

# European Research Council: Promotion of ERC calls in Finland

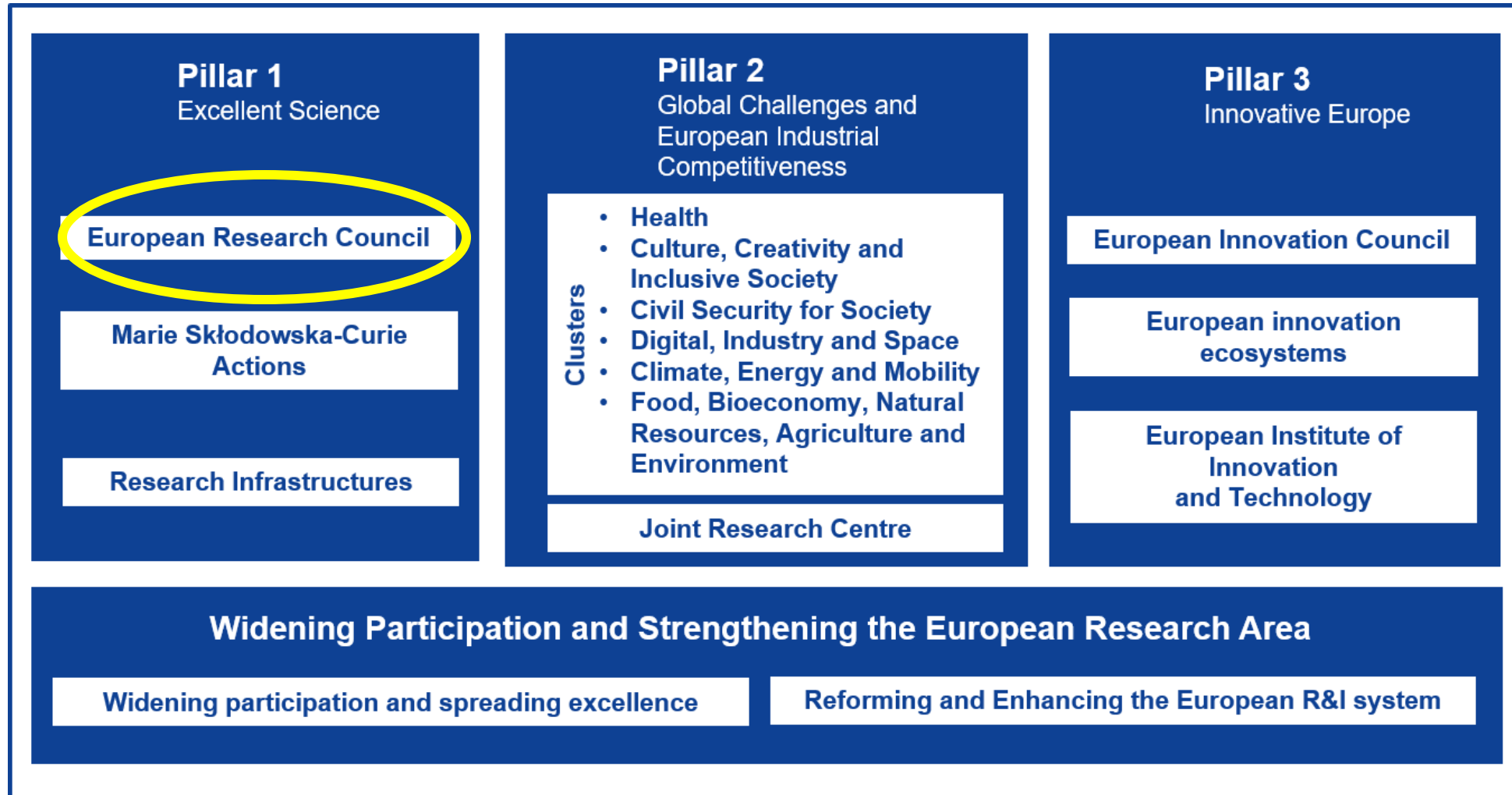
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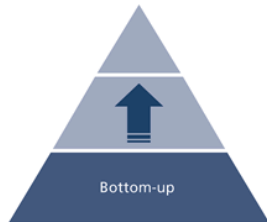
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# Horizon Europe

