

Deadline	Thur 22 Apr 2021, 23:59:59:00 CET (IOCB deadline Tue 13 Apr 2021 - please follow IOCB deadlines below)
Call name	JUNIOR STAR grants 2022
www	https://gacr.cz/vyhlaseni-verejne-souteze-junior-star-2022/
Focused on	Support of projects in basic research focused on following scientific fields: EX1 Mathematics and Physics 1; EX2 Physics 2; EX3 Chemistry; EX4 Human Biology and Medicinal Sciences; EX5 Biology and Agricultural Sciences; EX6 Social Sciences; EX7 Humanities; EX8 Technical Sciences and Informatics
PI	Applicant up to 8 years from Ph.D. defence (1 Oct 2013 – 10 Oct 2021); excluding the maternity leave and parental leave, sick leave for long-term sickness and other long-term career breaks on legal basis; to be sufficiently proved. Significant international experience – Ph.D. diploma acquired abroad, a long-term research stay or several short-term research stays abroad, cooperation with foreign authors – proved by a peer-reviewed publication
Eligible organisation	Research organizations: research institutes, universities, higher education institutions, and other legal entities seated in CR dealing with research. Project proposal comprises only one applicant (one institution). Participation of co-applicants is not possible.
Target group	Teams may consist of: researchers at any career stage, postdocs, students, technical and administrative staff.
Expected outputs	Publications and other outputs of fundamental research (according to Methodology for Evaluating of RDI): Peer-reviewed article (J _{imp} , J _{sc}); Book (B); book chapter (C); paper in proceedings (D).
Call opens	Wed 10 Mar 2021
IOCB deadline	Tue 23 Mar 2021 inform us about your intention to apply and your choice of evaluation panel at projectoffice@uochb.cas.cz Tue 6 Apr 2021 budget for checking Tue 13 Apr 2021 formal check of whole proposal except part C1 (the project description) Tue 20 Apr 2021 send final PDF version of project proposal generated in GRIS system
Final deadline	Thur 22 Apr 2021, 23:59:59 CET
Evaluation results	2 Nov 2021
Signature of agreement	Subject to GA ČR procedures.
Earliest date of implementation	1 Jan 2022
Latest date of implementation	31 Dec 2026
Sustainability	Not applicable
Reporting	Periodical report: financial (annually in Jan of the following year) and scientific report (2,5 years after the project start) Final report: financial (30 days after the project termination) and scientific report (1 year after the project termination)
Project duration (min-max)	5 years
Allocation for the call	1740 M CZK/year
Project budget (min-max)	max. 25 M CZK /project
Success rate	8,4 % (2021) (40 projects shall be funded)
Eligible costs	Direct costs:

