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**Exploratory Interdisciplinary Synergy  
Programme**  
Q&A with SDU on 28 June 2021

# Grant-awarding focus areas

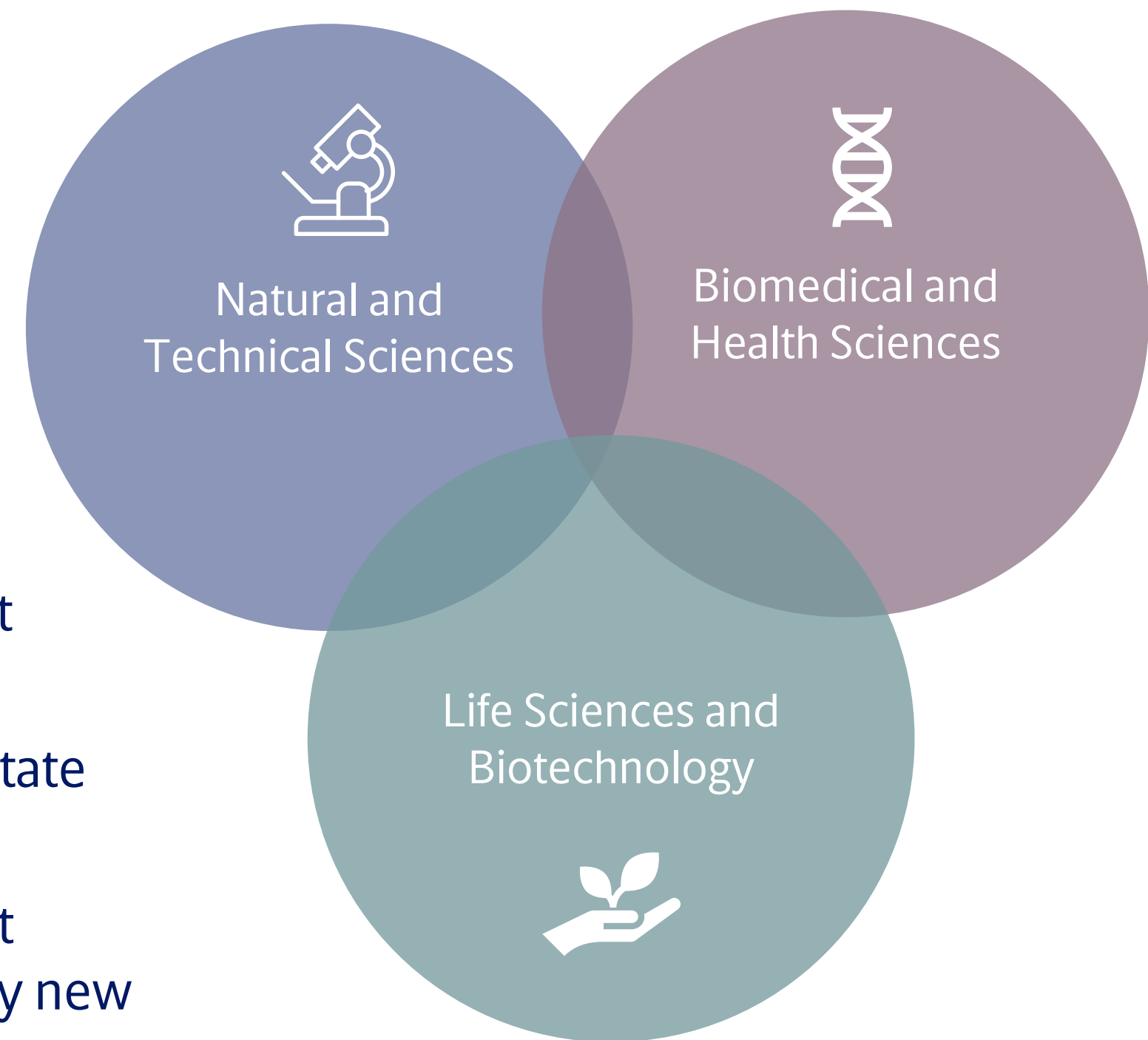


# Interdisciplinary Synergy Programmes

Supporting research projects across disciplines, organizations and national borders, in order to resolve complex interdisciplinary challenges.

## Objective:

- Pursue creative and novel, high-risk/high-gain research ideas that requires an interdisciplinary approach
- Research collaborations that do not normally take place and facilitate “more than the sum of its parts”
- Break down or overcome the barriers that exist between different disciplines to develop a “common language” and possibly entirely new research areas
- Strengthen and internationalize Danish research



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## Eligibility:

- Novel research idea where an interdisciplinary challenge is at the centre
- High-risk/High-gain project
- Consortia with 2-4 research groups
- Main applicant anchored in Denmark (>50%)
- 1-3 interdisciplinary co-applicants that contribute scientifically to the project and has a financial share (can be from any research field, institution, and country)
- Exploratory Interdisciplinary Synergy Programme is aimed towards early-stage or unexplored ideas where the project attempts to test the idea
- Interdisciplinary Synergy Programme is aimed towards ideas ideally founded on **early data** showing feasibility

## Exploratory Interdisciplinary Synergy Programme:

- Grant budget: **DKK 5 million over 3 years**
- Application deadline: **19 August 2021**

## Evaluated by **The Committee on Interdisciplinary Research**

### Assessment criteria

- Quality, creativity, idea and novelty
- HIGH-RISK/HIGH-GAIN
- The interdisciplinarity of the applicants and the expected synergy
- Qualifications of the applicant(s) for leading a complex project

# Q&A session



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