## The EU research and innovation programme 2021-27



# What is European Research Council?



**The ERC supports excellence in frontier research through a bottom-up, individual-based, pan-European competition**

## Legislation

- Scientific governance: independent Scientific Council with 22 members including the ERC President; full authority over funding strategy
- Support by the ERC Executive Agency (autonomous)
- Excellence as the only criterion

## Strategy

- Support for the individual scientist
- Global peer-review
- No predetermined subjects (bottom-up)
- Support of frontier research in all fields of science and humanities

# ERC grant schemes and tentative call schedule 2021

## Starting Grants

Call deadline 8.4.2021

- PI 2-7 years after PhD
- Up to 1.5 (2.5) M€
- Up to 5 years

## Consolidator Grants

Call deadline 20.4.2021

- 7-12 years after PhD
- Up to 2 (3.0) M€
- Up to 5 years

## Advanced Grants

Call deadline 31.8.2021

- 10-year track-record of significant achievements\*
- Up to 2.5 (3.5) M€
- Up to 5 years

\*No specific eligibility criteria

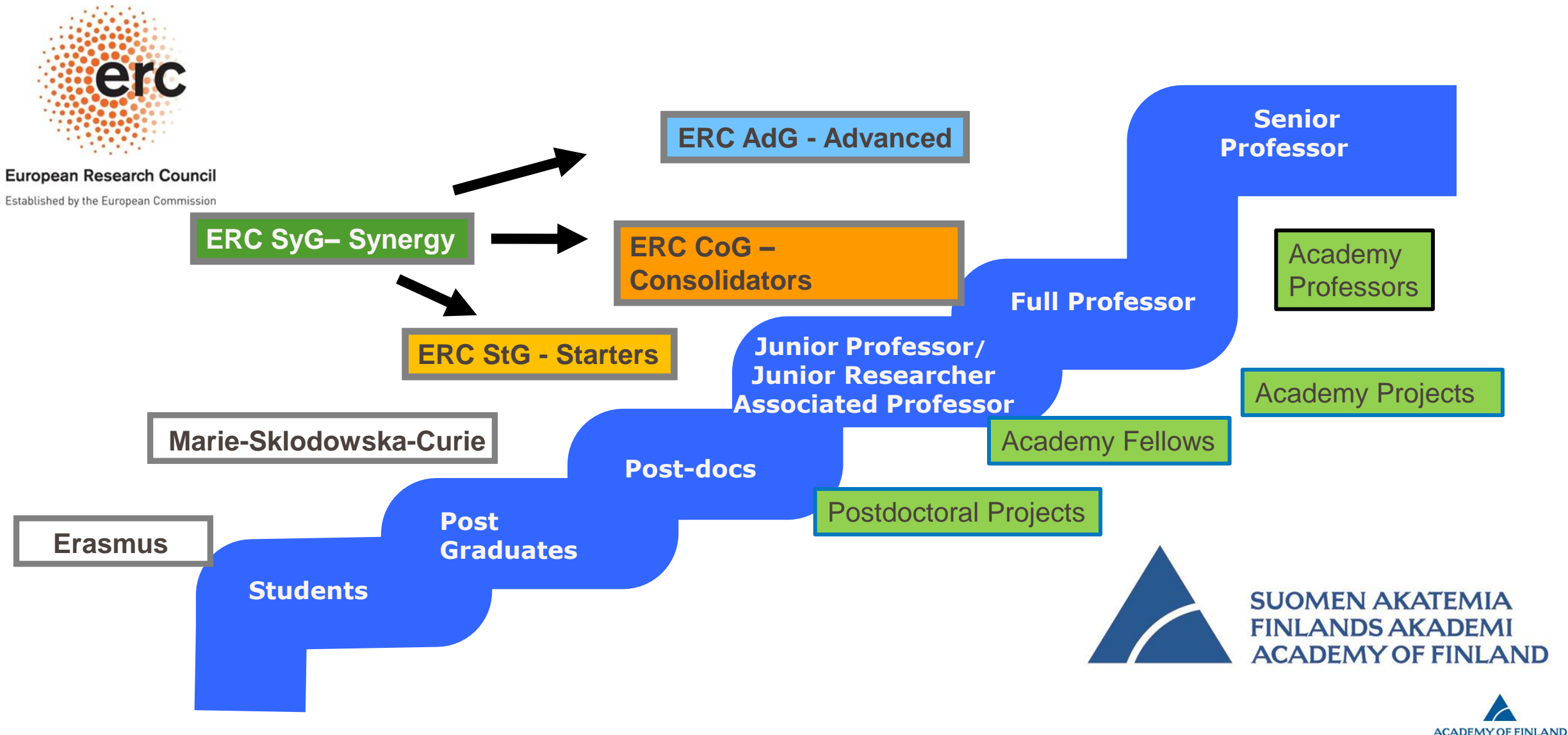
## Proof-of-Concept

Earliest stage of marketable innovation  
€150,000 for ERC grant holders  
Not included in WP 2021

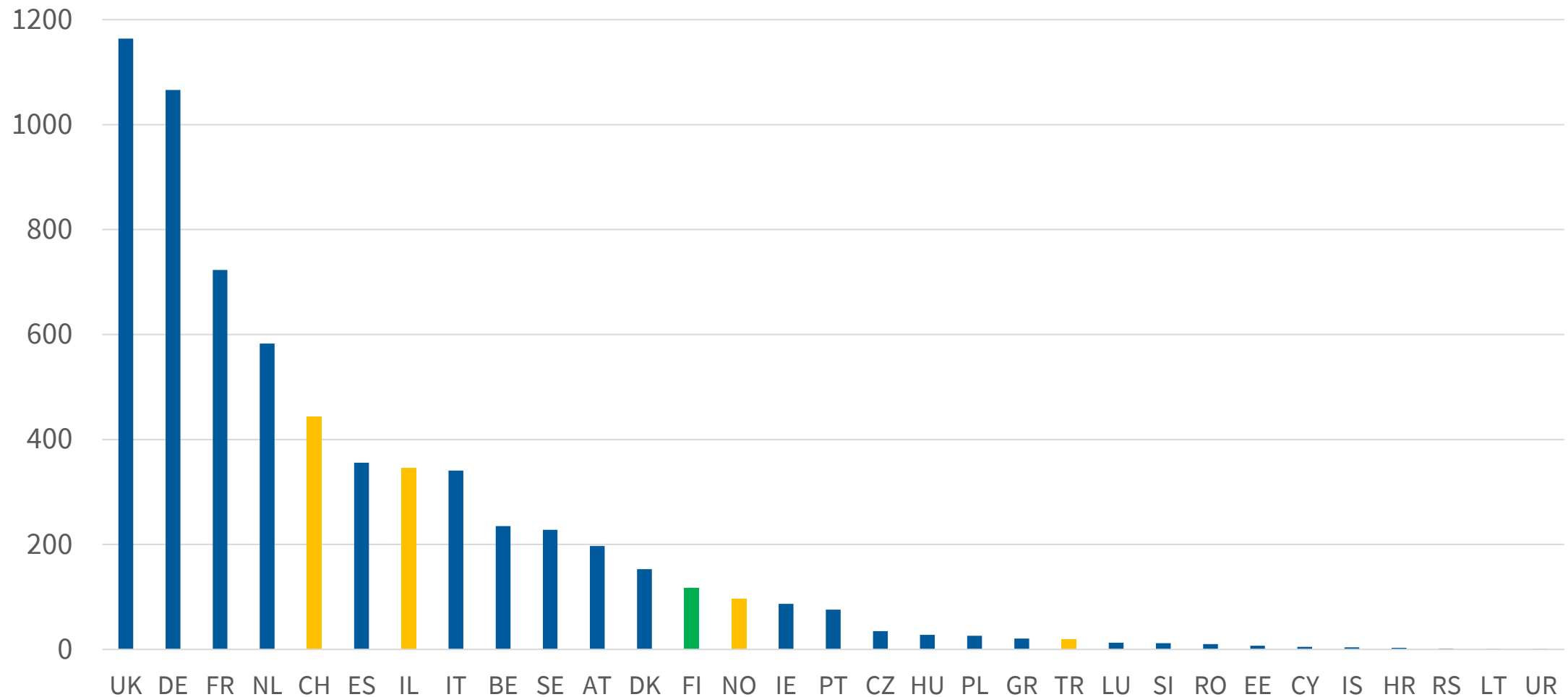
## Synergy Grants

Jointly for 2-4 principal investigators  
Up to 10 (14) M€, 6 years  
Not included in WP 2021

