliance group leaders are entitled to invite guest scientists to visit one or more of the member institutions with a focus on expertise exchange on new and innovative topics that range from basic research to transfer and translation. The visitors should share their expertise in at least one talk or lecture, open to all Alliance members and/or the public. The Health + Life Science Alliance will advertise the talk/ lecture via its media channels.

Applications for hosting guest scientists can be submitted at any time, but will be evaluated quarterly (end of Jan, Apr, Jul, Oct). Please take this timeframe into consideration when planning to apply for support.

Submit the attached form as one single pdf to programs@health-life-sciences.de and kindly include "Visitor Grant 2023" in the subject line.

Funding

- Guest scientists: Up to 20.000 Euro (max.) will be provided to cover expenses such as accommodation, travel, guest board or guest status.
- The max. length of a funded stay is 3 months.
- Lab visits of PhD or Master students cannot be funded.
- Expenditures must be in line with the procurement and employment principles of the host institution and the state of Baden-Württemberg.

Application Process & Funding Criteria

- Applications need to be submitted by the host.
- Please apply any time by providing the following:
 - purpose and schedule of visit; description of planned research activities (max. 500 words)
 - name, professional status, and institutional affiliation of guest
 - hosts and institutions involved
 - planned date and duration, including confirmation that organizational aspects of the planned stay (such as visa, accommodation, etc.) can be fulfilled in time by the hosting institution
 - date, venue and target group for talk
 - budget outline (separated by item category, e.g., travel, accommodation, board/daily rate; lecture fees cannot be applied for)

Additional information

- All corresponding events (e.g., keynotes, talks) should be open to the entire Health + Life Science Alliance and/or the public, depending on the topic covered.
- A proof of use of the funds must be provided.
- The management office of the Health + Life Science Alliance will promote events or talks related to funded visitors and may publish the description of the research activities.
- The organizers have to acknowledge the Health + Life Science Alliance on all materials related to a visit.
- Please apply by submitting the attached template as one single pdf to programs@health-life-sciences.de.
- For further information on the Health + Life Science Alliance Heidelberg Mannheim, please check out <https://www.health-life-sciences.de>.

For questions, please contact programs@health-life-sciences.de

We look forward to hearing from you!

About the Health + Life Science Alliance Heidelberg Mannheim

The Health + Life Science Alliance Heidelberg Mannheim strives to promote research and innovation through synergy – by bridging world-leading life science and biomedical research institutions and by bringing together a highly diverse range of disciplines and a cluster of top researchers. Heidelberg University with its faculties of Medicine, Biosciences, and Engineering Sciences, the University Hospital Heidelberg (UKHD) and the University Hospital Mannheim (UMM), the German Cancer Research Center (DKFZ), the European Molecular Biology Laboratory (EMBL), the Max-Planck-Institute for Medical Research (MPIImR), and the Central Institute for Mental Health (ZI Mannheim) have the common goal to develop the Rhine-Neckar region into a world-leading innovation cluster by supporting cutting-edge research and promoting transfer of knowledge into new diagnostics and therapeutics. The participating research institutions are located at the heart of a highly dynamic urban economic and industrial area embedded in a beautiful region with high quality of life.