Spain (ISCIII)

Please note that country specific requirements might apply to this call. For further information follow the links below or contact the national representative.

Country	Spain
Funding organisation	Institute of Health Carlos III - Instituto de Salud Carlos III (ISCIII) (Spain) www.isciii.es
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National Programme	Acción Estratégica en Salud (AES 2024)
Anticipated Amount of Funding for This Call	**750.000 €** (pending of approval of Spanish State Budget)
Anticipated number of fundable proposals	3

Maximum/ Minimum funding per grant awarded to a project partner	Maximum funding from ISCIII per awarded Spanish project:
	
	If a Spanish Partner requesting funding to the ISCIII IS NOT the Coordinator of the transnational project:
	  • **220.000 €** (overheads included), if there is only one Spanish Partner requesting funding to the ISCIII in the proposal.
	  • **275.000 €** (overheads included), if there are two Spanish Partners requesting funding to the ISCIII in the proposal.
	
	If a Spanish Partner requesting funding to the ISCIII IS the Coordinator of the transnational project:
	  • **320.000 €** (overheads included), if there is only one Spanish Partner in the proposal, acting as a coordinator.
	  • **400.000 €** (overheads included), if there is one Spanish Partner in addition to the Spanish Coordinator in the proposal, both requesting funding to the ISCIII.
	
	 Overheads according to AES 2024: 25%
	Projects' duration: from 24 months to 36 months
	
	The level of funding will take into account the evaluation of the collaborative proposal, the scientific quality of the Spanish group, the added value of the international collaboration and the financial resources available.

	A maximum of two partners requesting funding from ISCIII may participate in the same project proposal. Same beneficiary institution cannot participate with more than one partner in the same project proposal.
Eligible Institutions	**Accredited Health Research Institutes** (Institutos de Investigación Sanitaria acreditados, IIS). Accredited according to the RD 279/2016 (These institutions may manage research via a foundation regulated according to the Spanish Act 50/2002, of December 26th). See the list of IIS in this link. **Hospitals, primary health care or public health administration of the Spanish National Health System (SNS).** These institutions may manage research via a foundation regulated in accordance to the Spanish Act 50/2002, of December 26th (a copy of the foundation's statutes may be submitted). **CIBER**. Team members applying to the call must be from at least two groups belonging to CIBER in two different home institutions and one of these two should be a Hospital, primary health care or public health administration of the Spanish National Health System (SNS) or Accredited Health Research Institutes (Institutos de Investigación Sanitaria acreditados, IIS). Please contact Cristina Rodríguez (cristina.rodriguez@ciberisciii.es) for more information related to CIBER's eligibility. **Private health entities and institutions, Public Research Institutions (OPIs)** as defined in article 47 of Law 14/2011, of 1 June, in accordance with the provisions of Royal Decree 202/2021, of 30 March, **public Universities and private Universities with proven R&D activity capacity, other public R&D centers**. These entities can only participate if they apply together with hospitals, primary health care or public health administration of the Spanish National Health System (or Accredited Health Research Institutes (IIS) in the same proposal. It is not allowed for these entities to apply independently, thus **there must be two beneficiary Spanish institutions requesting funding to ISCIII in the same proposal**. **Applicants from ISCIII** are eligible in the same conditions as Public Research Institution (OPI) above-mentioned. Eligibility criteria from AESI 2024 apply. **NOT eligible institutions:** - Those declared by AES 2024 as ineligible to receive funds by ISCIII. - Particularly for this call, it will not be eligible the **National Technological Centres** and National Centres for supporting technological innovation that are inscribed in the Register according by RD 2093/2008, of 19 December.
Additional clause regarding available grant	After the evaluation process and based on their budgetary availability and requested funding of selected projects, AEI and ISCIII may exchange applicants to each other in order to optimize the available funds, provided the respective eligibility rules are met.
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	• **Personnel costs:** Personnel costs will be eligible for contracts with the needed professional category (superior technician, BSc (grado), MSc

