

REGISTRY OF ONGOING RESEARCH PROJECTS (ROPS)

<https://ongoingprojects.swissethics.ch>

INFO

RoPS (Registry of ongoing Projects in Switzerland) is a registry of all research projects approved by the ethics committees and ongoing in Switzerland, for the general public.

The database contains only research projects submitted through [BASEC](#). You can find more detailed information on clinical trials on the [SNCTP](#) portal (Swiss National Clinical Trials Portal).

APPLICABLE ORDINANCES (COLUMN "TYPE OF PROJECT"):

- Clinical trials: ClinO (KlinV, OClin, ORUm)
- Human research projects with the exception of clinical trials: HRO (HFV, ORH, ORUm)
- Further use of biological material and health-related personal data for research: Chapter 3, HRO (HFV, ORH, ORUm)
- Research involving deceased persons: Chapter 4, HRO (HFV, ORH, ORUm)
- Research involving embryos and fetuses: Chapter 5, HRO (HFV, ORH, ORUm)

FUNCTIONS AND TOOLS

DISPLAY

On the top right you'll find a small button bar:

- Info / help: shows a popup window with a link to this help document.
- Show / hide columns: select which columns to display
- Print friendly page: opens a new window with a more printer-friendly layout (not available on mobile / small screens)
- Utilities: access other functions like export & advanced search (see below)

Columns can be rearranged by drag and drop (some browsers might refuse to do this). By clicking on column headings the list can be sorted ascending or descending.

Your browser stores the current selection of columns to display in a cookie. As long as you don't delete this cookie, RoPS should show the same display when you return to the site on a later day.

SEARCH PANEL

The left part of the screen shows a search panel. It allows to search in fields that contain free text (e.g. "title").

Through the top-right button (dropdown) in the search panel you may define the search mode when searching in more than 1 field at a time: Either match all conditions or any condition. Through left dropdown "Search in" you may add additional search fields.

You can also add the same field more than once to search for different terms in the same field.

Example: To search for projects with BASEC-IDs of 2016 and 2017 add a second field *BASEC ID* with the dropdown *Search in*. Then enter 2016- in the first *BASEC ID* field and 2017- in the second, then click on *Search*.

The search fields offer a "search as you type" feature: as soon as you begin to type a search term, the system will show you possible matches.

ADVANCED SEARCH

Use the dropdown menu top right to open the advanced search panel.

FILTER PANEL

All fields with predefined values (e.g. "multicentric"/"monocentric") can be filtered in the *Filter Panel* on the left, below the search panel. Click on the arrow to expand a section and click on the value(s) you'd like to filter on.

Click on apply below the filter section to execute the filtering. Click on Clear in the filter title to remove an existing filter.

NOTES ON SEARCH & FILTERS

- Search on mobile / small screens: Not all search and filter functions are available on smaller screens (mobile phones).
- Your browser stores your current search and filter settings. Don't forget to remove search criteria or filters if you want to return to the full list.
- Since RoPS also offers an export function (see below) you may also download the full record-set and filter in other programs (e.g. Excel)

EXPORT

Through the utility dropdown-button on top left of RoPS you can access the export function. In the export dialog you can select which fields should be included in the export and the range of projects.

Supported export formats are Excel 2007 (compatible to later versions of Excel) and CSV.

MISCELLANEOUS

- To the left of the button bar you'll see the date of the latest data update.
- On top of the result table you'll find a record indicator (position / total) and a dropdown where you can select how many records RoPS should display per page.
Note: Higher selected numbers in this dropdown may increase the loading time of the page.