

MERCK LIFE SCIENCE GRANT → FOR AU STUDENTS

Merck's ambition is to support life science innovation, driving development of new solutions by early life science start-ups, for the benefit of people and society.

Life science covers pharmaceuticals, biotechnology-based food & medicines, medical devices, biomedical technologies, cosmeceuticals, nutraceuticals, food processing and digital solutions to the healthcare industry.

There are two grants of DKK 25,000 each.

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Who can apply and how to do it?

The Merck Life Science Grant is for students and PhDs at Aarhus University (the founder team must consist of minimum one student from Aarhus University).

The purpose of the Merck Life Science Grant is to support development of student-owned, life science business ideas with first prototyping, market exploration and de-risking a project.

Please note that it is not a requirement to have founded a company (CVR number). Merck Life Science Grant is for early-stage business ideas, that have not yet generated a revenue or obtained major external funding (+100,000 DKK).

The Merck grant can cover materials, external consulting, reports/knowledge, market testing and product validation, development and test of prototype, travel expenses, salary for employees etc. The grant cannot be used for support of research projects.

The jury will consider following subjects that must be answered in a written application:

- Description of the project (the technology / concept and the business' value proposition)
- Short description of market potential or societal benefit
- Team behind the project
- Project budget and a description of how you will use the grant

The jury will also consider to what extent the grant can make a difference to the project/business.

Application and deadlines

Deadline is October 24th, 2022, 14:00 PM (Danish time).

A panel will evaluate and rate the applications after deadline. Within three weeks after deadline, the applicants will be informed of the grant decisions. Up to two projects will receive the Merck grant on November 24, 2022, at a ceremony held at The Kitchen, Universitetsbyen 14, 8000 Aarhus C. Therefore, you must be able to attend the ceremony on this date.

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