

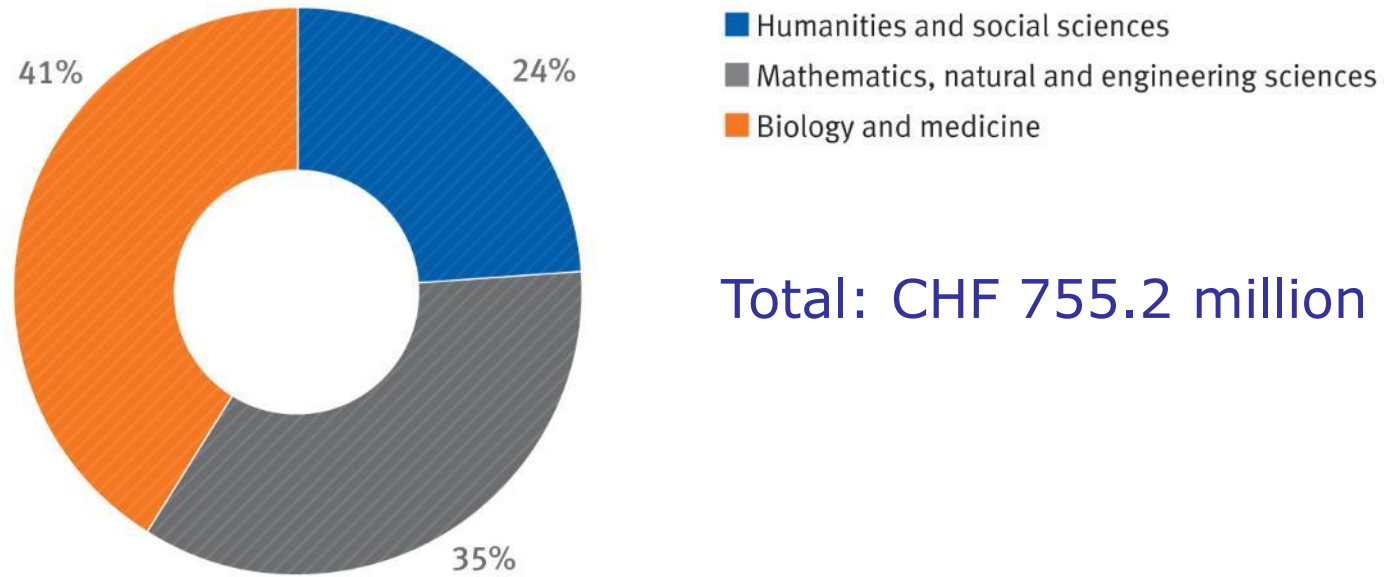


Swiss National Science Foundation Funding Opportunities



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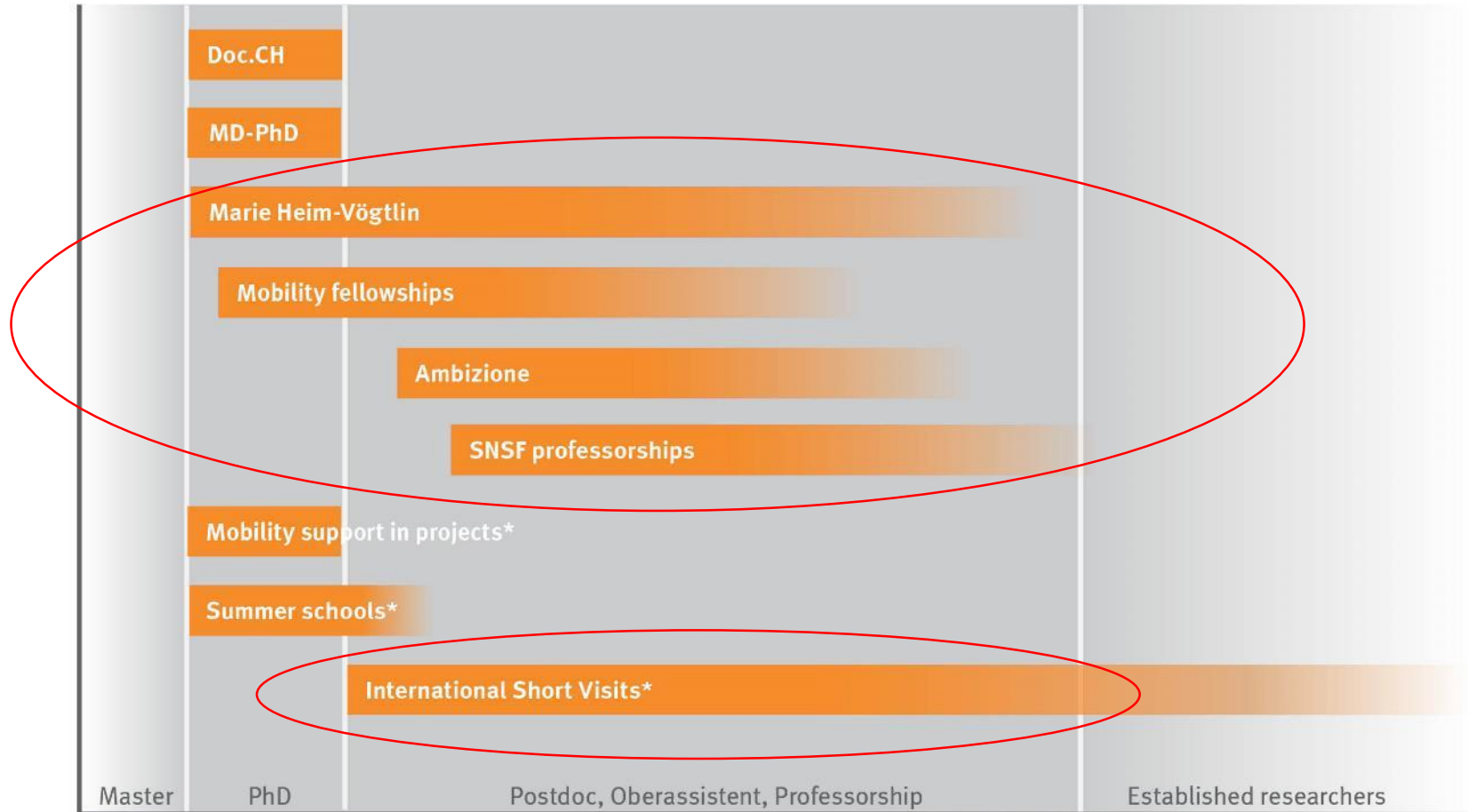
Funding (general) by research area 2012



Total: CHF 755.2 million

Projects funded by SNSF	3'500
Persons supported by SNSF	8'750
• younger than 35 years	77 %
• women	49 %

Career funding



* Career promotion measures

Marie Heim-Vögtlin



Aim

Re-integrate and avoid drop out of qualified **female researchers** with a delay or interruption in their scientific career due to their familial situation (child care or professional career of their partner)

Flexible conditions (part-time work possible, at least 50%) to conciliate research and family

Marie Heim-Vögtlin

Requirements

- Interrupted or reduced research activities due to family commitments
- Excellent scientific qualifications
- Doctoral students: degree (master or equivalent) and matriculation at a Swiss higher education institution
- Postdocs: doctorate
- Confirmation from host institution (support during and after the MHV grant)

Duration

- 2 years (extension by a maximum of 1 year possible)

Marie Heim-Vögtlin

Grant

- Own salary
- Contribution to research costs (max. CHF 12'000 p.a.)
- Travel and conference costs
- Child care (max. CHF 12'000 p.a. & per child)

Submission deadline: 2 August 2014

Evaluation

- 2 phases, second phase with interviews

Number of grants and success rate

- Approx. 35 grants p.a.
- 2013: 22%

Mobility fellowships



Aims

The SNSF mobility fellowships are designed for young researchers who wish to enhance their scientific profile by working at a research institution abroad (outside Switzerland)

Early Postdoc.Mobility: postdocs at the beginning of their career

Advanced Postdoc.Mobility: experienced postdocs; option for a return grant to come back to Switzerland after the fellowship



