

SUMMARY OF GUIDELINES FOR SEEDCORN GRANT APPLICATIONS

We welcome applications for seedcorn grants. These grants are designed to pump-prime early stage research to generate preliminary data that can be put towards future funding proposals. We are keen to support innovative and novel ideas related to prevention, diagnosis and/or treatment of human diseases. We encourage applications with 'out-of-the-box', potentially transformative ideas. Applicants are expected to have a novel and innovative hypothesis and some preliminary data that can be developed further. We will prioritise funding of applications that we believe have the greatest potential to secure further funding and grants. We will consider both pre-clinical and clinical research studies.

- For all applications, the principal applicant must confirm that they will be employed at the host institution for the duration of the project.
- If you are applying for additional funding from other sources, we will only release our funding on receiving confirmation that the additional funding has been secured.
- Seedcorn 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"> • Salaries of the researchers • Consumables of the project • Other project running costs • Purchases of small benchtop equipment • Patient related expenses 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overheads • 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 • We will fund research in other countries (e.g. fieldwork for studies of infectious disease) but the grants have to be administered and disbursed by a UK University or Institution) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Non UK Institutions
<u>Funding Limits</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • £10K for 12 months • In exceptional cases (e.g. clinical studies requiring patient recruitment), we will consider funding of £15K over 18 months. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We do not to fund projects less than 1 year.