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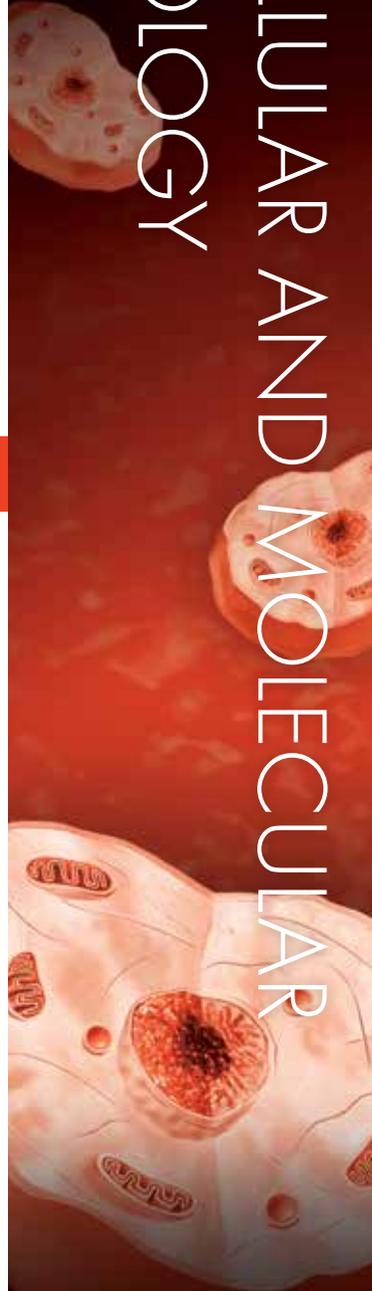
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PREFACE

This brochure provides a first insight into basic research in Germany in the field of cellular and molecular biology and is especially recommended to early career researchers from abroad.

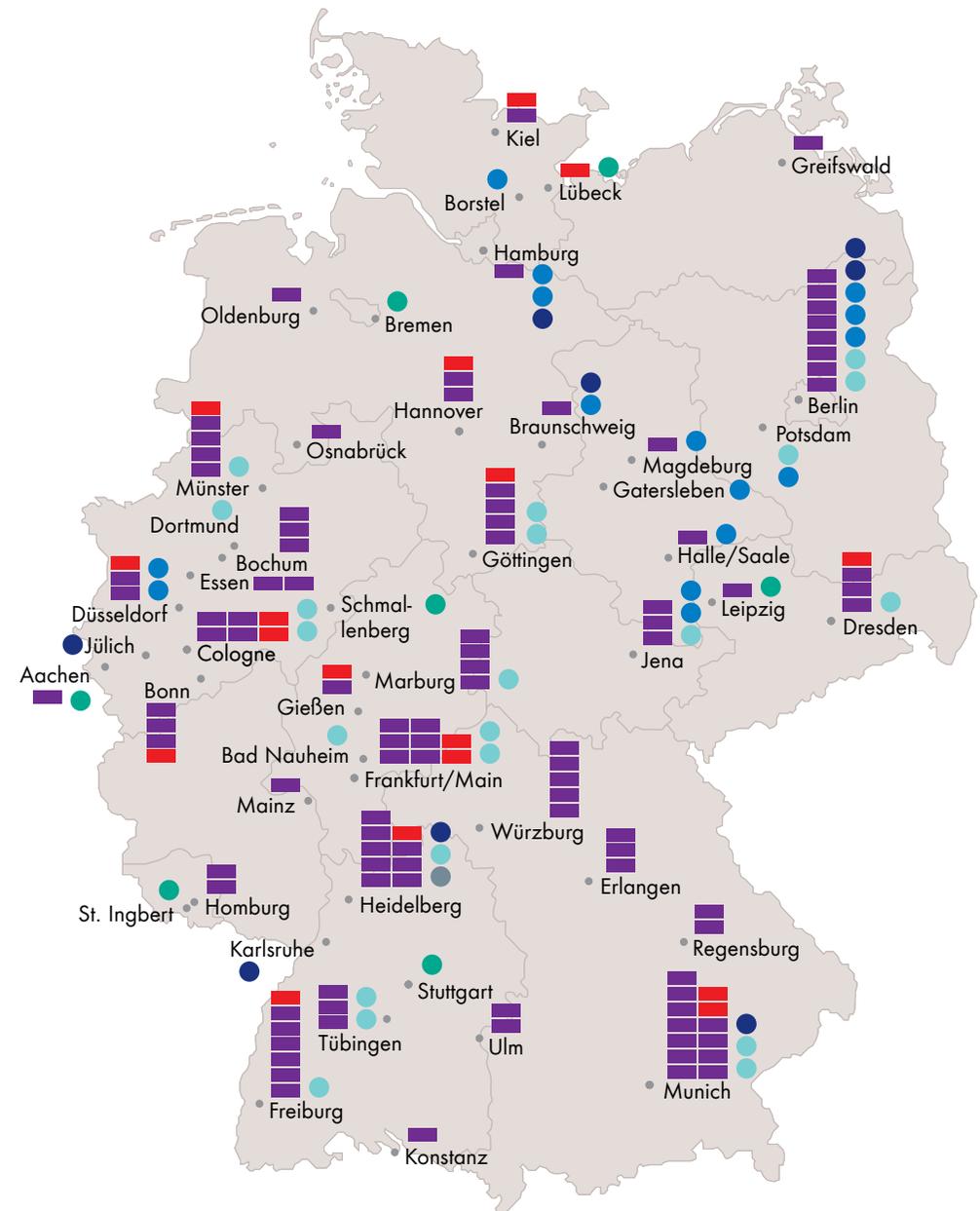
Cellular and molecular biology research in Germany is primarily conducted at universities but also at non-university research institutions. Almost all universities and many universities of applied sciences host a cellular and molecular biology research section. The spectrum ranges from small monothematic working groups to large interdisciplinary departments and covers a variety of topics from traditional areas to new explorative research fields.

This brochure is intended to give an initial overview. The following maps and tables highlight research consortia and graduate training programmes at universities and non-university research institutes with a main focus on cellular and molecular biology. Application-oriented research centres are included, if they are also focusing on basic research.

On top of this, there is a lot more to discover: e.g. the DFG funds a multitude of individual projects in the area of cellular and molecular biology. These individual grants outweigh the research consortia both in number and in overall funding volume. Towards the end of this brochure, you will find a link to the online database GEPRIS that provides an overview of all DFG funded research projects. You will also find additional important links for further information about programmes in the field of cellular and molecular biology and profiles of German universities and research institutions.

We invite you to explore the many opportunities that Germany has to offer and welcome your feedback.

CENTRES OF RESEARCH/ NON-UNIVERSITY RESEARCH INSTITUTIONS



	Clusters of Excellence		Fraunhofer Institutes
	Collaborative Research Centres/Transregios		Helmholtz Centres
			Leibniz Institutes
			Max Planck Institutes
			Others

DFG funded Priority Programmes and Research Units as well as the German Centres for Health Research (established by the Federal Ministry of Education and Research, BMBF) are not shown on the map since they are not necessarily located at a single location; they are listed on pages 19, 23 and 29.

Clusters of Excellence (EXC) were established at universities in the framework of the German Excellence Initiative and promote cutting-edge research. Their objective is to engage in scientific networking and collaboration in research fields of particular promise for the future. They also offer excellent training conditions and career opportunities for early career researchers.

Collaborative Research Centres (CRC) are organisational units established at universities which enable researchers to pursue an outstanding research programme crossing the boundaries of disciplines, institutes, departments and faculties. The traditional Collaborative Research Centre is generally applied for by one university and is conducted by researchers of that university. Early career support is a key objective of the Collaborative Research Centre Programme. Early career researchers may get involved in a CRC in numerous ways, for example within the framework of an Integrated Research Training Group. Collaborative Research Centres are funded for a period of up to 12 years.

Transregios (TRR) are Collaborative Research Centres in which up to three universities collaborate with each other and submit a joint application. The contributions of the cooperative partners are essential, complementary and synergetic to the joint research objective. Funding facilitates close, nationwide collaboration among the participating universities and researchers, as well as networking and shared use of resources. There is also the option of international Transregios.

