



## Becoming a "Junior Group Leader" at the DBE

### Introduction

The Medical Faculty developed criteria based on which a department may elect new group leaders (see 2020-04-20\_FGL\_Kriterien\_Fakultaet.pdf). One of the criteria is that this person already acquired considerable funding, allowing to maintain a research group. But in many cases one of the requirements for such prestigious funding is experience as a project or group leader, therefore the Department of Biomedical Engineering (DBE) introduces the status of "Junior Group Leader".

### Purpose of this document

This document describes in what cases and how the status of a "Junior Group Leader" may be granted.

### Scope

The status of "Junior Group Leader" is reserved for researchers who

- are already associated with the DBE (e.g. postdocs or scientific collaborators of established research groups at the DBE – applicants who not yet belong to the research community of the DBE please consult "DBE-Guidelines-Junior-Faculty-Application.pdf");
- have the appropriate experience;
- are in the process of submitting applications for major grants or for a leading position.

The status of "Junior Group Leader" shall give them an opportunity to present themselves as leaders of their current research projects.

### Related Documents

- 2020-04-20\_FGL\_Kriterien\_Fakultät.pdf
- DBE-Guidelines-Junior-Faculty-Application.pdf.

### Rights and duties of a "Junior Group Leader"

A "Junior Group Leader" has the right to present him or herself on our website with his research and his and her group as "Research Group" and within one of our Focal Areas/Research Clusters.

A Junior Group Leader is NOT entitled to vote during the DBE general assembly and the status is not permanent, but restricted to the time of ACTIVE applications for considerable funding or a leading position.

### Funding applications worthy of the status "Junior Group Leader"

Funding applications considered worthy of the status "Junior Group Leader" are e.g. SNF-eccellenza or Prima, ERC-grants, Eurostar, Botnar, Marie Curie etc.

### Processes

A confirmed senior group leader at the DBE shall submit an application for the status of Junior Group Leaders for one of his collaborators to the department head. This application includes a report for the candidate exported from meDme and a letter describing the application plans of the candidate. The application will then be discussed and decided during the next DBE executive board meeting.