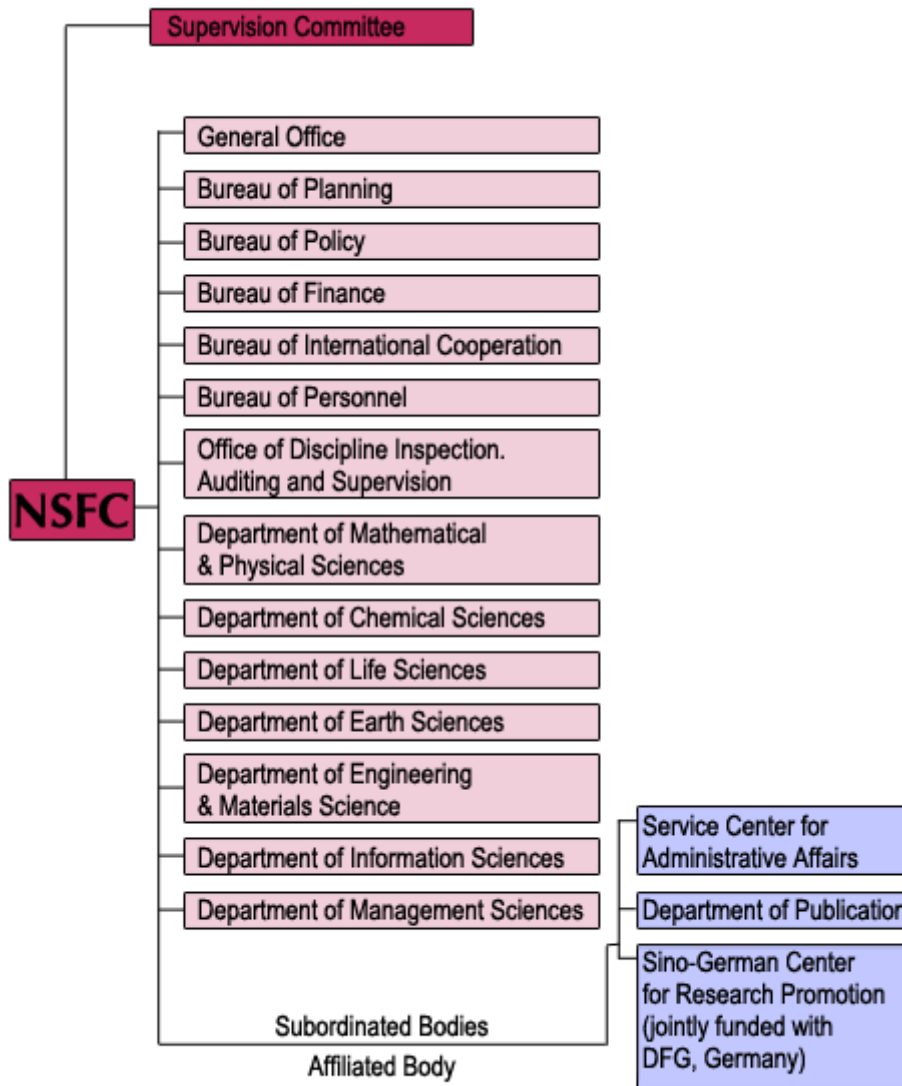


NATIONAL NATURAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION OF CHINA

Organization

According to its functions, NSFC is structured by seven scientific departments, five bureaus and two offices, as well as four units directly under its jurisdiction. It does not have any research entity of its own.



NATIONAL NATURAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION OF CHINA

Departments and Offices

To organize and formulate the development strategy in related scientific fields; to select priority funding areas and to compile the annual *Guide to Programs*; to accept and evaluate research proposals and to manage the funded projects of various categories; to take charge of the organization and management of international cooperation projects and the organization and constitution of the expert evaluation system, and to provide consultation on important scientific issues.