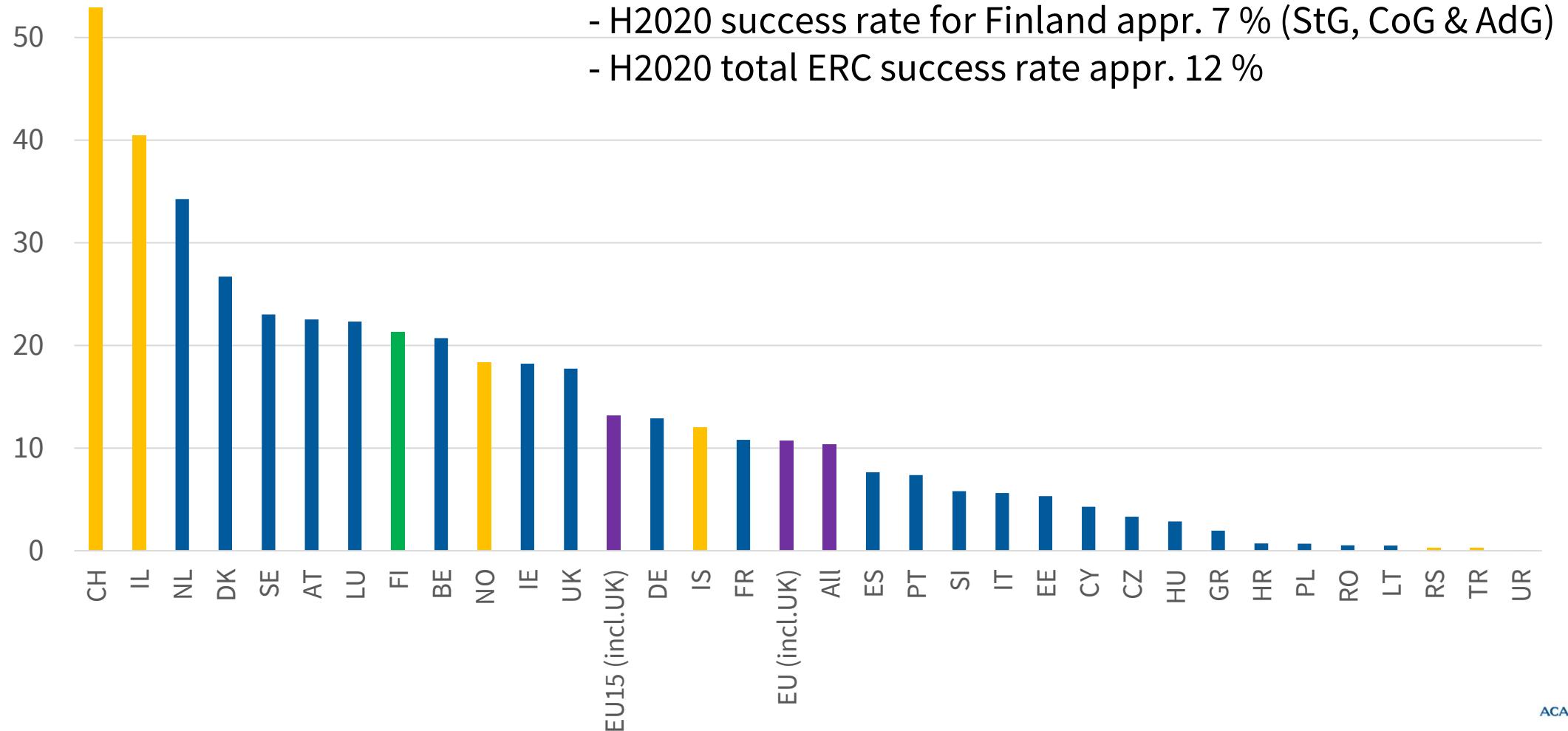
# Researchers career and complementary funding schemes