Location	Institution	Title	Funded Since	Contact
CLUSTERS OF EXCELLENCE				
 Bonn	Rheinische Friedrich-Wilhelms-Universität Bonn	ImmunoSensation: The Immune Sensory System (EXC 1023)	2012	www.immunosensation.de
 Cologne Düsseldorf	Universität zu Köln Heinrich-Heine Universität Düsseldorf	Cluster of Excellence on Plant Sciences – From Complex Traits Towards Synthetic Modules (CEPLAS) (EXC 1028)	2012	http://ceplas.eu/en
 Cologne	Universität zu Köln	Cellular Stress Responses in Aging-Associated Diseases (CECAD) (EXC 229)	2007	www.cecad.uni-koeln.de
 Dresden	Technische Universität Dresden	Center for Regenerative Therapies Dresden (CRTD) (EXC 168)	2006	www.crt-dresden.de
 Frankfurt/Main Gießen	Johann Wolfgang Goethe-Universität Frankfurt am Main Justus-Liebig-Universität Gießen	Cardio-Pulmonary System (ECCPS) (EXC 147)	2006	www.eccps.de
 Frankfurt/Main	Johann Wolfgang Goethe-Universität Frankfurt am Main	Macromolecular Complexes (EXC 115)	2006	www.cef-mc.de
 Freiburg	Albert-Ludwigs-Universität Freiburg	BIOSS Centre for Biological Signalling Studies – From Analysis to Synthesis (EXC 294)	2007	www.bioss.uni-freiburg.de
 Göttingen	Georg-August-Universität Göttingen	Nanoscale Microscopy and Molecular Physiology of the Brain (CNMPB) (EXC 171)	2006	www.cmpb.uni-goettingen.de
 Hannover	Gottfried Wilhelm Leibniz Universität Medizinische Hochschule Hannover	REBIRTH – From Regenerative Biology to Reconstructive Therapy (EXC 62)	2006	www.rebirth-hannover.de/en
 Heidelberg	Ruprecht-Karls-Universität Heidelberg	Cellular Networks: From Molecular Mechanisms to Quantitative Understanding of Complex Functions (EXC 81)	2006	www.cellnetworks.uni-hd.de
 Kiel Lübeck	Christian-Albrechts-Universität Kiel Universität zu Lübeck	Inflammation at Interfaces (EXC 306)	2007	http://inflammation-at-interfaces.de/en

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Location	Institution	Title	Funded Since	Contact
 Münster	Westfälische-Wilhelms-Universität Münster	Cells in Motion – CiM: Imaging to Understand Cellular Behaviour in Organisms (EXC 1003)	2012	www.uni-muenster.de/CiMIC
 Munich	Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München Technische Universität München	Munich Cluster for Systems Neurology (SyNergy) (EXC 1010)	2012	www.synergy-munich.de
 Munich	Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München Technische Universität München	Center for Integrated Protein Science Munich (CIPSM) (EXC 114)	2006	www.cipsm.de/en
COLLABORATIVE RESEARCH CENTRES				
 Berlin	Freie Universität Berlin	Nanocarriers: Architecture, Transport, and Topical Application of Drugs for Therapeutic Use (CRC 1112)	2013	www.sfb1112.de/en
 Berlin	Freie Universität Berlin	Protonation Dynamics in Protein Function (CRC 1078)	2013	www.sfb1078.de
 Berlin	Freie Universität Berlin	Priming and Memory of Organismic Responses to Stress (CRC 973)	2012	www.sfb973.de
 Berlin	Freie Universität Berlin	Scaffolding of Membranes: Molecular Mechanisms and Cellular Functions (CRC 958)	2011	www.sfb958.de
 Berlin	Charité – Universitätsmedizin Berlin	From Molecules to Modules: Organisation and Dynamics of Functional Units in Cells (CRC 740)	2007	www.sfb740.de/en
 Berlin	Charité – Universitätsmedizin Berlin	Developmental Disturbances in the Nervous System (CRC 665)	2005	www.charite.de/sfb665
 Berlin	Charité – Universitätsmedizin Berlin	Cellular Approaches for the Suppression of Unwanted Immune Reactions – From Bench to Bedside (CRC 650)	2004	www.sfb650.charite.de/en
 Bochum	Ruhr-Universität Bochum	GTP- and ATP- Dependent Membrane Processes (CRC 642)	2004	www.sfb642.rub.de
 Bonn	Rheinische Friedrich-Wilhelms-Universität Bonn	Molecular Mechanisms and Chemical Modulation of Local Immune Regulation (CRC 704)	2006	www.sfb704.uni-bonn.de

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Location	Institution	Title	Funded Since	Contact
 Bonn	Rheinische Friedrich-Wilhelms-Universität Bonn	Regulation and Manipulation of Information Flow within Dynamic Protein and Lipid Environments (CRC 645)	2004	www.sfb645.uni-bonn.de
 Cologne	Universität zu Köln	Molecular Mechanisms Regulating Skin Homeostasis (CRC 829)	2009	www.sfb829.uni-koeln.de
 Cologne	Universität zu Köln	Cell-Autonomous Immunity (CRC 670)	2006	http://sfb670.uni-koeln.de
 Cologne	Universität zu Köln	Molecular Basis of Evolutionary Innovations (CRC 680)	2006	www.sfb680.uni-koeln.de
 Cologne	Universität zu Köln	Posttranslational Control of Protein Function (CRC 635)	2003	www.sfb635.uni-koeln.de
 Dresden	Technische Universität Dresden	Cells into Tissues: Stem Cell and Progenitor Commitment and Interactions during Tissue Formation (CRC 655)	2005	www.sfb655.de
 Düsseldorf	Heinrich-Heine Universität Düsseldorf	Liver Damage and Regeneration (CRC 974)	2012	www.uniklinik-duesseldorf.de/sfb-974 (DE)
 Düsseldorf	Heinrich-Heine Universität Düsseldorf	Master Switches in Cardiac Ischemia (CRC 1116)	2015	www.sfb1116.hhu.de
 Erlangen	Friedrich-Alexander-Universität Erlangen-Nürnberg	Reprogramming of Host Cells by Microbial Effectors (CRC 796)	2009	www.sfb796.forschung.uni-erlangen.de
 Erlangen	Friedrich-Alexander-Universität Erlangen-Nürnberg	Strategies of Cellular Immune Intervention (CRC 643)	2004	www.sfb643.uni-erlangen.de
 Essen	Universität Duisburg-Essen	Supramolecular Chemistry on Proteins (CRC 1093)	2014	www.uni-due.de/crc1093
 Frankfurt/Main	Johann Wolfgang Goethe-Universität Frankfurt am Main	Signalling by Fatty Acid Derivatives and Sphingolipids in Health and Disease (CRC 1039)	2013	www.lipidsignalling.de/en/home
 Frankfurt/Main	Johann Wolfgang Goethe-Universität Frankfurt am Main	Molecular Principles of RNA-based Regulation (CRC 902)	2011	www.sfb902.de
 Frankfurt/Main	Johann Wolfgang Goethe-Universität Frankfurt am Main	Endothelial Signalling and Vascular Repair (CRC 834)	2010	www.sfb834.de

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Location	Institution	Title	Funded Since	Contact
Frankfurt/ Main	Johann Wolfgang Goethe-Universität Frankfurt am Main	Redox-Regulation: Generatorsystems and Functional Consequences (CRC 815)	2009	www.redox-sfb.de/english
Frankfurt/ Main	Johann Wolfgang Goethe-Universität Frankfurt am Main	Transport and Communication Across Biological Membranes (CRC 807)	2008	www.sfb807.de
Freiburg	Albert-Ludwigs-Universität Freiburg	Medical Epigenetics (MEDEP) From Basic Mechanisms to Clinical Applications (CRC 992)	2012	www.sfb992.uni-freiburg.de
Freiburg	Albert-Ludwigs-Universität Freiburg	Control of Cell Motility in Morphogenesis, Cancer Invasion and Metastasis (CRC 850)	2010	www.sfb850.uni-freiburg.de/en
Freiburg	Albert-Ludwigs-Universität Freiburg	Functional Specificity by Coupling and Modification of Proteins (CRC 746)	2007	www.sfb746.uni-freiburg.de
Freiburg	Albert-Ludwigs-Universität Freiburg	Kidney Disease - from Genes to Mechanisms (KIDGEM) (CRC 1140)	2015	http://gepris.dfg.de <i>Keyword: SFB 1140</i>
Göttingen	Georg-August-Universität Göttingen	Modulatory Units in Heart Failure (CRC 1002)	2012	www.herzzentrum-goettingen.de
Göttingen	Georg-August-Universität Göttingen	Cellular Mechanisms of Sensory Processing (CRC 889)	2011	www.sfb889.uni-goettingen.de
Göttingen	Georg-August-Universität Göttingen	Integrative Structural Biology of Dynamic Macromolecular Assemblies (CRC 860)	2010	http://msb.bio.uni-goettingen.de/SFB860
Göttingen	Georg-August-Universität Göttingen	Functionality Controlled by Organization in and Between Membranes (CRC 803)	2009	www.uni-goettingen.de/en/213080.html
Halle/ Saale	Martin-Luther-Universität Halle-Wittenberg	Molecular Mechanisms of Information Processing in Plants (CRC 648)	2005	www.sfb648.uni-halle.de
Hamburg	Universität Hamburg	Liver Inflammation: Infection, Immune Regulation and Consequences (CRC 841)	2010	http://sfb841.de
Hannover	Medizinische Hochschule Hannover	Chronic Infections: Microbial Persistence and its Control (CRC 900)	2010	www.mh-hannover.de/sfb900.html

