START PROGRAM

Preliminary information on queries in the new START portal
Dear Applicants,

Please find attached a preliminary list of queries in the new START portal. You can use this list to prepare for submission of your START application now. According to plan, you will then be able to enter and submit your application in the START portal from December 15th 2022 on.

Please note that you can only submit your application via the START portal, submission by email is no more possible!

The list below is for your information only and should allow you to prepare the actual submission.

If you have any questions about the portal, please contact the following email address: start@ukaachen.de.

If you have any questions regarding the content, please contact Dr. Silke Reuter as usual (sreuter@ukaachen.de; 80 256).

Please refer to the further information material on the new START portal on the pages of the Dean’s Office of the Faculty of Medicine www.medizin.rwth-aachen.de → funding).

Your Research Deanery
A. Official and application related data of the applicant
   1. What is your employment status?
   2. What is your current scope of employment?
   3. Do you have any other employment relationships?
   4. What is your current contract term?
   5. Is continued employment beyond the end of the project assured? (Please note that this point may need to be confirmed by a letter from the clinic or institute director, keyword: “Weiterbeschäftigungszusage”).
   6. In which funding line (short application, full application) do you submit your application?
   7. What is the planned duration of the project?
   8. For publications not yet published (accepted publications only), you must submit the letter from the editor.
   9. A link to the journal via Web of Science is requested, to prove that it is listed as a Q1 publication in the year published.
   10. Is it a resubmission?
   11. Have you had a START project in the role of the project leader, if so how many?
   12. If you already had a START project, you will need proof of third-party funding (at least the amount of the START project) or a Q1 first/last authorship (also shared) or patent application.
   13. If applicable, file number of a previous START project.
   14. Do you need the approval of the ethics committee or the LANUV to carry out the planned project?
   15. Ethics/LANUV approval number, if applicable.
   16. Do you currently have a DFG proposal or a proposal from another external funding body on similar or the same topic under review or already approved?
   17. If applicable, you need to upload grant applications listed under 16. On a similar topic.

B. General information
   1. Deputy project leader: name, clinic/institute, telephone, email, employment relationship, length of contract.
   2. Other responsible employees: name clinic/institute.
   3. Cooperation partners: name clinic/institute

C. Structured abstract
   1. You need to enter a structured abstract in the portal, it is separate from the project outline, this saves you space.
   2. You must list and explain separately any consumables applied for, including funds for laboratory animals.
   3. You must list and explain means of investment, if applying for.
   4. In addition, it is possible to claim congressional expenses, you will need to explain this as well.
   5. You will have to put in specific numbers for each item mentioned.

D. Third-party funding
   1. You must provide the following key data for each previous, current or already approved internal grant: project leader, subject of the project, funding institution (file number), funding period, funding amount.
   2. You must also provide this information for external previous, current, or previously approved funding.