This Vienna Research Groups for Young Investigators call is issued for two to three positions as part of WWTF’s Life Sciences programme.

- It addresses Vienna-based research institutions that intend to hire an excellent young researcher from abroad for the set-up and management of an independent research group. Active recruitment procedures are mandatory.

- Proposals must address substantial state-of-the-art scientific research questions in the field of Life Sciences.

- WWTF encourages Vienna-based research institutions to propose women who show potential to act as group leaders.

- WWTF takes unconventional research careers into consideration.

- WWTF in total grants 2–3 positions and up to € 1.6 Mio. per research group for 6 to 8 years.

Please submit proposals by 2 pm, July 24, 2014. All interested parties are cordially invited to an open Proposers’ Day on March 24, 2014, 2–4pm, at WWTF, Schlickgasse 3/8, 1090 Wien. Detailed information is available online at www.wwtf.at
The fifth call of the Vienna Research Groups programme encourages scientific research on the topic of “Life Sciences”. The call addresses universities and research institutions in Vienna.

Main characteristics of a Vienna Research Group:

- A Vienna Research Group is typically the first "genuine" group led by a young researcher who undertakes leadership responsibility for several group members. It enables the group members to take the next step in their careers.
- Vienna Research Group leaders are usually two to eight years after PhD; care duties may extend this period by up to four years.
- Vienna Research Group leaders are independent in designing their research work and recruiting their staff.
- The prospective host institution in Vienna provides a clear-cut career plan.
- Particularly in the second phase (i.e. years 6, 6–7 or 6–8) the home institution supports the Vienna Research Group by way of increased contributions (in addition to the WWTF funding).

Important facts about the call:

- The call process comprises the submission of a concise proposal and a hearing of selected candidates. Note that this call uses a single stage procedure.
- A job announcement—e.g. in a high impact journal that is relevant for the topic and via professional societies/mailing lists—is obligatory.
- The successful appointment of a woman will be rewarded with a financial benefit for the Vienna host institution in order to support their gender mainstreaming activities. WWTF also offers support in dual career advice.

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For more details kindly refer to “WWTF Funding Guidelines for the Vienna Research Groups Programme” and to the “Guide for Writing a Proposal for the Vienna Research Groups Programme”, both available online at www.wwtf.at.

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