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Heidelberg	Ruprecht-Karls-Universität Heidelberg	Cellular Surveillance and Damage Response (CRC 1036)	2012	www.zmbh.uni-heidelberg.de/sfb1036
Heidelberg	Ruprecht-Karls-Universität Heidelberg	Environment Specific Control of Immunological Reactivity (CRC 938)	2011	www.klinikum.uni-heidelberg.de/SFB-938.124566.0.html
Heidelberg	Ruprecht-Karls-Universität Heidelberg	Maintenance and Differentiation of Stem Cells in Development and Disease (CRC 873)	2010	www.sfb873.de
Heidelberg	Ruprecht-Karls-Universität Heidelberg	Dynamics of Macromolecular Complexes in Biosynthetic Transport (CRC 638)	2004	http://bzh.db-engine.de
Heidelberg	Ruprecht-Karls-Universität Heidelberg	Integrative Analysis of Pathogen Replication and Spread (CRC 1129)	2014	http://gepris.dfg.de <i>Keyword: SFB 1129</i>
Heidelberg	Ruprecht-Karls-Universität Heidelberg	Reactive Metabolites as a Cause of Diabetic Complications (CRC 1118)	2014	www.klinikum.uni-heidelberg.de/Willkommen.132204.0.html
Homburg	Universität des Saarlandes	Ca²⁺ Signals: Molecular Mechanisms und Integrative Functions (CRC 894)	2011	http://sfb894.uni-saarland.de/en
Jena	Friedrich-Schiller-Universität Jena	AquaDiva: Understanding the Links between Surface and Subsurface Biogeosphere (CRC 1076)	2013	www.aquadiva.uni-jena.de
Jena	Friedrich-Schiller-Universität Jena	Chemical Mediators in Complex Biosystems (CRC 1127)	2014	www.chembiosys.de/en
Kiel	Christian-Albrechts-Universität zu Kiel	Proteolysis as a Regulatory Event in Pathophysiology (CRC 877)	2010	www.uni-kiel.de/Biochemie/sfb877
Konstanz	Universität Konstanz	Chemical and Biological Principles of Cellular Proteostasis (CRC 969)	2012	www.sfb969.uni-konstanz.de
Leipzig	Universität Leipzig	Obesity Mechanisms (CRC 1052)	2013	www.sfb1052.de
Magdeburg	Otto-von-Guericke-Universität Magdeburg	Molecular Organisation of Cellular Communication in the Immune System (CRC 854)	2010	www.sfb854.de

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Mainz	Johannes-Gutenberg Universität Mainz	Molecular and Cellular Mechanisms of Neural Homeostasis (CRC 1080)	2013	http://crc1080.com
Marburg	Philipps-Universität Marburg	RNA Viruses: RNA Metabolism, Host Response and Pathogenesis (CRC 1021)	2013	www.uni-marburg.de/sfb1021
Marburg	Philipps-Universität Marburg	Microbial Diversity in Environmental Signal Response (CRC 987)	2012	www.sfb987.de
Münster	Westfälische-Wilhelms-Universität Münster	Breaking Barriers – Immune Cells and Pathogens at Cell/Matrix Barriers (CRC 1009)	2012	http://campus.uni-muenster.de/sfb1009.html
Münster	Westfälische-Wilhelms-Universität Münster	Molecular Cardiovascular Imaging (MoBiI) – From Mouse to Man (CRC 656)	2005	www.uni-muenster.de/Sfbmobil/en
Münster	Westfälische-Wilhelms-Universität Münster	Molecular Cell Dynamics: Intracellular and Cellular Migration (CRC 629)	2003	http://campus.uni-muenster.de/sfb629.html
Munich	Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München	Atherosclerosis: Mechanisms and Networks of Novel Therapeutic Targets (CRC 1123)	2014	www.sfb1123.med.uni-muenchen.de/index.html
Munich	Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München	Chromatin Dynamics (CRC 1064)	2013	www.sfb1064.med.uni-muenchen.de
Munich	Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München	Control and Plasticity of Cell-Fate Decisions in the Immune System (CRC 1054)	2013	www.sfb1054.med.uni-muenchen.de
Munich	Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München	Trafficking of Immune Cells in Inflammation, Development and Disease (CRC 914)	2011	www.sfb914.med.uni-muenchen.de
Munich	Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München	Regulatory Networks in Genome Expression and Maintenance (CRC 646)	2005	http://sfb646.lmb.uni-muenchen.de
Munich	Technische Universität München	Control of Protein Function by Conformational Switching (CRC 1035)	2012	www.sfb1035.tum.de/en
Munich	Technische Universität München	Molecular Mechanisms Regulating Yield and Yield Stability in Plants (CRC 924)	2011	http://sfb924.wzw.tum.de
Munich	Technische Universität München	Forces in Biomolecular Systems (CRC 863)	2010	www.sfb863.de

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Munich	Technische Universität München	Imaging for Selection, Monitoring and Individualization of Cancer Therapies (CRC 824)	2009	www.sfb824.de/en
Osnabrück	Universität Osnabrück	Physiology and Dynamics of Cellular Microcompartments (CRC 944)	2011	www.biologie.uni-osnabrueck.de/forschung
Regensburg	Universität Regensburg	Ribosome Formation: Principles of RNP Biogenesis and Control of their Function (CRC 960)	2011	http://sfb960.de
Regensburg	Universität Regensburg	Structural, Physiological and Molecular Determinants of Kidney Function (CRC 699)	2006	www.sfb699.uni-regensburg.de (DE)
Tübingen	Eberhard Karls Universität Tübingen	Molecular Encoding of Specificity in Plant Processes (CRC 1101)	2014	www.uni-tuebingen.de/en/research/core-research/collaborative-research-centers/sfb-1101.html
Tübingen	Eberhard Karls Universität Tübingen	The Bacterial Cell Envelope: Structure, Function and Infection Interface (CRC 766)	2007	www.sfb766.uni-tuebingen.de
Ulm	Universität Ulm	Danger Response, Disturbance Factors and Regenerative Potential after Acute Trauma (CRC 1149)	2015	www.uni-ulm.de/einrichtungen/sfb-1149.html
Ulm	Universität Ulm	Experimental Models and Clinical Translation in Leukemia (CRC 1074)	2012	www.uni-ulm.de/einrichtungen/sfb-1074.html
Würzburg	Julius-Maximilians-Universität Würzburg	Insect Timing: Mechanisms, Plasticity and Interactions (CRC 1047)	2013	www.sfb1047.uni-wuerzburg.de/en
Würzburg	Julius-Maximilians-Universität Würzburg	Mechanisms and Imaging of Cell-Cell-Interactions in the Cardiovascular System (CRC 688)	2006	www.sfb688.uni-wuerzburg.de/en
COLLABORATIVE RESEARCH CENTRES/TRANSREGIOS				
Aachen	Rheinisch-Westfälische Technische Hochschule Aachen	Organ Fibrosis: From Mechanisms of Injury to Modulation of Disease (TRR 57)	2009	www.sfbtrr57.rwth-aachen.de
Bonn	Rheinische Friedrich-Wilhelms-Universität Bonn			

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Berlin	Charité – Universitätsmedizin Berlin	B Cells: Immunity and Autoimmunity (TRR 130)	2013	www.trr130. forschung.uni- erlangen.de
Erlangen	Friedrich-Alexander- Universität Erlangen- Nürnberg			
Freiburg	Albert-Ludwigs- Universität Freiburg			
Bochum	Ruhr-Universität Bochum	Mutual Interaction of Viruses with Cells of the Immune System: From Fundamental Research to Immunotherapy and Vaccination (TRR 60)	2009	www.uni-due.de/trr60
Essen	Universität Duisburg- Essen			
Shanghai (P.R. China)	Fudan University			
Wuhan (P.R. China)	Huazhong University of Science and Technology			
Bonn	Rheinische Friedrich- Wilhelms-Universität Bonn	Molecular Architecture and Cellular Functions of Lipid/ Protein Assemblies (TRR 83)	2010	www.trr83.de
Dresden	Technische Universität Dresden			
Heidelberg	Ruprecht-Karls- Universität Heidelberg			
Braun- schweig Oldenburg	Technische Universität Braunschweig Carl von Ossietzky Universität Oldenburg	Ecology, Physiology and Molecular Biology of the Roseobacter Clade: Towards a Systems Biology Understanding of a Globally Important Clade of Marine Bacteria (TRR 51)	2010	www.roseobacter.de
Dresden	Technische Universität Dresden	Biology of Xenogeneic Cell and Organ Transplantation – From Bench to Bedside (TRR 127)	2012	www.klinikum.uni- muenchen.de/SFB- TRR-127
Hannover	Medizinische Hochschule Hannover			
Munich	Ludwig-Maximilians- Universität München Technische Universität München			

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Frankfurt/ Main Heidelberg	Johann Wolfgang Goethe-Universität Frankfurt am Main Ruprecht-Karls- Universität Heidelberg	Vascular Differentiation and Remodeling (TRR 23)	2005	www.transregio23.de
Freiburg Homburg Munich	Albert-Ludwigs- Universität Freiburg Universität des Saarlandes Ludwig-Maximilians- Universität München	TRiPs to Homeostasis: Maintenance of Body Homeostasis by Transient Receptor Potential Channel Modules (TRR 152)	2014	www.sfb-trr152.med. uni-muenchen.de
Gießen Marburg Rotterdam (Nether- lands)	Justus-Liebig- Universität Gießen Philipps-Universität Marburg Erasmus University Rotterdam Medical Center	Chromatin Changes in Differentiation and Malignancies (TRR 81)	2010	www.uni-giessen.de/ cms/fbz/fb08/trr81
Greifswald Münster Tübingen Würzburg	Ernst-Moritz-Arndt Universität Greifswald Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität Münster Eberhard Karls Universität Tübingen Julius-Maximilians- Universität Würzburg	Pathophysiology of Staphylococci in the Post-Genome-Era (TRR 34)	2006	http://gepris.dfg.de Keyword: TRR34
Jena Würzburg	Friedrich-Schiller- Universität Jena Julius-Maximilians- Universität Würzburg	Pathogenic Fungi and their Human Host: Networks of Interaction – FungiNet – (TRR 124)	2013	www.funginet.de
Marburg Würzburg	Philipps-Universität Marburg Julius-Maximilians- Universität Würzburg	Ras-Dependent Pathways in Human Cancer (TRR 17)	2004	www.imt.uni-marburg. de/tr17

RESEARCH UNITS

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Research Units (FOR) often contribute to establishing new research directions. Research Units are made up of a team of researchers working together on a research project which is often of an interdisciplinary nature. Research Units consist of several researchers and subprojects. The subprojects of a Research Unit are often located at several locations throughout Germany. Research Units are generally funded for up to six years.