Early Postdoc.Mobility

Requirements

- Doctorate (PhD) obtained no more than 2 years ago; exceptions are possible in justified cases, e.g. family care duties
- Swiss nationality or valid permit for Switzerland, or marriage resp. registered partnership with a Swiss national
- For persons with foreign nationality, at least 3 years of activity at a Swiss research institution

Duration

- 18 months (12 months possible if justified)

Submission deadlines

- **1 March and 1 September**

Advanced Postdoc.Mobility

Requirements

- Doctorate (PhD) and research experience of at least 1 year at postdoctoral level
- Submission up to 5 years (benchmark) after the doctoral exam
- Swiss nationality or valid permit for Switzerland, or marriage resp. registered partnership with a Swiss national
- For persons with foreign nationality, at least 3 years of activity at a Swiss research institution

Duration

- Fellowship outside Switzerland: 12 – 36 months
- Return phase in Switzerland: 3 – 12 months

Submission deadlines

- **1 February and 1 August**

Early and Advanced Postdoc.Mobility

Fellowship (research stay outside Switzerland)

- Basic amount (depending on host country and marital status)
- Child allowance (CHF 9000 p.a.)
- Travel allowance (outward and return journey)
- Registration fees (if justified)
- Congress costs (max. CHF 2000 p.a.)
- Research costs (only exceptionally, max. CHF 3000 p.a.)

Return grant (Advanced Postdoc.Mobility only)

- Salary with social security contributions

Number of grants and success rates

- Approx. 350 EPM grants and 150 APM grants
- Success rates: 59% for EPM and 47% for APM

Ambizione



Aim

Create conditions for starting an independent career in Switzerland

Ambizione

Requirements

- Doctorate
- Publications at a high level
- At the time of the submission deadline:
 - Postdoctoral research activities of at least 12 months at a university different from that of the dissertation
 - Submission up to 5 years (benchmark) after doctorate/PhD (date of the exam)
- Confirmation from host institute
 - Integration, workplace, access to infrastructure
 - Scientific independence of the applicant
 - Adequate support in the funding of research expenses (e.g. material, equipment, personnel, travel, etc.)

Duration

- 3 years (Follow-up grants are generally not approved)

Ambizione

Grant

- Own salary (research associate level)
- Project funding (equipment, consumables, travel, etc.)
- Personnel (usually supporting staff, possibly technical personnel, postdoc)
- Candidates with sufficient experience may apply for a PhD student
- Max. CHF 600'000 for 3 years

Submission deadline: 13 February 2015

Evaluation

- 2 phases, second phase with interviews

Number of grants and success rate

- Approx. 50 grants per annum
- 2013: 20%

SNSF professorships



Aim

Enable junior researchers with several years of recognised research experience to establish an independent research team



SNSF professorships

Requirements

- Doctorate
- Excellent track record
- Two to nine years research experience after the doctorate
- Research stay of several years at a research institution different from where the doctorate was obtained and at least one year abroad
- Degree from a institution of higher education in Switzerland or at least two years' activity at a Swiss higher education institution by the submission deadline



SNSF professorships

Duration

- 4 years (follow-up for a maximum of 2 years possible)

Grant

- Own salary (assistant professor level)
- Research allowance for a team and equipment
- Contribution to the infrastructure of the host institution
- Max. CHF 1'600'000 for 4 years

Submission deadline: 1 May 2014

Evaluation

- 2 phases, second phase with interviews

Number of grants and success rate

- Approx. 40 grants per annum, success rate: 15%

International short visits



Aim

- Allow researchers working in Switzerland to go abroad or researchers from elsewhere to come to Switzerland
- Exchange of knowledge that is beneficial to both institutions
- Initiation or consolidation of a continued collaboration between both institutes



International short visits

Requirements

- Visiting fellow must hold a PhD degree and must be employed as a researcher in his/her country of origin before, during, and after the visit
- No geographical limitations: Swiss researchers can go to any other country or researchers from any country can come to Switzerland.

Duration

- 1 week to 3 months

Grant

- Travel and accomodation costs

Further Information



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