# Number of grants - H2020 StG-CoG-AdG (except AdG-2020)

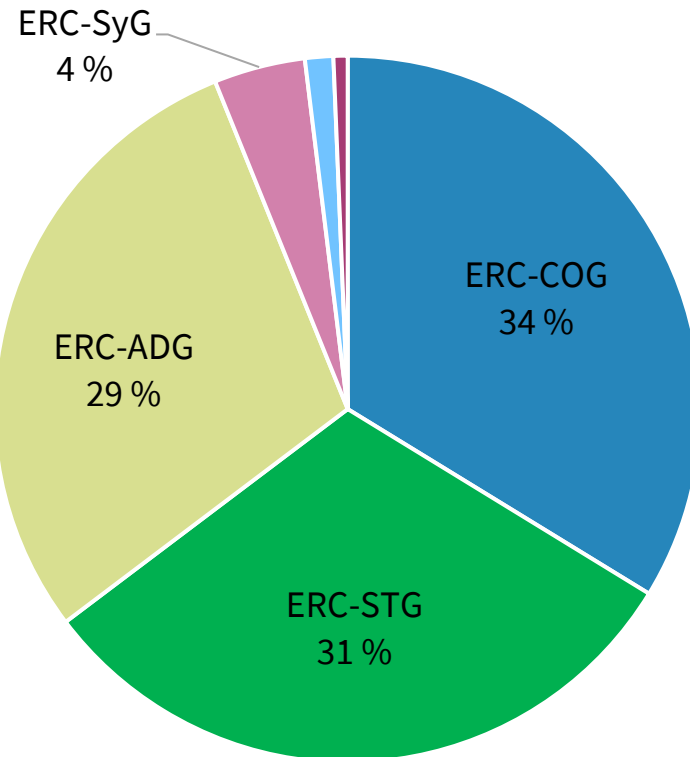


# Number of grants per 1M people - H2020 StG-CoG-AdG (except AdG-2020)



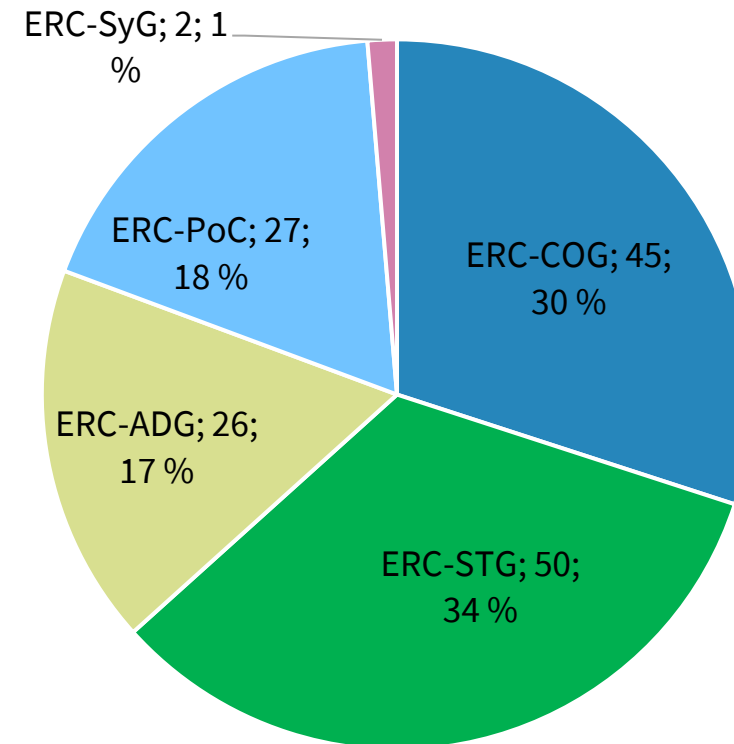
# ERCs to Finland – share of funding and number of grants (H2020, except AdG-2020)

