

RFA 10-02 Appendix A:

National eligibility criteria for Partner PIs from Germany

Eligible for funding in collaboration with RFA 10-02: Tools and Technologies for Translational Bottlenecks (Tools and Technologies Research Awards II), are all 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 the amount of funding for the existing research project. The applicants have to form consortia with their respective Californian partners and participate in CIRM's application procedure as described in CIRM's RFA 10-02. CIRM/BMBF collaborative proposals will be evaluated as integrated projects.

To participate in CIRM's RFA 10-02, the German Partner PIs must submit an informal request in writing, not more than 10 pages, to the Project Management Jülich, PtJ (Projektträger Jülich), delineating:

- i.) which research project is intended to be brought into the application for RFA 10-02
- ii.) the added value of the international cooperation
- iii.) potential alterations in the expected project results (and utilization) of the existing project
- iv.) utilization of the expected project results
- v.) the necessary budget for the project (personnel costs, consumables).

This request must be submitted to PtJ together with a copy of the California PI's Pre-Application for RFA 10-02 by Wednesday, May 19, 2010 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 **VI** of RFA 10-02. At the level of full applications (see also section VI of RFA 10-02), BMBF or PtJ will participate as guests in the CIRM Grants Working Group review meeting in November 2010.

After positive scientific evaluation of the full applications, formal German application documents (AZA/AZK) have to be provided to PtJ upon request. It is recommended that potential German applicants contact PtJ prior to an application for further advice.

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