

**RFA 12-07 Appendix BMBF:
National eligibility criteria for Partner PIs from Germany**

Eligible for funding in collaboration with RFA 12-07: **CIRM Early Translational IV Research Awards** are all institutions with existing research projects or proposals in the field of regenerative medicine that have been implemented after a successful peer review procedure. Under this RFA, BMBF supports collaborative efforts of German scientists in the context of the above mentioned projects with their Californian partners. As a rule, the additional expenditure should generally not exceed 25% of preexisting funding. The applicants have to form consortia with their respective Californian partners and participate in CIRM's application procedure as described in CIRM's RFA 12-07. CIRM/BMBF collaborative proposals will be evaluated as integrated projects.

To participate in CIRM's RFA 12-07, the German Partner PIs must submit an informal request in writing, not more than 10 pages, to the responsible project management agency (contact data below), delineating:

- I. description of the existing, peer reviewed research project(s)
- II. description of the proposed research project, intended as collaborative component of the application to RFA 12-07
- III. the added value and benefit of the international cooperation
- IV. expected project results of the international cooperation
- V. utilization of the expected project results
- VI. the necessary budget for the additional new project (personnel costs, consumables).

Section II above must be included in the CIRM Pre-Application, submitted by the Californian partner, in the text box entitled "Partner PI Role". If section II is longer than 3000 characters (limit of "Partner PI Role" section in CIRM Pre-Application), or needs to be modified to better integrate with the remainder of the CIRM Pre-Application, summarize that information before entering it into the CIRM Pre-Application form.

The informal request must be submitted to the project management agency together with a copy of the California PI's Pre- Application for RFA 12-07 by 5 pm, October 26, 2012 for evaluation by the German side. Pre-Applications with both a German and a Californian component will be subjected to CIRM's evaluation procedure as described in section VIII of RFA 12-07. At the level of full applications (see section VIII of RFA 12-07), BMBF or its representative project management agency will participate as guests in the CIRM Grants Working Group review meeting in June 2013.

After positive scientific evaluation of the full applications, formal German application documents (AZA/AZK) have to be provided to the project management agency upon request.

It is highly recommended that potential German applicants contact the project management agency prior to an application for further advice. Contact point:

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