## Funding to Finland



**Total funding: 209 M€**

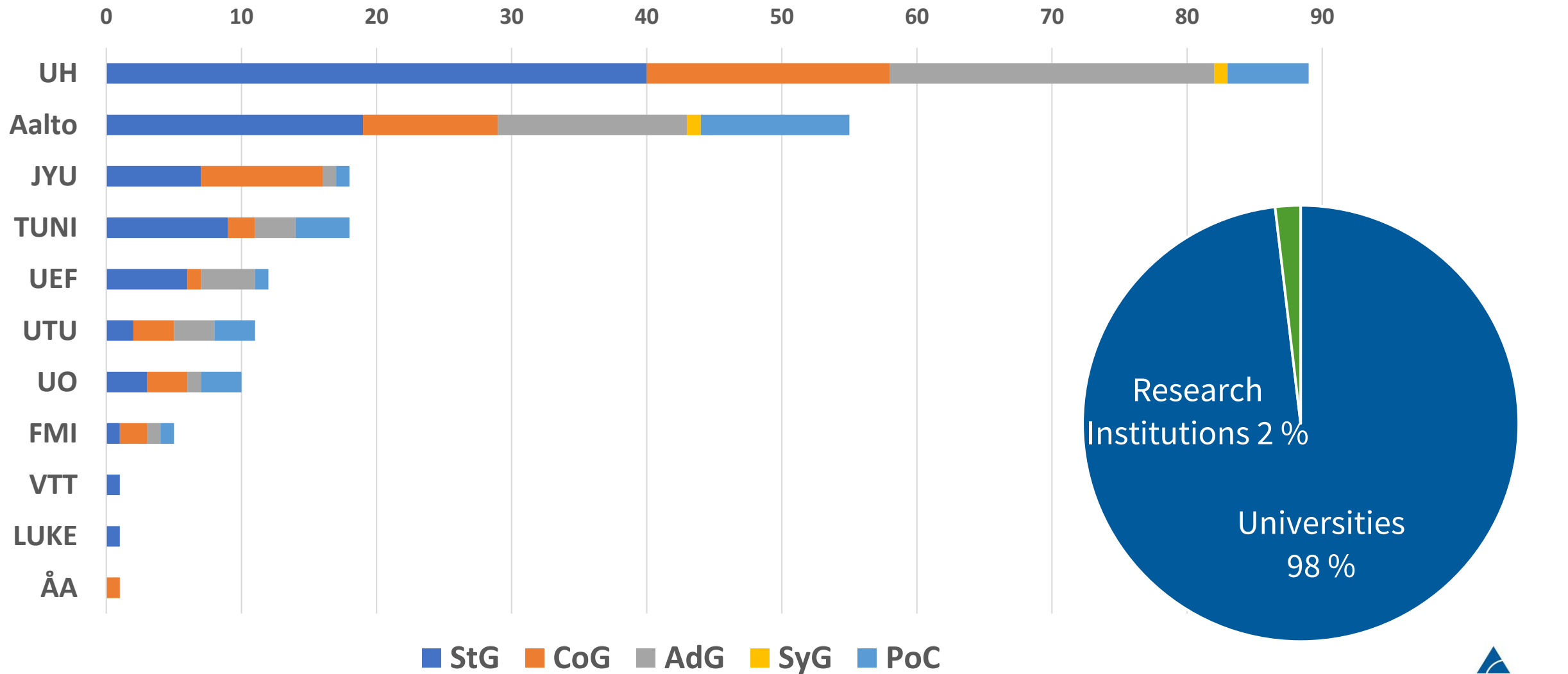
## Number of grants to Finland



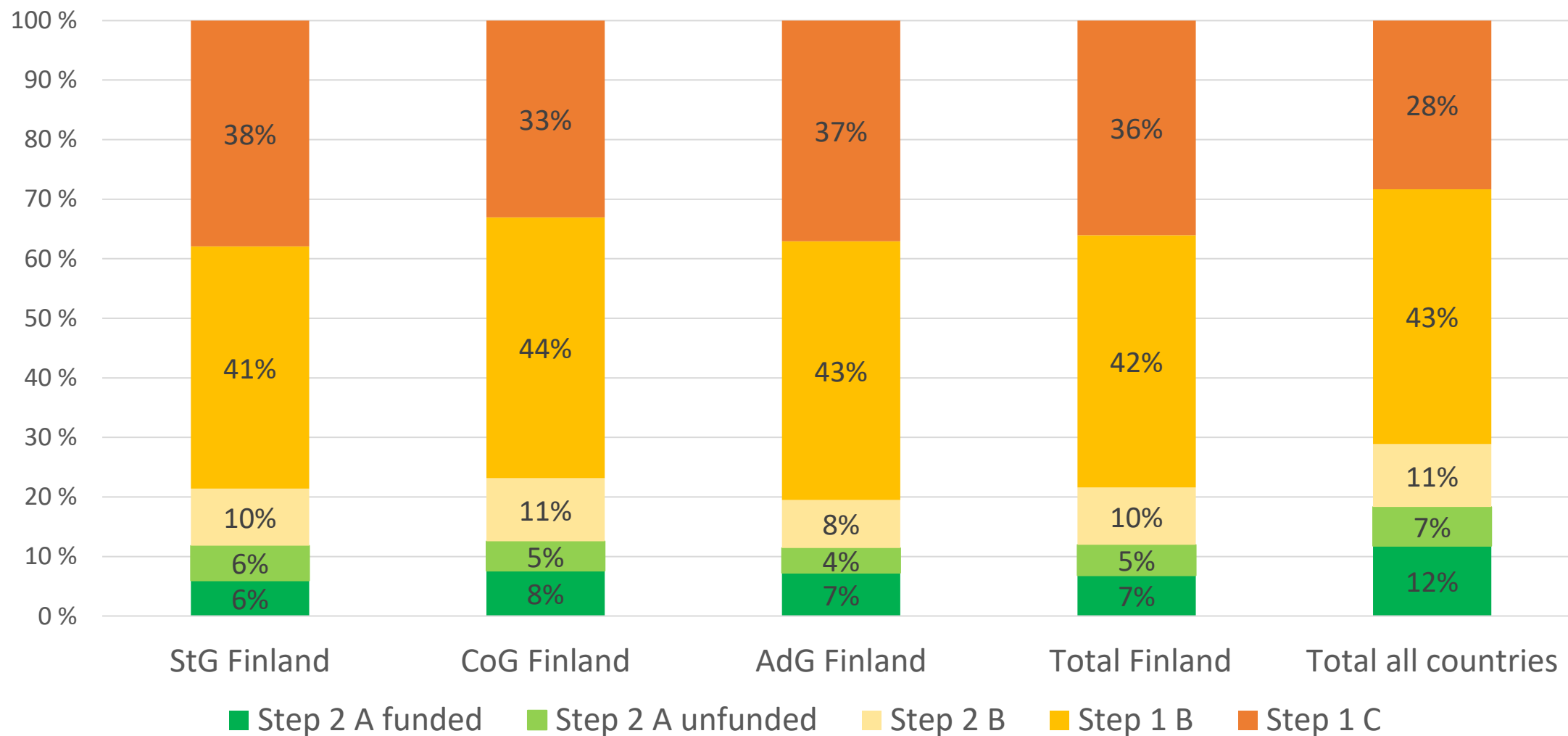
**Total number of grants: 150**

# Funding to Finland 2007-2020, except AdG-2020

## Total number of grants 221 (H2020 150)



## Distribution of evaluation results (H2020 excl. AdG-2020)



# The role of the Academy in applying for ERC funding

- The Academy of Finland acts as national contact organization for Horizon Europe together with Business Finland. The programme committee and National Contact Point (NCP) responsibilities are divided between the Academy and Business Finland.
- For all funding schemes, NCPs have been appointed to **assist and advise applicants and their Host Institutions** (HI). At the Academy, two science advisers dedicate part of their working time for ERC NCP activities.
- NCPs and the committee member participate in the programme and the ERC meetings (in Brussels or remotely) and **distribute information** to the Research Services of the HIs in Finland.
- NCPs have arranged twice a year **interview training for second-stage StG and CoG applicants** together with external ERC-consultants. With the applicant, one person from the Research services of the HI has usually participated in the training.

# The European Research Council

- More information: [erc.europa.eu](https://erc.europa.eu)
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