

Information for Proposal Submission

GMP Production of Clinical Study Material for Gene and Cell Therapies

As a supplement to the call for proposals for the GMP production of clinical study material for gene and cell therapies, applicants are requested to please note the following information:

The application procedure consists of two stages. In the first step, a proposal outline is to be submitted to antrag@fortra-forschungstransfer.de by November 14, 2025. The outline may not exceed a maximum scope of two pages (without appendices, formatted in Arial 11 pt, single-line spacing) and can be written in German or English. The following points ought to be addressed thereby:

- What is the developmental status of the project, what is the medical background of the planned study (i.e. the medical need)?
- How much money is being applied for, and precisely what is the money supposed to be used for?
- What does the entire GMP production process cost, and how is the percentage supposed to be financed that is potentially not being covered by ForTra?
- Timetable and funding schedule for the subsequent clinical gene or cell therapy study: When can the study be initiated realistically, who can and/or who is going to finance it?
- Do intellectual property (IP) rights / patents relevant to the project exist? If so: Who holds them and for how long are they still valid before they elapse?

Eligible to submit proposals for non-profit funding by ForTra are clinician and medical scientists employed by academic research facilities (hospital clinics, research institutes, etc.) or other non-profit scientific entities. No support can be given to projects in which project-related property rights have already been transferred or exclusively licensed to companies/spin-offs or private individuals and/or other rights to IP or (clinical) data have been granted exclusively to companies.

Appendices:

- Applicants' curricula vitae (CV) and list of publications. As applies to the list of publications: list current publications and those from the last five years (i.e. from 2020 and later; separation according to original and review papers); in each case, list all authors (using bold type to mark the applicant) and indicate journal impact factors; in the last two columns, please add a list of the first and last authorships using consecutive numbers – see online [“Publication List Template”](#))

- List third-party funding, both current funds and funding concluded in the last five years (i.e. from 2020 and later; applicant, title, funding entity, term and funding sum)
- Possibly pending or granted patents (including information about ownership and validity period)
- The applicants' signed Declaration towards the Storage of Data (can be downloaded [here](#)) in case that this has not been already submitted to ForTra on the occasion of an earlier application submission