

Call for Application

2024 Bayer Investigator Award

Collaborate to Cure Hub China Bayer Pharmaceuticals

拜耳处方药中国合作创新中心

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About Bayer Investigator Award

Bayer Investigator Award is presented annually to Tsinghua University Investigators in recognition of their scientific excellence in the research field relevant to Bayer Pharma R&D. Selected Bayer Investigators will get the following supports:

- # Grant of CNY 150,000 for each selected Bayer Investigator
- # Get connected for potential research collaboration discussion

Who May Apply?

Eligibility criteria of the Bayer Investigators are:

- // Full-time employees of THU at the time of applying and receiving the award
- Working in the School of Life Sciences, Tsinghua Medicine, School of Pharmaceutical Sciences or Department of Chemistry of Tsinghua
- // Independent of having a project with Bayer or not
- // Must not be healthcare professionals, or employed by a hospital due to international compliance requirements
- // Members of the Joint Steering Committee (JSC) may not apply for the award
- # Have not been selected as Bayer Investigator in the previous 36 months





Selection



Considerations

- Research excellence, e.g.

 publication records over the past five years (2019 2024)
- Research relevance to Bayer's areas of interest

Decision

Selection will be conducted by the Joint Steering Committee (JSC) from both Bayer and Tsinghua University



Therapeutic areas in Precision Oncology (e.g. Precision molecular oncology, Targeted Radiotherapies, Next-gen Immuno-Oncology, ADCs), Precision cardiorenal diseases (e.g. Heart Failure, Dilated Cardiomyopathy, Hypertrophic Cardiomyopathy, Chronic Kidney Disease, Autosomal Dominant Kidney Disease, Lupus Nephritis), Neurology & Rare diseases enabled by cell and gene therapy, and Immunology & Inflammation (e.g. SLE, IBD).



Novel technologies / platforms that enable target identification/entry into druggability, specifically:

- Interactome analysis, methods for identification of new allosteric pockets and binders, multi-omics techniques, structural biology and biophysical methods (e.g. X-Ray, cryo-EM, AS MS, NMR, etc.), bioinformatics
- Acceleration of learning cycles: Organ on drug to accelerate insights generation for new targets and cps, Prediction/ data science aspects specifically for acceleration of learning cycles



Therapeutic modalities

- Peptide binders, protein degraders, molecular glue, modalities derived from conjugation platforms (antibody, peptide, glyco, radio labelling), SMOL RNA binders, Antisense and siRNA therapeutics
- 🚹 Targeted drug delivery: e.g. organ specific LNPs, etc.



Application Process



- 1 Fill out the Application Form, which includes:
 - // A short description of research interests and achievements
 - // A list of relevant publications, and publications aligned with Bayer's areas of interest (if any)
 - Curriculum Vitae
- 2 Submit your application to Bayer and THU Alliance Managers:

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- 3 Application deadline is Jan 27th, 2025.
- 4 Decision letters will be sent out in February 2025





Thank you!