

GUIDELINES FOR PROJECT GRANT APPLICATIONS

We welcome applications for small and large project grants. These grants are aimed at more progressed research projects that have moved beyond the proof-of-concept stage. Project proposals must be translational with the potential for short to medium term future clinical impact.

Funding for large project grants is very competitive and we can only fund the most outstanding projects at the maximal level. The key requirements that we look for in project grants are;

- Robust supporting data
- A research team with a strong track record in the subject area
- Demonstrating a clear pathway of how you plan to achieve patient benefit.

We will prioritise applications that we feel are addressing a key clinical need and have a good chance of being developed further towards clinical translation and patient benefit. Applicants should provide as much information on the application form as possible about future plans for translating the research and how they will take it forward. Where possible, identify potential partners (commercial, academic or clinical), future grant applications and provide a realistic appraisal of timelines and a pathway to impact of how your research will be translated. We strongly encourage multi-disciplinary applications.

If the total cost of the project exceeds the funding requested from Rosetrees, you will be asked to provide details of additional funding sources. We are particularly interested in receiving applications in which some degree of matched funding has been or is likely to be awarded.

- We will consider applications from first-time applicants, however, we recommend that a more experienced co-applicant is included as part of the team. For all applications, the principal applicant must confirm that they will be employed at the host institution for the duration of the project.
- We will only commence a grant when we have received confirmation that all additional funding required for the duration of the project has been secured.
- Please note that project grant funding cannot be used to fund the stipend or consumables for PhD studentships.

Eligibility Criteria

	Yes	No
<u>What we fund:</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Directly Incurred costs • Salaries of the Researchers • Consumables of the project • Other project running costs • Patient travel expenses 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Directly Allocated Costs • Indirect costs • Large equipment or capital spending • Conference Travel & Accommodation • Technology transfer fees • Tuition fees
<u>Where we typically fund:</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • UK Universities and Research Institutes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Non UK Institutions

<u>Funding limits</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Small project grants-£10-30K PA for 1-3 years • Large project grants-£30-80k PA for 1-3 years 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We do not to fund projects less than 1 year.

Application and Review Process

- All applications must be submitted through our online application portal (<https://rosetreestrust.flexigrant.com/>). **Please note that applicants are able to submit a maximum of one application as principal applicant per round.**
- All applications will be triaged and scored by a scientific panel. Triage scoring criteria include the track record of the team, feasibility of the research and the potential for translation. Triage will be predominantly based on information provided in the application form so please ensure that you provide as much relevant information as possible.
- The highest rated projects will be sent for external peer review. This process usually takes 3 to 4 months to complete.
- After all the reviews have been collated, the highest rated applications will be shortlisted and discussed at a scientific panel meeting when the final funding decision will be made.