

## Evaluation process & criteria

The EC3R Steering Committee, together with some members of the EC3R Scientific Advisory Board, will review and rank the proposals. In a joint meeting, the final decision will be made on which projects should be integrated into the Collaborative Research Network. These projects will then be included in the EC3R application for the second funding period, which will go through a review process by the Einstein Foundation Berlin.

### Evaluation Criteria

#### Scientific Excellence/ Research Network

- Publications/preliminary work
- Fit in the network (see <https://www.ec3r.org/en/research>)
  - The proposed 3D model addresses a relevant medical problem or knowledge gap or area of strategic importance in translational research (impact of the 3D model)
  - The proposed model development is driven by an interdisciplinary team of experts
  - The proposed network project has the potential to interact with other projects within the Collaborative Research Network
  - Focus on academic research (no tox screen)
- Network of user groups
- 6R aspects (replace, reduce, refine + robustness, registration, reporting)
- Link to Cross-Sectional Projects
- Possible involvement in the activities of the EC3R (Communication and outreach; Education and training)