Research Units are not shown on the map. Only the titles of the thematic focus and the project websites are listed.



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Title	Funded Since	Contact
(Lymph)Angiogenesis and Cellular Immunity in Inflammatory Diseases of the Eye (FOR 2240)	2015	http://gepris.dfg.de Keyword: FOR 2240
Adaptation and Persistence of the Emerging Pathogen <i>Acinetobacter Baumannii</i> (FOR 2251)	2014	www.bio.uni-frankfurt.de/51172482 (DE)
Regeneration in Aged Individuals: Using Bone Healing as a Model System to Characterize Regeneration under Compromised Conditions (FOR 2165)	2014	http://gepris.dfg.de Keyword: FOR 2165
Elucidation of Adhesion-GPCR signaling (FOR 2149)	2014	www.adhesiongpcr.de/en_US
Selection and Adaptation during Metastatic Cancer Progression (FOR 2127)	2014	http://for2127.de (DE)
Biogenesis of Thylakoid Membranes: Spatiotemporal Organization of Photosynthetic Protein Complex Assembly (FOR 2092)	2014	www.uni-kl.de/for2092
New Insights into Bcl-2 Family Interactions: From Biophysics to Function (FOR 2036)	2014	http://bioinformatics.uni-konstanz.de/for2036
Sphingolipid Dynamics in Infection Control (FOR 2123)	2013	www.virologie.uni-wuerzburg.de/for2123
cGMP Signalling in Cell Growth and Survival (FOR 2060)	2013	www.cyclicgmp.de
Nanopatterned Organic Matrices in Biological Silica Mineralization (FOR 2038)	2013	www.nanomee.de
The Hematopoietic Niches (NicHem) (FOR 2033)	2013	www.for2033.med.tum.de
Mature T-Cell Lymphomas - Mechanisms of Perturbed Clonal T-Cell Homeostasis (FOR 1961)	2013	http://gepris.dfg.de Keyword: FOR 1961
Structure and Function of the Peroxisomal Translocon (PerTrans) (FOR 1905)	2013	www.pertrans.org
The Forgotten Part of Carbon Cycling: Organic Matter Storage and Turnover in Subsoils (SUBSOM) (FOR 1806)	2013	www.subsom.de
Ribosome Dynamics in Regulation of Speed and Accuracy of Translation (FOR 1805)	2012	www.uni-potsdam.de/for1805
Heme and Heme Degradation Products (HHDP): Alternative Functions and Signalling Mechanisms (FOR 1738)	2012	www.hhdp.uni-jena.de
Functional Dynamics of Cell Contacts in Cellular Assemblies and Migratory Cells (FOR 1756)	2011	http://for1756.uni-goettingen.de
Unravelling the Prokaryotic Immune System (FOR 1680)	2011	www.uni-ulm.de/nawi/nawi-for1680.html
SKELMET - Mesenchymal and Osteogenic Signalling Pathways in Malignant Bone Diseases (FOR 1586)	2011	www.skelmet.de

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Title	Funded Since	Contact
Shear Flow Regulation of Hemostasis - Bridging the Gap between Nanomechanics and Clinical Presentation (FOR 1543)	2011	www.shenc.de
INTERNANO: Mobility, Aging and Functioning of Engineered Inorganic Nanoparticles at the Aquatic-Terrestrial Interface (FOR 1536)	2011	www.uni-koblenz-landau.de/de/landau/fb7/umweltwissenschaften/forschung/internano
Anaerobic Biological Dehalogenation: Organisms, Biochemistry, and (Eco-)physiology (FOR 1530)	2010	www.uni-jena.de/en/FOR1530-EGOTEC-n40nafn4.html
Exploiting the Potential of Natural Compounds: Myxobacteria as Source for Leads, Tools and Therapeutics in Cancer Research (FOR 1406)	2010	www.for1406.uni-muenchen.de
Sulfated Steroids in Reproduction (FOR 1369)	2010	http://gepris.dfg.de Keyword: FOR 1369
Structure, Function and Regulation of the Myofibrillar Z-disc Interactome (FOR 1352)	2010	http://www3.uni-bonn.de/forschung/forschungsprofil/forschergruppen/for-1352
Determinants of Polarized Growth and Development in Filamentous Fungi (FOR 1334)	2010	www.for1334.kit.edu
Physiological Functions of the APP Gene Family in the Central Nervous System (FOR 1332)	2010	www.uni-heidelberg.de/app-function
Specific Light Driven Reactions in Unicellular Model Algae (FOR 1261)	2009	www.uni-jena.de/en/DFG_Research_Group_1261.html
Mechanisms of Persistence of Hepatotropic Viruses (FOR 1202)	2009	www.for1202.de
Photorespiration: Origins and Metabolic Integration in Interacting Compartments (FOR 1186)	2009	www.promics.uni-rostock.de
Nitrogen Uptake, Metabolism and Remobilization in Leaves during Plant Senescence (FOR 948)	2009	http://dfg-for948.ipk-gatersleben.de
Nanoparticle-Based Delivery of Innovative Therapies (NanoTarget) (FOR 917)	2009	www.pharmakologie.uni-bonn.de/Forschung/ag-pfeifer/for-917
Dynamic Storage Functions of Plant Vacuoles During Cold and Osmotic Stress (FOR 1061)	2007	www.uni-kl.de/for1061
Calcium Signalling via Protein Phosphorylation in Plant Model Cell Types during Environmental Stress Adaption (FOR 964)	2007	www.uni-muenster.de/FOR964
Post-Genomic Strategies for New Antibiotic Drugs and Targets (FOR 854)	2007	www3.uni-bonn.de/forschung/forschungsprofil/dfg-gefoiderte-projekte/for854



PRIORITY PROGRAMMES

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Priority Programmes (SPP) have a programmatic focus and have the purpose of advancing knowledge in an emerging field of research through collaborative networked support.

They are characterised by their enhanced quality of research through the use of new methods and forms of collaboration in emerging fields. One programme can consist of up to 30 individual researchers and subprojects located at several institutions across Germany; it usually has one coordinating person. Priority Programmes normally receive funding for a period of six years.

Priority Programmes are not shown on the map. Only the titles of the overall themes and the project website are listed.



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Title	Funded Since	Contact
Epithelial Intercellular Junctions as Dynamic Hubs to Integrate Forces, Signals and Cell Behaviour (SPP 1782)	2015	tba
Emerging Roles of Non-Coding RNAs in Nervous System Development, Plasticity and Disease (SPP 1738)	2014	http://gepris.dfg.de Keyword: SPP 1738
Dynamics of Thiol-Based Redox Switches in Cellular Physiology (SPP 1710)	2014	www.thiolswitches.de
Rapid Evolutionary Adaptation: Potential and Constraints (SPP 1819)	2013	https://dfg-spp1819.uni-hohenheim.de
Ecosystem Nutrition: Forest Strategies for Limited Phosphorus Resources (SPP 1685)	2013	www.bodenkunde.uni-freiburg.de/forschung/SPP1685 (DE)
Intestinal Microbiota - A Microbial Ecosystem at the Edge between Immune Homeostasis and Inflammation (SPP 1656)	2013	www.intestinal-microbiota.de
Ecology and Species Barriers in Emerging Viral Diseases (SPP 1596)	2013	www.spp1596.com
THYROID TRANS ACT - Translation of Thyroid Hormone Actions beyond Classical Concepts (SPP 1629)	2012	www.thyroidtransact.de
Chemoselective Reactions for the Synthesis and Application of Functional Proteins (SPP 1623)	2012	www.spp1623.de
Phenotypic Heterogeneity and Sociobiology of Bacterial Populations (SPP 1617)	2012	http://spp1617.tu-bs.de
Ultrafast and Temporally Precise Information Processing: Normal and Dysfunctional Hearing (SPP 1608)	2012	www.pp1608.com
Intracellular Compartments as Places of Pathogen-Host-Interactions (SPP 1580)	2011	www.spp1580.uni-bonn.de
Flowering Time Control: From Natural Variation to Crop Improvement (SPP 1530)	2011	www.flowercrop.uni-kiel.de/en
Evolutionary Plant Solutions to Ecological Challenges: Molecular Mechanisms Underlying Adaptive Traits in the Brassicaceae s.l. (Adaptomics) (SPP 1529)	2011	www.ruhr-uni-bochum.de/dfg-spp1529
Principles and Evolution of Actin-Nucleator Complexes (SPP 1464)	2010	www.actindynamics.org
Epigenetic Regulation of Normal Hematopoiesis and its Dysregulation in Myeloid Neoplasia (SPP 1463)	2010	www.myeloid-epigenetics.de
Mechanisms of Genome Haploidisation (SPP 1384)	2009	http://spp1384.tu-dresden.de
Biogeochemical Interfaces in Soil (FOR 1315)	2007	www.spp1315.uni-jena.de

