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The results from the Säätiöiden post doc –pooli's spring application round – 24 scholars received funding

On 24th April 2025 the Säätiöiden post doc -pooli foundations awarded some 1.22 million euro to 24 post-doctoral scholars. Altogether 150 post-doctoral scholars from around Finland took part in the spring application round. Thus a grant could be awarded to 16 % of the applicants.

Each year, the foundations involved in the Pool allocate altogether 3.2 million euro to post-doctoral scholars. The research periods abroad vary from 6 months up to 24 months. The Pool's next application round will take place from 15 August until 15 September 2025, when some 1.6 million euro will be given in grants. The results of this round will be published by December 2025.

The Finnish Foundations' Post Doc Pool was founded in 2009 to support researchers and Finnish research in becoming more international. During this time, the Pool's foundations have granted over 40 million euros to post-doctoral researchers heading abroad from Finland. After 31 application rounds, already over 800 scholars have received funding through the Pool. Over one third of the grants have been awarded for two-year periods.

Säätiöiden post doc -pooli has proven to be an important instrument of research funding which has enabled young scholars with families to finance research periods at top universities abroad. The grants awarded by the Pool are determined flexibly in accordance with the applicant's needs and they often include their family's moving expenses and children's day care or school fees.

During the current three-year-period 2025-2027 there are thirteen foundations involved in the pool. They are Ella and Georg Ehrnrooth Foundation, Emil Aaltonen's Foundation, Alfred Kordelin Foundation, the Foundation for Economic Education, Päivikki and Sakari Sohlberg Foundation, Finnish Academy of Science and Letters, Finnish Cultural Foundation, the Finnish Medical Foundation, Swedish Cultural Foundation in Finland, the Society of Swedish Literature in Finland, Finnish Foundation for Technology Promotion, Jenny and Antti Wihuri Foundation and the Ulla Tuominen's Foundation.

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