1. Department of Mathematical and Physical Sciences

Division of General Affairs

Division of Mathematics (also in charge of the Office of Tianyuan Mathematics Fund)

Funding areas: fundamental mathematics, applied mathematics, computational mathematics and scientific engineering computing

Division of Mechanics

Funding areas: general mechanics, solid mechanics, fluid mechanics and interdisciplinary mechanics

Division of Astronomy

Funding areas: astrophysics, celestial mechanics, stereometry and astronomical techniques and methods

Division of Physics I

Funding areas: condensed matter physics, atomic and molecular physics, nuclear technology, accelerators and detectors, and plasma physics

Division of Physics II

Funding areas: theoretical physics, particle physics, nuclear physics, nuclear technology, accelerators and detectors, and plasma physics

2. Department of Chemical Sciences

Division of General Affairs

Division of Chemistry I

Funding areas: inorganic chemistry and analytical chemistry

Division of Chemistry II

Funding areas: organic chemistry and chemical biology

Division of Chemistry III

Funding areas: physical chemistry and theoretical chemistry

Division of Chemistry IV

Funding areas: polymer science and environmental chemistry

Division of Chemistry V

Funding areas: chemical engineering and industrial chemistry

3. **Department of Life Science**

Division of General Affairs

Division of Life Science I

Funding areas: zoology, botany and microbiology

Division of Life Science II

Funding areas: Ecology and forest science

Division of Life Science III

Funding areas: biochemistry and molecular biology, cell biology, genetics and developmental biology, and immunology

Division of Life Science IV

Funding areas: neuroscience, psychology, biophysics and biomedical engineering

Division of Life Science V

Funding areas: agronomy, plant protection, horticulture and plant nutrition

Division of Life Science VI

Funding areas: animal husbandry, veterinary science and aquatic science

Division of Life Science VII

Funding areas: physiology, pathology, preventive medicine and hygienics

Division of Life Science VIII

Funding areas: clinical medicine and stomatology

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Division of Life Science X

Funding areas: traditional Chinese medicine and Chinese materia medica, integration of traditional and western medicine, materia medica and pharmacology

4. **Department of Earth Sciences**

Division of General Affairs

Division of Earth Science I

Funding areas: geography, penology, remote sensing and GIS, and environmental geography

Division of Earth Science II

Funding areas: geology, geochemistry and environmental geology

Division of Earth Science III

Funding areas: geophysics, space physics and geodesy

Division of Earth Science IV

Funding areas: marine science and polar science

Division of Earth Science V

Funding areas: meteorology, atmospheric physics and atmospheric environment

5. **Department of Engineering and Materials Sciences**

Division of General Affairs

Division of Materials Science I

Funding area: metallic materials

Division of Materials Science II

Funding areas: inorganic nonmetallic materials and organic polymer materials

Division of Engineering Science I

Funding areas: metallurgical science and engineering and mining science and engineering

Division of Engineering Science II

Funding areas: mechanical science and manufacturing science

Division of Engineering Science III

Funding areas: engineering thermophysics and utilization of energy sources and engineering

Division of Engineering Science IV

Funding areas: architecture, civil engineering and environmental engineering science

Division of Engineering Science V

Funding areas: hydraulic science and electrical science and engineering

6. Department of Information Sciences

Division of General Affairs

Division of Information Science I

Funding areas: communication and electronics system, signal and new type of information processing

Division of Information Science II

Funding areas: computer science, network and information security

Division of Information Science III

Funding areas: control theory and control engineering, system science and system engineering, and intelligent systems

Division of Information Science IV

Funding areas: information appliances, information optics and optoelectronic devices, laser technology and technical optics

7. Department of Management Sciences

Division of General Affairs

Division of Management Science I

Funding areas: management science and management engineering, science of business administration, and the special fund for complex science