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The Helmholtz Association contributes to solving major challenges facing society, science and industry with world-level research in six areas: energy, earth and environment, health, key technologies, structure of matter and aeronautics, space and transport. With more than 34,000 employees in 18 research centres and an annual budget of approximately 3.76 billion euros, the Helmholtz Association is Germany's largest scientific organisation. www.helmholtz.de

The Leibniz Association is an umbrella organisation of 89 research institutes. The annual budget amounts to 1.45 billion euros. Some 7,700 researchers – more than 1,100 of them from abroad – work on a widely diverse range of subjects, including the humanities and social sciences, economics, spatial and life sciences, mathematics, natural and engineering sciences and environmental research. www.leibniz-association.eu

The Max Planck Society for the Advancement of Science is one of Germany's largest independent non-profit research organisations. The Max Planck Society has been allocated just under 1.53 billion euros for 2013. A combined total of more than 10,000 researchers, postdoctoral/junior researchers and visiting researchers at 83 Max Planck Institutes conduct basic research in the natural sciences, life sciences, social sciences and humanities. One third of the researchers and more than half of the junior and visiting researchers come from abroad. www.mpg.de

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FRAUNHOFER INSTITUTES		
● Aachen Schmallenberg	Fraunhofer Institute for Molecular Biology and Applied Ecology (IME)	www.ime.fraunhofer.de/en
● Bremen	Fraunhofer Institute for Medical Image Computing (MEVIS)	www.mevis.fraunhofer.de/en
● Leipzig	Fraunhofer Institute for Cell Therapy and Immunology (IZI)	www.izi.fraunhofer.de
● Lübeck	Fraunhofer Research Institution for Marine Biotechnology (EMB)	www.emb.fraunhofer.de/en
● St. Ingbert	Fraunhofer Institute for Biomedical Engineering (IBMT)	www.ibmt.fraunhofer.de/en
● Stuttgart	Fraunhofer Institute for Interfacial Engineering and Biotechnology (IGB)	www.igb.fraunhofer.de/en
HELMHOLTZ CENTRES		
● Berlin-Buch	Max Delbrück Center for Molecular Medicine (MDC) Berlin-Buch	www.mdc-berlin.de
● Braunschweig	Helmholtz Centre for Infection Research	www.helmholtz-hzi.de/en
● Hamburg	Deutsches Elektronen-Synchrotron DESY	www.desy.de
● Heidelberg	German Cancer Research Centre (DKFZ)	www.dkfz.de
● Jülich	Forschungszentrum Jülich	www.fz-juelich.de
● Karlsruhe	Karlsruhe Institute of Technology (KIT)	www.kit.edu
● Munich	Helmholtz Zentrum München - German Research Center for Environmental Health	www.helmholtz-muenchen.de
● Teltow (Berlin)	Helmholtz-Zentrum Geesthacht – Centre for Materials and Coastal Research / Institute for Biomaterial Science in Teltow	www.hzg.de
LEIBNIZ INSTITUTES		
● Berlin	German Rheumatism Research Centre (DRFZ)	www.dr fz.de
● Berlin	Leibniz-Institute for Molecular Pharmacology (FMP)	www.fmp-berlin.de
● Berlin	Leibniz Institute for Zoo and Wildlife Research (IZW)	www.izw-berlin.de
● Borstel	Leibniz Center for Medicine and Biosciences (FZB)	www.fz-borstel.de
● Braunschweig	Leibniz Institute DSMZ – German Collection of Microorganisms and Cell Cultures	www.dsmz.de
● Düsseldorf	German Diabetes Center (DDZ)	http://ddz.uni-duesseldorf.de/en
● Düsseldorf	Leibniz Institute for Environmental Medicine (IUF)	www.iuf-duesseldorf.de
● Gatersleben	Leibniz Institute of Plant Genetics and Crop Plant Research (IPK)	www.ipk-gatersleben.de/en

NON-UNIVERSITY RESEARCH INSTITUTIONS

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● Halle/Saale	Leibniz Institute of Plant Biochemistry (IPB)	www.ipb-halle.de/en
● Hamburg	Bernhard-Nocht-Institute for Tropical Medicine (BNITM)	www.bnitm.de
● Hamburg	Leibniz Institute for Experimental Virology (HPI)	www.hpi-hamburg.de/en
● Jena	Leibniz Institute for Age Research (FLI)	www.fli-leibniz.de
● Jena	Leibniz-Institute for Natural Product Research and Infection Biology (HKI)	www.hki-jena.de
● Magdeburg	Leibniz-Institute for Neurobiology (LIN)	www.lin-magdeburg.de
● Potsdam	German Institute of Human Nutrition (DIFE)	www.dife.de

MAX-PLANCK-INSTITUTES

● Bad Nauheim	Max Planck Institute for Heart and Lung Research	www.mpi-hlr.de
● Berlin	Max Planck Institute for Infection Biology	www.mpiib-berlin.mpg.de/2285/en
● Berlin	Max Planck Institute for Molecular Genetics	www.molgen.mpg.de
● Cologne	Max Planck Institute for Biology and Ageing	www.age.mpg.de
● Cologne	Max Planck Institute for Plant Breeding Research	www.mpipz.mpg.de
● Dortmund	Max Planck Institute of Molecular Physiology	www.mpi-dortmund.mpg.de
● Dresden	Max Planck Institute of Molecular Cellbiology and Genetics	www.mpi-cbg.de
● Frankfurt/Main	Max Planck Institute of Biophysics	www.biophys.mpg.de
● Frankfurt/Main	Max Planck Institute for Brain Research	www.brain.mpg.de
● Freiburg	Max Planck Institute of Immunobiology and Epigenetics	www.ie-freiburg.mpg.de
● Göttingen	Max Planck Institute for Biophysical Chemistry	www.mpibpc.mpg.de
● Göttingen	Max Planck Institute for Experimental Medicine	www.em.mpg.de
● Heidelberg	Max Planck Institute for Medical Research	www.mpimf-heidelberg.mpg.de
● Jena	Max Planck Institute for Chemical Ecology	www.ice.mpg.de
● Marburg	Max Planck Institute for Terrestrial Microbiology	www.mpi-marburg.mpg.de
● Martinsried (Munich)	Max Planck Institute of Biochemistry	www.biochem.mpg.de
● Martinsried (Munich)	Max Planck Institute of Neurobiology	www.neuro.mpg.de
● Münster	Max Planck Institute for Molecular Biomedicine	www.mpi-muenster.mpg.de

NON-UNIVERSITY RESEARCH INSTITUTIONS

Location	Institution	Contact
● Potsdam - Golm	Max Planck Institute for Molecular Plant Physiology	www.mpimp-golm.mpg.de
● Tübingen	Friedrich Miescher Laboratory of the Max Planck Society	www.fml.tuebingen.mpg.de
● Tübingen	Max Planck Institute for Developmental Biology	www.eb.tuebingen.mpg.de
OTHERS		
● Heidelberg	European Molecular Biology Laboratory (EMBL) Heidelberg	www.embl.de



GERMAN CENTRES FOR HEALTH RESEARCH

The German Centres for Health Research – launched by the German Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBWF) in 2009 – were established as long-term, equal partnerships between non-university research institutions and universities with university hospitals. The key objectives of the federal government’s health research programme is to improve efforts to fight serious diseases that are widespread in the population more effectively.

The German Centres for Health Research shall bundle existing expertise and thus make a significant contribution to closing knowledge gaps and improving the prevention, diagnosis and treatment of these diseases. The research objective is the close collaboration of basic research with clinical research – always oriented on patient needs and indications. The close ties and the associated expansion of existing research structures will enable translational research and thus a faster transfer of research findings into clinical practice.

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GERMAN CENTRES FOR HEALTH RESEARCH

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German Centre for Cardiovascular Research (DZHK)	2011	http://dzhk.de/1
German Center for Infection Research (DZIF)	2011	www.dzif.de/en
German Consortium for Translational Cancer Research (DKTK)	2011	www.dkfz.de/en/dktk
The German Center for Lung Research (DZL)	2011	www.dzl.de/index.php/en
German Center for Diabetes Research (DZD)	2009	www.dzd-ev.de/en
German Center for Neurodegenerative Diseases (DZNE)	2009	www.dzne.de/en



GRADUATE TRAINING

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Graduate Schools (GSC) were established at universities in the framework of the German Excellence Initiative. Their objective is to provide training and qualification for outstanding doctoral students from Germany and abroad within an excellent research environment. They serve as an instrument of quality assurance in promoting early career researchers and offer large networks that cover wide areas of research.

