

IRP RESEARCH GRANTS 2021-2023 - FAQ

1. Who is eligible to apply as IRP Researcher?

To be considered an eligible IRP Researcher, candidates may be any researcher physically working in IRP in one of the IRP research laboratories as PIs or under the supervision of any IRP PI/Group leader, as reported in the latest IRP Scientific Report form (information collected in July 2020).

2. What are the cut-off dates of the eligibility period for applicants who want to apply to the IRP Starting, Consolidator or Moving Grant?

- IRP Starting Grant: > 2 and ≤ 7 years, prior to 1 January 2021, Cut-off dates: PhD awarded from 1 January 2014 to 31 December 2018.
- IRP Consolidator Grant: > 7 and ≤ 12 years, prior to 1 January 2021, Cut-off dates: PhD awarded from 1 January 2009 to 31 December 2013.
- IRP Moving Grant: > 0 and ≤ 5 years, prior to 1 January 2021, Cut-off dates: PhD awarded from 1 January 2016 (cycle 28) to 31 December 2020 (cycle 32).

3. What are eligible career breaks for the extension of the eligibility window and what are the documents that need to be submitted to justify those extensions?

Eligible career breaks that can be considered for the extension of the eligibility window are:

- Maternity leave: 18 months extension for each child born before or after the PhD award. Requested documents include birth certificate(s) or passport(s) of the child (ren) or any other official document that links the mother and the child (ren). If the leave was conducted as a part-time leave, this should be stated.
- Paternity leave: an official signed document from the employer certifying start and end date(s) of the individual leave(s); an official document proving the PI's right to social paternity benefits can also be accepted. Any document should mention the reason for the leave. If the leave was conducted as a part-time leave, this should be stated.
- Long-term illness (over ninety days): an official signed document from the employer certifying start and end date(s) of the individual leave(s). Any document should mention the reason for the leave. If the leave was conducted as a part-time leave, this should be stated. Furthermore, the request should be supported by an official document explaining the long-term nature of the illness or condition of the applicant or the close family member (e.g. from a hospital, a doctor or an insurance company). The supporting documents should also prove the family relationship in case the extension request relates to caring for a seriously ill close family member.
- Clinical training (after award of first eligible degree and by up to 4 years max.): an official document signed by the employer (usually a hospital) certifying start and end date(s) of the individual training period(s). Any document should mention the type of training. If the training was conducted part-time, this should be stated.

4. Where should the applicant include the use of IRP Facilities in the budget table?

IRP Facilities costs have to be described in “Other” specifying the exact amount.