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| Before you submit your AO CMF Start-up grant application |

Please check that

* your application complies with our guidelines and your institute agrees to our sample contracts. No contract negotiations can be accepted  
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* your application does not exceed the allowed number of pages
* all amounts must be converted to Swiss Francs
* your calculations are correct and totals in each section are entered.
* enclosed to this call is an excel template (help sheet) for the preparation of the budget – please use this template for your budget calculations and transfer the numbers to the budget in this form. This excel budget sheet has to be submitted with your application. Do not change any formula fields
* we need written and signed confirmation by the head of your institution if you applied for salary support for yourself or any co-investigator
* in case you plan a collaboration with the ARI (AO Research Institute in Davos), ARI must be contacted at least 3 weeks prior the deadline of the call (latest by Friday, August 12, 2022)

Please submit your application

* **as an unprotected Word-document** Tania Bosque, [tania.bosque@aofoundation.org](mailto:tania.bosque@aofoundation.org). Do not change any formats such as fonts and do not use capital letters
* **budget excel template – completed as a separate xls document but numbers also transferred to this application form**

You will receive

* a confirmation e-mail within a week regarding receipt of the application. Should you not receive the notification within one week, please contact: [tania.bosque@aofoundation.org](mailto:tania.bosque@aofoundation.org)
* a notification email on the decision approximately one month after the respective deadline

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| Part 1: General information |

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| Part 2: Personal data |

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| Part 3: Details of the proposal |

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| 1 Project abstract |

**Please summarize the whole project. The abstract must be suitable to stand alone as, in case of approval, it will be published on our website.**

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| 2 Outline the problem |

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| 3 State of the art in this field |

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| 4 Past research of the applicant in this field |

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| 5 Open questions, hypothesis, aim of the project |

**5.1 Open questions**

**5.2 Hypotheses**

5.3 What are the aims you want to reach with your study?

5.3.1 Anticipated results for year 1

Describe in a few sentences the anticipated results and goals for the first year

5.3.2 Anticipated results for year 2

Describe in a few sentences the anticipated results and goals for the second year

5.3.3 Anticipated results for year 3

Describe in a few sentences the anticipated results and goals for the third year

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| 6 Detailed research plan |

6.1 Study subjects, specimen or materials

6.2 Effect and outcome variables

6.3 Methods for taking measurements

6.4 Methods for data management and analysis (including biostatistical check)

6.5 Estimation of sample size and power

**6.6 Animal model**

If an in vivo animal model is used in the planned research work, please describe the model in detail. The description should include: anesthesia protocols, treatment protocols, pain management, surgical techniques, post-operative care, criteria for removal from the study if necessary, and euthanasia protocols.

**6.7 Ethical approvals**

(IACUC and/or IRB approvals, or anticipated ethical issues should be detailed)

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| 7 Relevance of the project |

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| 8 Time schedule |

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| 9 Relevant literature |

9.1 By the investigators

9.2 By other authors

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| Part 4: Other support |

**If any other funding has been, is or may be received for this study, its source and amount should be declared here.**

Is this application currently being submitted elsewhere?

Yes  No

If yes, to which organizations, and by what date is a decision expected?

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Please give details of how this affects the study and declare the budget. If there could be a duplication of funding received from the AO Foundation a revised budget should be submitted.

Has this or a similar application been submitted elsewhere over the past year?

If yes, please give details, and explain how this does not overlap with your current application to the AO Foundation.

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| Part 5: Finances — Budget for entire proposed project period |

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| Part 6: Existing resources |

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