Research Training Groups (RTG) combine an ambitious research programme at universities with comprehensive training, tailored supervision and academic freedom to form an ideal environment for a successful doctorate. Research Training Groups can also have an interdisciplinary approach. They are funded for a period of up to nine years.

International Research Training Groups (IRTG) provide opportunities for joint doctoral training programmes between German universities and universities abroad. The research and study programmes are jointly developed and supervised. Doctoral students in the programme spend six months at the partner institution.

Integrated Research Training Groups (within Clusters of Excellence or Collaborative Research Centres/Transregions) offer ideal research environments for doctoral researchers. The main aim of these structured training programmes is to provide young scientists and academics with opportunities to independently carry out research at an early stage of their career. The programmes further take care to closely integrate early career researchers into an academic network. Working in Clusters of Excellence or Collaborative Research Centres projects, doctoral researchers achieve additional qualifications. As research assistants in these projects, they contribute to the Research Centre's success. They are closely involved with the projects and have access to the entire project infrastructure.

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GRADUATE SCHOOLS				
 Berlin	Charité – Universitätsmedizin Berlin	Berlin-Brandenburg School for Regenerative Therapies (BSRT) (GSC 203)	2007	www.bsrt.de
 Dresden	Technische Universität Dresden	Dresden International Graduate School for Biomedicine and Bioengineering (DIGS-BB) (GSC 97)	2006	www.digs-bb.de
 Freiburg	Albert-Ludwigs-Universität Freiburg	Spemann Graduate School of Biology and Medicine (SGBM) (GSC 4)	2006	www.sgbm.uni-freiburg.de
 Göttingen	Georg-August-Universität Göttingen	Göttingen Graduate School for Neurosciences, Biophysics and Molecular Biosciences (GGNB) (GSC 226)	2007	www.uni-goettingen.de/en/sh/56640.html
 Heidelberg	Ruprecht-Karls-Universität Heidelberg	The Hartmut Hoffmann-Berling International Graduate School of Molecular and Cellular Biology Heidelberg (HBIGS) (GSC 249)	2007	www.hbigs.uni-heidelberg.de
 Jena	Friedrich-Schiller-Universität Jena	Jena School for Microbial Communication (JSMC) (GSC 214)	2007	www.jsmc.uni-jena.de
 Konstanz	Universität Konstanz	Konstanz Research School Chemical Biology (KoRS-CB) (GSC 218)	2007	www.chembiol.uni-konstanz.de
 Munich	Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München	Graduate School of Quantitative Biosciences Munich (QBM) (GSC 1006)	2012	www.qbm.genzentrum.lmu.de
 Ulm	Universität Ulm	International Graduate School in Molecular Medicine Ulm (IGradU) (GSC 270)	2007	www.uni-ulm.de/einrichtungen/mm
 Würzburg	Julius-Maximilians-Universität Würzburg	Graduate School for Life Sciences (GSLs) (GSC 106)	2006	www.graduateschools.uni-wuerzburg.de
RESEARCH TRAINING GROUPS				
 Berlin	Freie Universität Berlin	Parasite Infections: From Experimental Models to Natural Systems (RTG 2046)	2015	tba

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Location	Institution	Title	Funded Since	Contact
 Bonn	Rheinische Friedrich-Wilhelms-Universität Bonn	Pharmacology of 7TM-Receptors and Downstream Signaling Pathways (RTG 1873)	2012	www.grk1873.uni-bonn.de
 Erlangen	Friedrich-Alexander-Universität Erlangen-Nürnberg	Dynamic Interactions at Biological Membranes – From Single Molecules to Tissue (RTG 1962)	2014	www.biomembranes.org
 Erlangen	Friedrich-Alexander-Universität Erlangen-Nürnberg	Key Signals of Adaptive Immune Response (RTG 1660)	2010	www.lymphozyten.de (DE)
 Erlangen	Friedrich-Alexander-Universität Erlangen-Nürnberg	Medicinal Chemistry of Selective GPCR Ligands (RTG 1910)	2013	www.grk1910.de
 Essen	Universität Duisburg-Essen	Immune Response in Infectious Diseases – Regulation Between Innate and Adaptive Immunity (RTG 1949)	2014	www.uni-due.de/grk1949
 Freiburg	Albert-Ludwigs-Universität Freiburg	Functional Diversity of Cofactors in Enzymes (RTG 1976)	2014	www.cofactor-diversity.uni-freiburg.de/RTG/RTGstart
 Greifswald	Ernst-Moritz-Arndt Universität Greifswald	Bacterial Respiratory Infections – Common and Specific Mechanisms of Pathogen Adaptation and Immune Defense (RTG 1870)	2014	www.mnf.uni-greifswald.de/institute/fr-biologie/grk-1870-bacres.html
 Greifswald	Ernst-Moritz-Arndt Universität Greifswald	Biochemical, Biophysical and Biomedical Effects of Reactive Oxygen and Nitrogen Species on Biological Membranes (RTG 1947)	2014	www.physik.uni-greifswald.de/biox
 Halle/Saale	Martin-Luther-Universität Halle-Wittenberg	Posttranscriptional Control of Gene Expression: Mechanisms and Role in Pathogenesis (RTG 1591)	2010	www.intmeet.grk1591.de
 Hamburg	Universität Hamburg	Sorting and Interactions Between Proteins of Subcellular Compartments (RTG 1459)	2008	www.grk1459.de
 Heidelberg	Ruprecht-Karls-Universität Heidelberg	Diabetic Microvascular Complications (DIAMICOM) (RTG 1874)	2014	www.umm.uni-heidelberg.de/ag/grk1874

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 Jena	Friedrich-Schiller-Universität Jena	Molecular Signatures of Adaptive Stress Responses (RTG 1715)	2012	www.grk1715.uni-jena.de
 Karlsruhe	Karlsruher Institut für Technologie	Molecular Architectures for Fluorescent Cell Imaging (RTG 2039)	2015	www.grk2039.kit.edu
 Kassel	Universität Kassel	Regulation of Soil Organic Matter and Nutrient Turnover in Organic Agriculture (RTG 1397)	2007	www.uni-kassel.de/fb11agr/en/sections/environmental-chemistry/research-training-group-1397
 Lübeck	Universität zu Lübeck	Adipocyte - Brain - Crosstalk (RTG 1957)	2014	www.grk1957.uni-luebeck.de
 Munich	Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München	Integrated Analysis of Macromolecular Complexes and Hybrid Methods in Genome Biology (RTG 1721)	2012	www.grk1721.genzentrum.lmu.de
 Munich	Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München	Molecular Principles of Synthetic Biology (RTG 2062)	2015	www.mikrobiologie.biologie.uni-muenchen.de/personen/kjung/mitarb/hafner
 Munich	Technische Universität München	Interface Functions of the Intestine between Luminal Factors and Host Signals (RTG 1482)	2008	www.grk1482.de
 Oldenburg	Carl von Ossietzky Universität Oldenburg	Molecular Basis of Sensory Biology (RTG 1885)	2012	www.uni-oldenburg.de/en/sensorybio
 Tübingen	Eberhard Karls Universität Tübingen	Molecular Principles of Bacterial Survival Strategies (RTG 1708)	2012	www.uni-tuebingen.de/forschung/forschungsschwerpunkte/graduierntenkollegs/grk-molecular-principles-of-bacterial-survival-strategies
 Ulm	Universität Ulm	Cellular and Molecular Mechanisms in Aging (CEMMA) (RTG 1789)	2013	www.uni-ulm.de/med/med-cemma
 Würzburg	Julius-Maximilians-Universität Würzburg	Molecular and Functional Analysis of Lipid-based Signal Transduction Systems (RTG 1342)	2007	www.gk-1342.uni-wuerzburg.de

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Location	Institution	Title	Funded Since	Contact
INTERNATIONAL RESEARCH TRAINING GROUPS				
 Bielefeld Burnaby (Canada)	Universität Bielefeld Simon Fraser University	Computational Methods for the Analysis of the Diversity and Dynamics of Genomes (IRTG 1906)	2013	http://wiki.techfak.uni-bielefeld.de/did
 Berlin	Charité – Universitätsmedizin Berlin	International Research Training Group for Myology (IRTG 1631)	2010	www.myograd.org
Paris (France)	Université Pierre-et-Marie-Curie UPMC			
 Düsseldorf	Heinrich-Heine-Universität Düsseldorf	Intra- and Interorgan Communication of the Cardiovascular System (IRTG 1902)	2013	www.irtg1902.hhu.de
Charlottesville (USA)	University of Virginia			
 Düsseldorf	Heinrich-Heine-Universität Düsseldorf	The Dynamic Response of Plants to a Changing Environment (IRTG 1525)	2009	www.igrad-plant.hhu.de
East Lansing (USA)	Michigan State University			
 Gießen	Justus-Liebig-Universität Gießen	Molecular Pathogenesis of Male Reproductive Disorders (IRTG 1871)	2013	www.uni-giessen.de/cms/fbz/fb11/institute/anatomie/forschung/ag-reproduktion/irtg
Clayton (Australia)	Monash University			
 Göttingen	Georg-August-Universität Göttingen	Phosphorylation- and Redox-Mediated Signalling Mechanisms in the Failing Heart (IRTG 1816)	2013	www.grk1816.med.uni-goettingen.de
London (Great Britain)	King's College London			
 Kaiserslautern	Technische Universität Kaiserslautern	Complex Membrane Proteins in Cellular Development and Disease (IRTG 1830)	2012	www.irtg1830.com
Edmonton (Canada)	University of Alberta			
 Lübeck	Universität zu Lübeck	Immune Regulation of Inflammation in Allergy and Infection (IRTG 1911)	2013	www.irtg1911.uni-luebeck.de
Cincinnati (USA)	University of Cincinnati			
INTEGRATED RESEARCH TRAINING GROUPS IN CLUSTERS OF EXCELLENCE				
 Bonn	Rheinische Friedrich-Wilhelms-Universität Bonn	IITB - International Immunology Training Program Bonn within: ImmunoSensation: the Immune Sensory System (EXC 1023)	2012	www.immunosensation.de/graduate_program/graduate_program_overview.html

