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Tool to Mitigate the Negative Effects of the COVID-19 Crisis on Early Career Researchers – Requests for Financial Support from the Medical Faculty

The Medical Faculty of the University of Bern reserved an overall budget of CHF 400,000.00 to support young researchers that suffered massive delays in their research projects due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

This funding scheme is aimed at covering the salary of PhD or MD-PhD students working in one of the Institutes or Clinics from the associated hospitals and enrolled in one of the Graduate Schools of the University of Bern. The student should be within her/his 3rd or 4th training year. A maximum of six months of salary may be covered with this grant.

We aim to particularly promote young talented researchers that have already provided to some extent a research output such as authoring or co-authoring an original publication, contributing to a scientific conference, having received scientific prizes or fellowships, having mentored graduate students or MSc students. We will also prioritize promotion of PhD students supervised by young tenure track or non-tenured group leaders.

A contract extension through this grant shall allow the student to write the doctoral thesis or finalize experiments needed for the completion of the thesis.

Applications are to be collected by the corresponding Institutes and Clinics and sent to the dean's office. The dean's office expects to receive one application per Institute. Clinics/Institutes with over 20 PhD and MD-PhD students are eligible to hand in two applications.

In case of questions, please contact gabriela.schaller@meddek.unibe.ch



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Application form: Tool to Record the Negative Effects of the COVID-19 Crisis on Early Career Researchers – Requests for Financial Support from the Medical Faculty

Name		Surname	
Institute / Clinic			
Current number of PhD/MD-PhD students			
Supervisor			
Position supervisor			
Does the supervisor hold a tenure-track or non-tenured position?			

Graduate Programm	
Is the candidate within the 3rd or 4th year?	
Grade of Mid-term Evaluation	
Further comments:	

Send this application form together with the following supporting documents to gabriela.schaller@meddek.unibe.ch

1. Support letter from Institute/Clinic
2. CV and Research Output of candidate (max. 2 pages Arial 11, 1.15 line spacing)
3. CV und Research Output of supervisor, only in case of a tenure-track/non-tenure position (max. 4 pages Arial 11, 1.15 line spacing)
4. Copy of Doctoral Agreement