Dutch Kidney Foundation

Project Funding Model

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Aim

Establishing an uncomplicated model for the calculation of project budgets for research projects and practice projects funded by the Dutch Kidney Foundation (DKF).

Description

- The DKF Project Funding Model (PFM) determines the budgets of all subsidy projects and applications for project subsidy for research and innovation.
- The PFM awards standard personnel years in different categories: PhD Researcher, Junior Researcher, Senior Researcher and Non-Scientific Research Personnel (NSRP) at either MBO, HBO and WO level. One standard personnel year contains exactly 1.0 fte for the relevant position.
- A PFM standard personnel year is all-in. For the categories PhD Researcher, Junior Researcher and Senior Researcher in addition to salary of the researcher concerned, additional expenses for consumables including laboratory animals, equipment, patient participation, open access publishing and congress participation are also included.
- Personnel that is involved in the project for less than 0.2 fte (on a yearly basis) cannot be funded. An exception is the project leader, who can be funded for less than 0.2 fte on a yearly basis.
- A DKF Program or Call for proposals can set special conditions for proposal budgets (eg. a maximum budget for projects).
- A research project proposal may apply for any mixture of standard personnel years within the limits posed by the conditions of the relevant DKF Program or DKF Call for proposals.
- The PFM standard personnel year budgets and a description of the categories can be found below.

Position	Max. lump sum subsidy per fte
PhD Researcher (PhD student)	€ 85.000
Junior Researcher (eg. junior postdoc, physician-researcher)	€ 95.000
Senior Researcher (eg. senior postdoc, senior physician-researcher)	€ 115.000
Non-Scientific Research Personnel (NSRP) - MBO	€ 60.000
Non-Scientific Research Personnel (NSRP) - HBO	€ 70.000
Non-Scientific Research Personnel (NSRP) - WO	€ 95.000

<u>Clarification:</u> NSRP includes for example a project assistant, secretarial assistant, research analyst, biotechnician, data manager, therapist, laboratory technician, dietician, (research) nurse, social worker, psychologist. Depending on the job level, a choice can be made from MBO (secondary vocational education), HBO (higher professional education) or WO (university education).

Conditions

- The DKF's General Grant Requirements (Subsidievoorwaarden) apply. Payments are according to the Requirements.
- The proposed project budget is proportional to the expected actual project costs.
- DKF-budget within a project shall be spent directly and unequivocally on the project.
- The project's final financial report will specify spent budget. Remaining DKF-budget will be refunded to the DKF.