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 Cologne Düsseldorf	Universität zu Köln Heinrich-Heine Universität Düsseldorf	The CEPLAS Graduate School within: Cluster of Excellence on Plant Sciences - From Complex Traits Towards Synthetic Modules (CEPLAS) (EXC 1028)	2012	http://ceplas.eu/en/young-researchers/ceplas-graduate-school
 Cologne	Universität zu Köln	Cologne Graduate School of Ageing Research within: Cellular Stress Responses in Aging-Associated Diseases (CECAD) (EXC 229)	2007	www.ageing-grad-school.de
 Hannover	Gottfried Wilhelm Leibniz Universität Medizinische Hochschule Hannover	Integrated PhD Program "Regenerative Sciences" within REBIRTH – From Regenerative Biology to Reconstructive Therapy (EXC 62)	2006	www.rebirth-hannover.de/en/phd-program
 Münster	Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität Münster	Integrated Joint Graduate Program "CiM-IMPRS" within: Cells in Motion (CiM): Imaging to Understand Cellular Behaviour in Organisms (EXC 1003) in Cooperation with IMPRS - Molecular Biomedicine	2012	www.cim-imprs.de
 Munich	Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München Technische Universität München	Graduate School Life Science Munich (LSM) within: Center for Integrated Protein Science Munich (CIPSM) (EXC 114)	2006	www.lsm.bio.lmu.de
INTEGRATED RESEARCH TRAINING GROUPS IN COLLABORATIVE RESEARCH CENTRES				
 Berlin	Freie Universität Berlin	Integrated Research Training Group "Nanocarriers" within: Nanocarriers: Architecture, Transport, and Topical Application of Drugs for Therapeutic Use (CRC 1112)	2013	www.sfb1112.de/en/Graduiertenkolleg
 Berlin	Freie Universität Berlin	Integrated Graduate School within: Protonation Dynamics in Protein Function (CRC 1078)	2013	www.sfb1078.de/igk2

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 Berlin	Freie Universität Berlin	Integrated Research Training Group "Biocommunication: Mechanisms and Consequences of Information Storage and Retrieval in Plants and Microbes" within: Priming and Memory of Organismic Responses to Stress (CRC 973)	2012	www.sfb973.de/irtg
 Berlin	Freie Universität Berlin	Integrated Research Training Group within: Scaffolding of Membranes: Molecular Mechanisms and Cellular Functions (CRC 958)	2011	www.sfb958.de/graduierntenkolleg
 Berlin	Charité – Universitätsmedizin Berlin	Integrated Research Training Group "Suppression of Unwanted Immune reactions" within: Cellular Approaches for the Suppression of Unwanted Immune Reactions – From Bench to Bedside (CRC 650)	2004	www.sfb650.charite.de/en/integrated_research_training_group
 Bochum	Ruhr-Universität Bochum	Graduate School within: GTP- and ATP- dependent Membrane Processes (CRC 642)	2004	www.sfb642.rub.de/graduierntenkolleg
 Cologne	Universität zu Köln	Integrated Research Training Group within: Molecular Mechanisms Regulating Skin Homeostasis (CRC 829)	2009	www.sfb829.uni-koeln.de/integrated-research-training-group-molecular-mechanisms-regulating-skin-homeostasis
 Cologne	Universität zu Köln	Integrated Research Training Group within: Cell-autonomous Immunity (CRC 670)	2006	http://sfb670.uk-koeln.de/individual_projects
 Düsseldorf	Heinrich-Heine-Universität Düsseldorf	Integrated Research Training Group within: Liver Damage and Regeneration (CRC 974)	2012	www.uniklinik-duesseldorf.de/sfb-974
 Düsseldorf	Heinrich-Heine Universität Düsseldorf	Integrated Research Training Group within: Master Switches in Cardiac Ischemia (CRC 1116)	2015	www.sfb1116.hhu.de

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 Essen	Universität Duisburg-Essen	Integrated Graduate School within: Supramolecular Chemistry on Proteins (CRC 1093)	2014	www.uni-due.de/crc1093/en/graduate-school
 Erlangen	Friedrich-Alexander-Universität Erlangen-Nürnberg	Integrated Research Training Group "Erlangen School of Molecular Communication" within: Reprogramming of Host Cells by Microbial Effectors (CRC 796)	2009	www.sfb796-gk.forschung.uni-erlangen.de
 Frankfurt/Main	Johann Wolfgang Goethe-Universität Frankfurt am Main	Integrated Research Training Group within: Signalling by Fatty Acid Derivatives and Sphingolipids in Health and Disease (CRC 1039)	2013	www.lipidsignalling.de/en/kolleg
 Frankfurt/Main	Johann Wolfgang Goethe-Universität Frankfurt am Main	Integrated Research Training Group within: Molecular Principles of RNA-based Regulation (CRC 902)	2011	www.sfb902.de/integrated-research-training-group
 Frankfurt/Main	Johann Wolfgang Goethe-Universität Frankfurt am Main	Integrated Research Training Unit "Vascular Biology and Medicine" within: Endothelial Signalling and Vascular Repair (CRC 834)	2010	www.sfb834.de/SFBEN/Graduate
 Frankfurt/Main	Johann Wolfgang Goethe-Universität Frankfurt am Main	Integrated Research Training Group within: Redox-Regulation: Generatorsystems and Functional Consequences (CRC 815)	2009	www.redox-sfb.de/english/graduierntenkolleg/graduierntenkolleg.php
 Frankfurt/Main	Johann Wolfgang Goethe-Universität Frankfurt am Main	Integrated Research Training Group TRAM (TRANSPORT ACROSS MEMBRANES) within: Transport and Communication Across Biological Membranes (CRC 807)	2008	www.sfb807.de/mgk.html
 Freiburg	Albert-Ludwigs-Universität Freiburg	Integrated Research Training Group within: Medical Epigenetics (MEDEP) From Basic Mechanisms to Clinical Applications (CRC 992)	2012	www.sfb992.uni-freiburg.de/irtg

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Freiburg	Albert-Ludwigs-Universität Freiburg	Integrated Research Training Group within: Cell Motility in Morphogenesis, Cancer Invasion and Metastasis (CRC 850)	2010	www.sfb850.uni-freiburg.de/en/education/irtg-graduate-school
Hamburg	Universität Hamburg	Integrated Research Training Group within: Liver Inflammation: Infection, Immune Regulation and Consequences (CRC 841)	2010	http://sfb841.de/deutsch/graduierntenkolleg/beschreibung.html (DE)
Jena	Friedrich-Schiller-Universität Jena	Integrated Research Training Group within: AquaDiva: Understanding the Links between Surface and Subsurface Biogeosphere (CRC 1076)	2013	www.aquadiva.uni-jena.de/Graduate+school.html
Leipzig	Universität Leipzig	Integrated Research Training Group within: Obesity Mechanisms (CRC 1052)	2013	www.sfb1052.de/index.php/en/irtg-obesity-mechanisms
Kiel	Christian-Albrechts-Universität zu Kiel	Integrated Research Training Group Proteolysis and Pathophysiology within: Proteolysis as a Regulatory Event in Pathophysiology (CRC 877)	2010	www.uni-kiel.de/Biochemie/sfb877/irtg
Magdeburg	Otto-von-Guericke-Universität Magdeburg	Integrated Research Training Group within: Molecular Organization of Cellular Communication in the Immune System (CRC 854)	2014	www.sfb854.de/en/MGK854.html
Mainz	Johannes-Gutenberg-Universität Mainz	Graduate School within: Molecular and Cellular Mechanisms of Neural Homeostasis (CRC 1080)	2013	http://crc1080.com/graduate-school
Marburg	Philipps-Universität Marburg	Graduate School within: Microbial Diversity in Environmental Signal Response (CRC 987)	2012	www.sfb987.de/index.php/homepage/graduate-school.html
Munich	Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München	Integrated Research Training Group within: Atherosclerosis: Mechanisms and Networks of Novel Therapeutic Targets (CRC 1123)	2014	www.sfb1123.med.uni-muenchen.de