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • personnel costs – salaries including mandatory contributions (1,358 of a gross salary) and personnel costs from other types contracts (DPP, DPC); for applicant, co-applicant, co-workers (members of team), other professional co-workers (postdocs, PhD students), other collaborators. Other types of contracts (apart from basic employment relationship) may make up up to 7% of personnel costs. • material costs – consumables, travel costs, services, intangible costs, costs of IPR, etc. • investments costs – acquisition or depreciation of tangible assets (acquisition cost > 80,000 CZK), aliquot part of costs reflecting the duration and intensity of the use in the project (up to 20 % of personnel and material costs) <p>Indirect costs: up to 20% of direct non-investments costs (overhead inclusive)</p>
Reimbursement	100%
Mode of funding	ex-ante
Language of application	English, selected information must be provided in Czech
Provider	Czech Science Foundation (GAČR), www.gacr.cz , Project submission – GRIS application: https://www.gris.cz/ Questions: helpdesk: info.gacr.cz
Call identifier	GAČR JUN STAR 2022
Information	JUNIOR STAR projects are focused on the support of excellent early-career researchers (max. 8 years from PhD) with the aim of supporting excellent basic research while provide an opportunity for the early-career researchers with an original research topic to build an independent group with several co-workers and modern equipment, that will enrich the recent structure of the basic research in CR.
Conditions / Restrictions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A single individual may submit no more than two Project Proposals within all of the public tenders administered by GAČR in a given calendar year for Projects launched in 2022 (subject to the exception provided below), and may be in the role of Applicant in one of the Proposals, and co-Applicant in the other. • If both such Project Proposals submitted by a single individual are selected for funding, he or she may proceed to carry out both Projects, unless any other circumstance resulting out of the pertinent tender document or applicable rules prohibits such involvement in two projects. • Three exceptions to the foregoing are the tenders for JUNIOR STAR projects and the POSTDOC INDIVIDUAL FELLOWSHIP (both INCOMING and OUTGOING), in which an Applicant may submit Project Proposals regardless of any other tenders or calls. An individual who submits a Project Proposal for a JUNIOR STAR or POSTDOC INDIVIDUAL FELLOWSHIP project may submit a maximum of two more Project Proposals, one as Applicant, and the other as Co-applicant. • A single individual may be the Applicant in only one of JUNIOR STAR or POSTDOC INDIVIDUAL FELLOWSHIP. • If an Applicant for JUNIOR STAR wins multiple public calls/tenders, he or she may carry out this JUNIOR STAR Project only, or a maximum of two other projects at a time (one as Applicant and the other as Co-applicant). • Required workload is at least 0,5 full-time equivalent (FTE) for the applicant and other professional co-workers. This request is not applicable to technical and administrative staff or to master and bachelor students. • Zero workload is not acceptable. A sum of workloads for one person in all projects funded by GAČR cannot exceed 1 FTE. • A postdoc is a person who defended their PhD less than 8 years before the starting date of the project (2.1.2014 – 1.1.2022). Career breaks such as maternity leave, parental leave and long-term illness are excluded from the limit. • Rewards and bonuses are not eligible personnel costs • The international experience of the applicant needs to be described in Parts A and D1. • Permitted attachments (to be uploaded only to the GRIS application) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A copy of PhD diploma - A Letter of Intent confirming international cooperation or a commitment to perform the necessary work at an institution abroad - A copy of documents confirming significant international experience - A list of foreign institutions that shall not be asked to evaluate the proposal - A quote from a supplier comprising the proper identification of supplier, the supplied items and the preliminary price – required if the cost of a single tangible asset exceeds 100,000 CZK or if the service(s) from a single supplier represent a value higher than 500,000 CZK/project; - Special licences – if required for the project implementation (check validity of the licence)

Proposal consists of	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Application forms are available on-line in the GRIS web application http://gris.cz. • Project proposal consists of the following parts: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A - basic identification data, abstract (1100 characters) and aims of the project (300 characters); - B - total funding, breakdown of financial items, incl. justification, detailed structure of personnel costs; - C (C1 and C2) - justification of project proposal (C1: up to 15 pages; 6MB) - D (D1 and D2) - CV and bibliography of the applicant; (D1: up to 2 pages/person; 1 MB) - E – information on other projects of the applicant • Project proposal has to be converted to PDF format and sent by email to projectoffice@uochb.cas.cz who will submit it to GAČR via its data box. • Project proposal cannot be modified after the final PDF version is generated! <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - breach of the electronic seal constitutes the reason for the rejection of the project proposal • The Statutory declaration will be submitted by the Project Office.
Evaluation criteria	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Project aims (breakthrough character and prospective impact, ambitious intention, high risk/high gain); • Proposed methodology of implementation (conception, preparation and adequacy of the proposed methodology, including the time schedule of the implementation) • Competence and prerequisites of applicants and research team members (significant international experience of applicants, scientific results) • Readiness of the applicant to carry out the grant project (technical and institutional facilities); • Type of expected outputs; • International cooperation; • Adequacy of proposed costs. <p>Evaluation of project proposals is carried out in evaluation panels and discipline committees of GA ČR: (1st stage - 4 expert reviews by panel members + panel evaluation; 2nd stage - assessment from at least two foreign experts + panel evaluation).</p>
Research areas	All scientific fields and disciplines of basic research.
Call workshop	
IOCB contact	Please inform the IOCB Project Office about your intention to apply. Do not hesitate to contact us with your questions, concerns or request for help. Contact us on: projectoffice@uochb.cas.cz ; +420_220 183 266/229/527
Download documents	GACR JUN STAR 2022 Souhrn (in Czech) GACR JUN STAR 2022 Summary (in English) GACR JUN STAR 2022 Zadávací dokumentace (in Czech) GACR JUN STAR 2022 Tender document (in English) GACR JUN STAR 2022 Interní pravidla ÚOCHB (in Czech) GACR JUN STAR 2022 Internal rules IOCB (in English)