Country	Switzerland
Funding organisation	Swiss National Science Foundation www.snf.ch
National contact person	Dr. Véronique Planchamp Division Biology and Medicine Swiss National Science Foundation Phone +41(0)31 308 22 22 E-mail: veronique.planchamp(at)snf.ch
Funding commitment	The SNSF has earmarked a budget of 1.2 million Swiss Francs over three years (currently equivalent to 0.98 Mio €). The Swiss amount will not be adjusted to reflect conversion rate changes.
Anticipated number of fundable research groups	Up to 4 research groups
Eligibility of project duration	Up to 36 months
Eligibility of a partner as a beneficiary institution	Refer to SNSF Funding Regulations and to SNSF General implementation Regulations: http://www.snf.ch/SiteCollectionDocuments/allg_reglement_16_e.pdf http://www.snf.ch/SiteCollectionDocuments/projektfoerderungsreglement-e.pdf http://www.snf.ch/SiteCollectionDocuments/snsf-general-implementation-regulations-for-the-funding-regulations-e.pdf Please note: The SNSF exclusively funds research conducted for purposes which are not directly commercial. Pursuant to the Research and Innovation Promotion Act RIPA and the legal framework of the SNSF, no research grants are awarded if the relevant research is conducted for directly commercial purposes or if the persons involved in the research work are not scientifically independent. For eligibility check please contact the national contact person identified above.
Eligibility of principal investigator or other research team member	Participation as Swiss applicant to the ERA-CAPS call (either as consortium coordinator or as national applicant) is restricted to one proposal. Participation as Swiss project partner in additional proposals is not limited. For this program, the terms of the Project funding regulations of the SNSF are valid. One applicant responsible for the correspondence with the SNSF has to be clearly defined among the Swiss investigators. Refer also to SNSF Funding Regulations and to SNSF General implementation Regulations: http://www.snf.ch/SiteCollectionDocuments/allg_reglement_16_e.pdf http://www.snf.ch/SiteCollectionDocuments/projektfoerderungsreglement-e.pdf http://www.snf.ch/SiteCollectionDocuments/snsf-general-implementation-regulations-for-the-funding-regulations-e.pdf Please note: Besides the eligibility check, the SNSF proceeds to a material check. This refers to the applicant's experience and research activity during several years as well as the

	demonstration of their scientific independence (Art. 4, Project funding regulations). Moreover, the material check ensures that the submitted proposal can be evaluated in detail, more particularly that it shows no obvious insufficiency in regulatory requirements (Art. 22, Funding Regulations). In case of several overlapping projects, all projects must significantly distinguish themselves from each other (Art. 17, Funding regulations). Swiss applicants must include a list of publications of the last 5 years (2011-2016) in the pre-proposal submission. This document must be uploaded with the pre-proposal form on the ELAN portal. For eligibility check, please contact the national contact person identified above when preparing the proposal as applications submitted by ineligible persons will not be considered nor further evaluated.
Eligibility of costs, types and their caps	Refer to SNSF Funding Regulations and to SNSF General implementation Regulations http://www.snf.ch/SiteCollectionDocuments/allg_reglement_16_e.pdf http://www.snf.ch/SiteCollectionDocuments/projektfoerderungsreglement-e.pdf http://www.snf.ch/SiteCollectionDocuments/snsf-general-implementation-regulations-for-the-funding-regulations-e.pdf Please note: Overhead contributions cannot be applied for. They are calculated on the basis of the research funding acquired by eligible institutions under eligible funding schemes. Contributions are paid in retrospect at a flat rate.
Submission of the proposal at the national level	Submission of the formal proposal at national level will be carried out once the international evaluation is finalized. The Swiss project partner(s) will then be invited by the SNSF to submit the proposal(s).

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