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The Czech Science Foundation has allocated funds for the best basic research projects for almost 30 years. It is a stable source of funding for science in the Czech Republic.

**20,000**

projects funded



The Czech Science Foundation has funded nearly 20,000 projects - the majority of Czech scientists have benefited from its financial support during their careers. Many of them have already received funding from the Czech Science Foundation during their studies, as project team members.

**CZK 4.7 bil.**  
in 2022

The Czech Science Foundation's budget accounts for approximately 12% of the national budget for research, development and innovation.



**the amount of funds for international cooperation**

The Czech Science Foundation is significantly expanding its international cooperation - publishing joint calls for proposals with grant agencies from 4 continents, including US agency NSF. The Czech Science Foundation will also expand European cooperation through Weave by 2025. Compared to 2018, funding for international collaboration has tripled.

**2022**

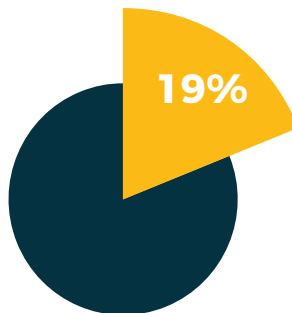
**2,113**  
projects carried out

Scientific projects funded by the Czech Science Foundation are usually three- or five-year projects. If necessary, they are extended, for example due to parental and maternity leave.



**7 types of grant tenders**

The Czech Science Foundation offers a scheme that fits the needs of scientists at every stage of their career. Early-career scientists (with three types of tenders) as well as excellence research and international cooperation enjoy special attention.



**project proposals receive funding**

In tenders for projects launched in 2022, the Czech Science Foundation funded approx. one in six project proposals received - making sure that we fund the best of Czech science.

**3,200**  
project proposals evaluated in 2022



Through an evaluation process inspired by the European Research Council (ERC) process, only the best projects are selected. Each project proposal is evaluated by at least four scientists. In the second phase, the project is assessed by additional independent international experts in the field. The EXPRO and JUNIOR STAR excellence competitions are judged exclusively by scientists abroad.

**Who received funding in 2022?**

**55 %**



**universities**

**40 %**



**institutes of the Czech Academy of Sciences**

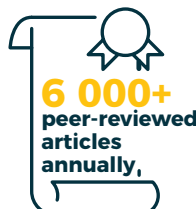
**5 %**

**others**  
(libraries, hospitals, museums, e.g.)

The quality of the evaluation process is assured by hundreds of experts covering all topics of basic research. These experts are nominated by research institutions and selected in cooperation between the R&D Council and the Presidium of the Czech Science Foundation. They serve a maximum of two consecutive two-year terms in office.



**400+ experts to evaluate projects**



**6 000+ peer-reviewed articles annually**

The Czech Science Foundation is instrumental in generating a large amount of new knowledge. On average, these findings are published in more reputable journals (measured by impact factor) than other findings produced by Czech science: 63% of the dedications of the best results, called Highly Cited Papers, from the Czech Republic originate from the Czech Science Foundation.

