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**Country: Netherlands**

**Organisation: ZonMw**

This document contains **information on specific requirements** for researchers applying for funding by the funding organisation indicated above. To make sure that your application is fully in line with the specific requirements and to receive latest information, please contact the respective **national contact person**. Not fulfilling the requirements may lead to ineligibility of the application.

**Contact**

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**Eligibility**

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| **Eligible Institutions** | Research organisations and University Medical Centres that meet the criteria of ‘research and knowledge dissemination organisation’ (hereinafter referred to as ‘research organisation’) in accordance with the [Framework for State Aid for Research and Development and Innovation (2014/C 198/03).](https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:52014XC0627(01)&qid=1541599764004&from=EN)  Aid intensity for Dutch research organisations can be up to 100%.  Undertakings[[1]](#footnote-1) may also be eligible.  Funding rates for undertakings vary based on types of research and types of enterprises.  Aid intensity is maximised to 100% of eligible costs for fundamental research, 50% of eligible costs for industrial research and 25% of eligible costs for experimental development; but can in certain cases be increased for industrial research or experimental development up to a maximum of 80%.  See for more information: <https://europadecentraal.nl/onderwerp/staatssteun/vrijstellingen/algemene-groepsvrijstellingsverordening/>  Aid to undertakings is state aid and will be granted under the [General Block Exemption Regulation: EC REGULATION No 651/2014](https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:32014R0651&from=EN) (hereinafter referred to as ‘GBER’), by which grants allocated under this call for grant applications are designated as a permissible form of state aid. This means that there are conditions for funding and rules for budgets (as indicated above). In addition, applicants are required to make declarations about certain data sections. Article 25 and all other relevant conditions of the GBER apply, including but not limited to:   * Article 6: the work on the aided project or activity starts only after the beneficiary has submitted a written application for the aid; * Article 8: cumulation of grants (or other types of state aid) for the same eligible costs (entirely the same or partly overlapping) must not result in exceeding the maximum intensity of the support. * Article 1.4: no outstanding recovery order following a previous Commission decision, no aid to undertakings in difficulty. * Article 1.5: not award any grant funding if it is not sufficiently plausible that the application will fit all the definitions or meet all the conditions of the GBER, or if in the opinion of ZonMw awarding the grant would lead to awarding state aid unlawfully within the meaning of Article 107 of the Treaty on the Working of the European Union.   Undertakings will be required to confirm such conditions for which ZonMw will send the necessary forms.  Please contact for details the national contact person. |
| **Additional requirements** | ZonMw reserves the right, when awarding the grant, to request a final draft (approved by the partners, but not yet signed) of the consortium agreement and/or sponsor agreement to assess it for compliance with the European law on state aid and [ZonMw’s general grant terms and conditions](https://www.zonmw.nl/fileadmin/zonmw/documenten/Corporate/Engelse_website/Grant_Terms_and_Conditions_from_1st_July_2013.pdf).  For further information on the consortium agreement and sponsor agreement please check the [ZonMw website](https://www.zonmw.nl/en/research-and-results/co-financing/).  In addition to the application submission to the Joint Programme Neurodegenerative Disease Research (JPND), Dutch consortium members applying for and being awarded funding from the Netherlands must complete an abbreviated ZonMw application and submit it in accordance with the guidelines using ZonMw’s online application system.  Alzheimer Nederland will co-finance the granted projects. Only research applications focused on dementia will be eligible for funding by Alzheimer Nederland. |

**Budget**

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| **Total earmarked national budget** | 1.800.000 € [[2]](#footnote-2) |
| **Anticipated no. of funded groups** | 5 - 6 |
| **Budget restrictions** | ZonMw has a maximum funding per project for this call: each project can request **maximum 300.000 €.** |
| **Eligible costs** | The eligible costs of research and development projects executed by:  - undertakings shall be in accordance with the [General Block Exemption Regulation: EC REGULATION No 651/2014, section 4, article 25.3](https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:32014R0651&from=EN)  - research organisation as outlined in [ZonMw General Grant Conditions](https://www.zonmw.nl/en/news-and-funding/funding/grant-conditions-and-finances/) |

1. A company or business as defined under EU state aid legislation means any entity that performs economic activities, regardless of its legal form or means of financing. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. ZonMw contribution is 1.500.000 €

   Alzheimer Nederland contribution is 300.000 € [↑](#footnote-ref-2)