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The european research council winners of its 2021 advanced grants competition. The funding, worth in total € 624.6 million, will go to 253 leading researchers based in DE (61 grants), the UK (45), the NL (27), FR (26) and ITALY (15) in the lead in absolute numbers. (F: rc.europa.eu 2022).

Two graphics follow: Grantees by country of host institution and domain, and Grantees by nationality.