	(máster), PhD (doctor) for the project development accordingly to the published salary tables in ISCIII's webpage/ AES 2024. Personnel cost will precisely adhere to the salary tables, no other amount will be considered, either upper nor lower. Contracts for PhD students will be done in the framework of National Subprogramme for Training (scholarships are not eligible). Personnel costs will NOT be eligible when they correspond to civil servants or the equivalent personnel (as specified in the Art. 3.4 of AES 2024) either employed by the beneficiary entities or belonging to the research team. Personnel costs will be eligible when corresponding to contracts under the frame of Art. 23bis of Law 14/2011, 1st June, following the specifications established in AES2024. **Other eligible costs**: Current costs, small scientific equipment, disposable materials, travelling expenses, complementary expenses (use of central and general research support services of the beneficiary entity), publication and dissemination of results and other costs as included in AES 2024 that can be justified as necessary to carry out the proposed activities. **Overheads** according to AES 2024: 25% **Double funding of the same concept is not allowed.** National applications will be required by ISCIII from PIs whose proposal is approved for funding.
Eligibility of PI and team members	• Principal Investigators (PI) shall mandatory have **PhD degree**. • Principal Investigators (PI) can only participate in one project proposal per call. • Principal Investigators (PIs) belonging to an **Accredited Health Research Institutes (IIS)** could apply **only from the IIS.** • The Principal Investigator (PI) and all members of the research group must belong to the eligible institutions in the call. • Only one PI per beneficiary institution may be funded within the same proposal. • PIs that have an ongoing International Collaboration (PCIN) project of the same initiative and purpose that this call and that the project has an ending date after the 31st December 2024 will not be able to apply for this call. This incompatibility will affect only to the PI. And this incompatibility will not apply in the case that the PI participate as coordinator in the new application or in the ongoing project. • For additional incompatibilities please review AES 2024. **Excluded personnel as Principal Investigator (PI):** • Those undergoing a postgraduate training in Health Specialization (MIR, EIR, FIR, QIR, BIR, PIR, RFIR). • Those undergoing research training (e.g. PhD students, or "Río Hortega" contracts). • Those undergoing postdoctoral training (e.g. "Sara Borrell" or "Juan de la Cierva" contracts). • Researchers contracted by a RICORs and platforms funded by ISCIII.
Requirements on data and repositories	• Researchers funded by ISCIII must make public the human genomic data, as well as relevant data (phenotype and exposition data) generated inside the funded project and will use open access repositories. Researchers must also make public all the necessary information for the interpretation of these genomic data, including lab protocols, and data instruments survey tools. Genomic data is understood as: association of complete genomes (GWAS), matrixes of de polymorphism of a single nucleotide (SNP) and sequence of genome, and transcriptomic, metagenomic, epigenomic and gene expression data. The researchers

	whose projects are funded by ISCIII are recommended to store their scientific data at the "ELIXIR Core Data Resources", or if non-European repositories or data bases are to be used they must be certified by ELIXIR or the US National Center for Biotechnology Information (NCBI). • ISCIII may not fund any project that may require a repository and/or a data base without a plan ensuring sustainability and decommissioning after the end of funding.
Requirements for clinical studies	Spanish groups that are involved on the performance of a clinical trial in the proposal, are recommended to include in their team a member from their scientific node of the EU Clinical Trials Network (SCReN or ECRIN-ERIC) or if it does not exist, a member from the personnel of their Clinical Research Supporting Platform of their institutions (UIC).
National phase	Due to administrative and legal regulations, the Institute of Health Carlos III establishes the **31st October 2024** as the national deadline for the decision on fundable project consortia which includes Spanish partners to be funded by ISCIII, which must present their national application in the period stated in AES 2024. Any concerned applicant in a proposal for which no final decision has been made by the deadline of 31/10/2024, could be declared not fundable by ISCIII.
Submission of a pre-eligibility form needed at national level	In order to expedite the eligibility check process, it is mandatory that all the applicants submit the CVA-ISCIII of the PI. This document shall be submitted by the PI by electronic email before the proposal submission deadline to: mauriciog@isciii.es or mmnieto@isciii.es.
Acknowledgements	Any publication, data base, product or event protected with IPR or not, resulting from the granted project must acknowledge "Award no. XX by Instituto de Salud Carlos III (ISCIII) through AES 2024 and within NEURON ERA-NET" even after the end of the project, including other specific acknowledgments that could be requested by ISCIII to the granted project. For more information please see ISCIII's ROR here.