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Munich	Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München	Integrated Research Training Group within: Chromatin Dynamics (CRC 1064)	2013	www.sfb1064.med.uni-muenchen.de/irtg
Munich	Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München	Graduate Program within: Control and Plasticity of Cell-Fate Decisions in the Immune System (CRC 1054)	2013	www.sfb1054.med.uni-muenchen.de/graduate_program
Munich	Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München	Graduate Program within: Trafficking of Immune Cells in Inflammation, Development and Disease (CRC 914)	2011	www.sfb914.med.uni-muenchen.de/graduate_program
Osnabrück	Universität Osnabrück	Integrated Research Training Group within: Physiology and Dynamics of Cellular Microcompartments (CRC 944)	2011	www.biologie.uni-osnabrueck.de/forschung/sfb_944/sfb_944_home/irtg.html
Regensburg	Universität Regensburg	Graduate Research Academy RNA Biology within: Ribosome Formation: Principles of RNP Biogenesis and Control of their Function (CRC 960)	2011	http://graduate-academy.sfb960.de
INTEGRATED RESEARCH TRAINING GROUPS IN COLLABORATIVE RESEARCH CENTRES/TRANSREGIOS				
Berlin	Charité – Universitätsmedizin Berlin	Integrated Research Training Group “B Cells and Beyond” within: B Cells: Immunity and Autoimmunity (TRR 130)	2013	www.trr130.forschung.uni-erlangen.de/index.php/en/research-training-group.html
Erlangen	Friedrich-Alexander-Universität Erlangen-Nürnberg			
Freiburg	Albert-Ludwigs-Universität Freiburg			
Braunschweig	Technische Universität Braunschweig	Integrated Research Training Group “Von der Mikrobiellen Ökologie zur Systembiologie” within: Ecology, Physiology and Molecular Biology of the Roseobacter Clade: Towards a Systems Biology Understanding of a Globally Important Clade of Marine Bacteria (TRR 51)	2010	www.roseobacter.de/structuredphdprogramme
Oldenburg	Carl von Ossietzky Universität Oldenburg			

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 Frankfurt/ Main Heidelberg	Johann Wolfgang Goethe-Universität Frankfurt am Main Ruprecht-Karls- Universität Heidelberg	Integrated Research Training Group “Vascular Cell Biology” within: Vascular Differentiation and Remodeling (TRR 23)	2009	www.transregio23. de/Projects/ graduates.html
 Gießen Marburg Rotterdam (Nether- lands)	Justus-Liebig- Universität Gießen Philipps-Universität Marburg Erasmus University Rotterdam Medical Center	Integrated Research Training Group „Epigenetics and Chromatin” within: Chromatin Changes in Differentiation and Malignancies (TRR 81)	2010	www.uni-giessen. de/cms/fbz/fb08/ trr81/irtg



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- AT NON-UNIVERSITY RESEARCH INSTITUTIONS -

Helmholtz Graduate Schools provide a roof under which a varied number of curricula in different fields, or across disciplines, can find a home. Helmholtz Graduate Schools constitute a valuable addition to the wide range of training programmes available within the Helmholtz Association. They offer optimal conditions for PhD students to work and enable them to create a network of contacts with fellow university researchers while also fostering the integration of participants into the research environment.

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HELMHOLTZ GRADUATE SCHOOLS		
○ Berlin-Buch	Helmholtz Graduate School "Molecular Cell Biology"	www.mdc-berlin.de
○ Teltow (Berlin)	Helmholtz Graduate School for Macromolecular Bioscience	http://macrobio.hzg.de
○ Braunschweig	The Helmholtz Graduate School for Infection Research (HZI Graduate School)	www.helmholtz-hzi.de/en/career/graduate_school
○ Hamburg	Partnership for Innovation, Education and Research Helmholtz Graduate School (PIER)	http://graduateschool.pier-campus.de/
○ Heidelberg	Helmholtz International Graduate School for Cancer Research	www.dkfz.de/en/phd-program
○ Karlsruhe	BioInterfaces International Graduate School (BIF-IGS)	www.bif-igs.kit.edu
○ Munich	Helmholtz Graduate School Environmental Health - HELENA	www.helmholtz-helena.de
LEIBNIZ GRADUATE SCHOOLS		
○ Berlin	Leibniz Graduate School for Molecular Biophysics (FMP)	www.fmp-berlin.de
○ Berlin	Leibniz Graduate School for Rheumatology (LGRh)	www.drfz.de/drfz-im-profil/lehre-und-ausbildung/lgrh
○ Gatersleben	Leibniz Graduate School for Yield Formation in Cereals	www.ipk-gatersleben.de/ipk-graduate-program/leibniz-graduierenschule
○ Hamburg	Leibniz Graduate School at the Leibniz Centre Infection (LCI) - (BNITM HPI, FZB)	www.lci-infection.de/lci-graduate-school.html
○ Jena	Leibniz Graduate School on Ageing and Age-Related Diseases (LGSA)	www.fli-leibniz.de/phd
○ Jena	International Leibniz Research School for Microbial and Biomolecular Interactions	www.ilrs.hki-jena.de
INTERNATIONAL MAX PLANCK RESEARCH SCHOOLS (IMPRS)		
○ Bad Nauheim	IMPRS for Heart and Lung Research	http://imprs.mpi-hlr.de
○ Berlin	IMPRS for Computational Biology and Scientific Computing	www.molgen.mpg.de/IMPRS
○ Berlin	IMPRS for Infectious Diseases and Immunology	www.mpiib-berlin.mpg.de/graduate_program
○ Cologne	IMPRS AGE	www.ageing-grad-school.de
○ Cologne	IMPRS on Understanding Complex Plant Traits Using Computational and Evolutionary Approaches	www.mpipz.mpg.de/imprs

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○ Dortmund	IMPRS for Chemical Biology	www.imprs-cmb.mpg.de
○ Dresden	IMPRS for Cell, Developmental and Systems Biology	www.imprs-celldevosys.de
○ Frankfurt/Main	IMPRS for Neural Circuits	http://brain.mpg.de/graduate-studies.html
○ Frankfurt/Main	IMPRS on Structure and Function of Biological Membranes	www.biophys.mpg.de/de/imprs.html
○ Freiburg	IMPRS for Molecular and Cellular Life Sciences: From Biology to Medicine	www.imprs-ls.de
○ Göttingen	IMPRS for Molecular Biology	www.gpmolbio.uni-goettingen.de
○ Jena	IMPRS Exploration of Ecological Interactions with Molecular and Chemical Techniques	http://imprs.ice.mpg.de/ext
○ Marburg	IMPRS for Environmental, Cellular and Molecular Microbiology	www.imprs-microbiology.mpg.de
○ Martinsried (Munich)	IMPRS for Molecular and Cellular Life Sciences	www.imprs-ls.de
○ Münster	IMPRS - Molecular Biomedicine <i>in Cooperation with the Integrated Graduate Program of the Cluster of Excellence Cells in Motion (CiM)</i>	www.imprs-mbm-cedad.mpg.de
○ Potsdam - Golm	IMPRS "Primary Metabolism and Plant Growth"	www.mpimp-golm.mpg.de/IMPRS-PhD
○ Tübingen	IMPRS From Molecules to Organisms	www.imprs.tuebingen.mpg.de



SOCIETIES AND ASSOCIATIONS

IN GERMANY:

Arbeitsgemeinschaft Elektrochemischer Forschungsinstitutionen (IVAM): www.ivam.de

Association for General and Applied Microbiology (VAAM): www.vaam.de

German Bunsen Society for Physical Chemistry (DBG): www.bunsen.de

German Catalysis Society (GeCatS): www.gecats.de

German Chemical Society (GDCh): www.gdch.de

German Society for Hygiene and Microbiology (DGHM): www.dghm.org

German Society for Parasitology (DGP): www.dgparasitologie.de

Society for Biochemistry and Molecular Biology (GBM): www.gbm-online.de/gbm.html

Society for Chemical Engineering and Biotechnology (DECHEMA): www.dechema.de

The Colloid Society: www.kolloid-gesellschaft.de

Verband der Chemischen Industrie e.V. (VCI): www.vci.de

OPEN POSITIONS:

Research in Germany: Provides a list of job portals that specialize in academic and research-related posts. www.research-in-germany.org/jobs

Helmholtz Association: www.helmholtz.de/en/jobs_talents

Max Planck Society: www.mpg.de/jobboard

Leibniz Society: www.leibniz-gemeinschaft.de/karriere (in German only)

Fraunhofer Society – Application-oriented research: www.fraunhofer.de/en/jobs-career



German Project Information System (GEPRIS): Online database providing information about all current DFG-funded research projects and contact information for the Principal Investigators. <http://gepris.dfg.de>



The Research Explorer: Information on more than 19 000 institutes at German universities and non-university research institutions, searchable by geographic location, subject and other structural criteria. <http://research-explorer.dfg.de>



Website of the DFG: Further background information about DFG funding programmes, funding guidelines, and lists of currently DFG-funded activities. www.dfg.de



The German Rectors' Conference (HRK) Research Map: Information about 329 main areas that define the interdisciplinary research priorities at 74 German universities. www.hrk.de/6754.php



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