

AMS-VUmc investment call

Apparatuur-ronde 2026 (max. € 50.000 incl. VAT)

Points of departure

- The equipment will be used for translational research;
- The equipment will be made available to use by all interested researchers within Amsterdam Movement Sciences;
- *Equipment that enables NEW and INNOVATE TRANSLATIONAL research with great potential will be prioritized;*
- The equipment must be purchased by an Amsterdam UMC department, and can be placed at either locations (AMC or VUmc);
- Additional financing (c.q. matching) is possible (if the available AMS budget is exceeded);
- The amount that can be requested is *minimum €12.000 – maximum €50.000 (incl. VAT)*.

Definition translational research

Translational research is research at the interface of basic science, patient-related research and clinical application. It requires collaboration between clinical and preclinical groups and offers opportunities for innovation and breakthroughs through its interdisciplinary approach. Clinical problems raise questions that can be answered with methods of basic scientific research. The new insights can be translated into opportunities for prevention, discovery of disease mechanisms, the identification of novel (drug) targets for intervention, and/or development of advanced therapy medicinal products, as well as diagnostic instruments, biomarkers, or algorithms, medical devices, and treatment strategies.

Please note!

We only finance the purchase of equipment. The department to which the equipment is assigned, is responsible for the management and operation of the equipment. **The invoice date for the purchase must be no later than November 1, 2026.**

Submission & deadline

Applications must be submitted as ONE PDF via this [LINK](#). The application deadline is **June 1, 2026**.

FINAL NOTE: Save your application as: Surname, Initial_four_first_words_project. *E.g.: Bloggs, J_High_End_GP_Unit* (omit (in-)definite articles).

Application form AMS investment call 2026	
Main applicant (and registered AMS member) (name & department), including year of dissertation (compulsory).	

Name equipment /apparatus:	
Requested amount/ price in € (including VAT) (see the min. and max. amounts above). Submit a recent offer from the supplier (no more than 1 year old).	
Which AMS programs will benefit from this research? (<i>Attach support letter program director</i>)	Choose at least one: Sports / Musculoskeletal Health / Tissue Function & Regeneration / Ageing & Vitality / Rehabilitation & Development
What impact will the purchase have for AMS?	
What is the motivation for the equipment purchase?	
Provide (in a narrative) explicit details of which <i>new or existing translational collaborations</i> (within AMS or beyond) the new equipment will facilitate. Suggestion: think out of the box, translational and with different partners. Which NEW and INNOVATIVE research does the equipment enable? What potential impact is expected from the use of this equipment? Provide names / research groups / departments and projects, and add support letters from the department heads.	
Is this new equipment or a replacement of other for which no other budget is available?	
Why is the equipment not financed within the departmental budget?	

<p>Explain: a) the expected yields with the use of the equipment b) in which current projects the equipment will be used</p>	
<p>Which future projects and grants applications will the equipment facilitate? (Concrete projects and proposals in an advanced stage).</p>	
<p>AMS will finance (part of) the equipment. Attach a financial overview of any additional costs (write-off; maintenance / service; operational costs; etc)</p>	
<p>Is additional finance needed (matching)? If so, list financier; amount; any agreements that have been made on the use of the product.</p>	
<p>Is the application project related? If yes, list the project(s).</p>	
<p>Has the equipment been discussed earlier within AMS or elsewhere (e.g. NWO)?</p>	
<p>What are the short-term consequences (1 year) for the research if the financing of the equipment is not approved?</p>	
<p>Did you consider the environmental impact of the purchase? How can the impact of the equipment be brought to a minimum?</p>	
<p>Add a support letter from the AUMC department head where the purchased equipment will be placed.</p>	

Attach to application:

1. An offer from the supplier.
2. Support letter(s) from AMS research program director(s);
3. Support letters from heads of the departments that will also make use of the equipment;
4. Support letter from head of the department where the equipment will be placed.