Division of Management Science II

Funding areas: Business administration management

Division of Management Science III

Funding areas: micro-management and policy and contingency research projects

NSFC Cooperation with Scientific Organizations

No.	Country (Region)	Name of Organization	Form of Personnel Exchange
1	Australia	Australian Research Council (ARC)	case by case
2	Austria	Austrian Industrial Research Promotion Fund (FFF)	case by case
3	Austria	Austrian Science Fund (FWF)	case by case
4	Belarus	Belarusian Republican Foundation for Fundamental Research	6 person-months
5	Belgium	National Fund for Scientific Research (FWO)	12 person-months
6	Belgium	Fonds de la Recherche Scientifique (FNRS)	12 person-months
7	Bulgaria	Ministry of Education Science and Technology of Bulgaria (MESTB)	24 person-months
8	Canada	Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR)	20 joint projects
9	Canada	Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada (NSERC)	case by case
10	Canada	Fonds de la recherche en sante du Quebec (FRSQ)	9 person-months
11	Czech Republic	Academy of Sciences of the Czech Republic (ASCR)	6 person-months
12	Czech Republic	Czech Science Foundation (GACR)	case by case
13	Denmark	The Danish Research Councils (DRC)	12 person-months
14	Denmark	Danish National Research Foundation (DNRF)	12 person-months
15	Egypt	The Academy of Scientific Research and Technology of the Arab Republic of Egypt (ASRT)	25 person-months
16	Finland	The Academy of Finland (AF)	12 person-months
17	France	Centre Nationale de la Recherche Scientifique (CNRS)	case by case
18	France	Commissariat a l'Energie Atomique (CEA)	case by case
19	France	L'Institut National de la Recherche Agronomique de France (INRA)	case by case
20	France	L'Institut Francais de Recherche pour l'Exploitation de la Mer (IFREMER)	case by case
21	France	Agence Nationale de la Recherche (ANR)	case by case
22	Germany	Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft (DFG)	100 person-months
23	Greece	The National Hellenic Research Foundation (NHRF)	case by case
24	Hong Kong	Beijing-Hong Kong Academic Exchange Center (BHKAEC)	85 person-days
25	Hong Kong	The Croucher Foundation (CF)	To be decided
26	Hong Kong	Hong Kong Research Grants Council (RGC)	10 joint projects
27	India	The Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR)	case by case
28	India	Department of Science and Technology of India	case by case
29	Ireland	The Science Foundation Ireland	case by case
30	Israel	The Israel Science Foundation	case by case
31	Italy	National Research Council (CNR)	case by case
32	Italy	Istituto Nazionale di Alta Matematica "F. Sever"(INdAM)	case by case
33	Japan	Japan Society for the Promotion of Science (JSPS)	10 joint projects and 4 workshops
34	Japan	Japan Science and Technology Agency (JST)	5 joint projects

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35	Korea	Korea Science and Engineering Foundation (KOSEF)	case by case
36	Korea	Korea Institute of Science & Technology Evaluation and Planning	case by case
37	Macau	Macau Foundation (FM)	3 person-months
38	Mexico	Consejo Nacional de Ciencia Tecnologia (CONACYT)	case by case
39	The Netherlands	The Netherlands Organization for Applied Scientific Research (TNO)	case by case
40	The Netherlands	The Netherlands Organization for Scientific Research (NWO)	15-18 person-months
41	New Zealand	Foundation for Research, Science and Technology (FRST)	case by case
42	Norway	The Research Council of Norway (NRC)	12 person-months
43	Pakistan	Pakistan Science Foundation (PSF)	case by case
44	Poland	Foundation for Polish Science	case by case
45	Portugal	Council for Scientific and Technological Research (JNICT)	6 person-months
46	Russia	Russian Academy of Sciences (RAS)	24 person-months
47	Russia	Russian Foundation for Basic Research (RFBR)	30 joint projects
48	Slovenia	Slovenian Science Foundation (SSF)	case by case
49	Spain	Council for Scientific Research (CSIC)	12 person-months
50	Switzerland	Swiss National Science Foundation (SNSF)	30 person-months
51	Thailand	National Research Council of Thailand (NRCT)	case by case
52	Ukraine	National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine (NASU)	6 person-months
53	United Kingdom	The Royal Society (RS)	case by case
54	United Kingdom	The Engineering and Physical Sciences Research Council, United Kingdom (EPSRC)	case by case
55	United Kingdom	Biotechnology and Biological Sciences Research Council, United Kingdom (BBSRC)	case by case
56	United Kingdom	The Natural Environment Research Council of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	case by case
57	United Kingdom	The Medical Research Council of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	case by case
58	United Kingdom	The Royal Society of Edinburgh (RSE)	case by case
59	The United States of America	National Science Foundation (NSF)	case by case
60	Switzerland (location)	European Organization for Nuclear Research (CERN)	case by case
* 61	Italy (location)	International Centre for Theoretical Physics (ICTP)	case by case
* 62	Macau (location)	The United Nations University, International Institute for Software Technology (UNU/IIST)	case by case
* 63	Mexico (location)	The International Maize and Wheat Improvement Center (CIMMYT)	case by case
* 64	Philippines (location)	The International Rice Research Institute (IRRI)	case by case
65	Austria (location)	The International Institute for Applied Systems Analysis (IIASA)	case by case
* 66	The United States of America	Cornell University (CU)	case by case
* 67	The United States of America	Texas A & M University (TAMU)	case by case

* agreement between departments

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