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**GOSH BRC Novel Therapies Project Adoption Call**

**Deadline for the next round is 5th Jan 2022**

**Send your completed applications to Marta Zancolli (**[**BRC@gosh.nhs.uk**](mailto:BRC@gosh.nhs.uk)**)**

The National Institute for Health Research (NIHR) Great Ormond Street Hospital (GOSH) Biomedical Research Centre (BRC) funds early translational research, which aims to translate discoveries from basic/discovery science into clinical research and through to patient benefit and economic benefit.

Research activities within the BRC are organised through four major research themes. One of these research themes, novel therapies, is aimed at offering clinical trial options to children affected by rare and complex conditions who have limited treatment options.

The GOSH BRC Novel Therapies theme is opening its regular call for Project Adoption based on its core resources & infrastructure. It will hold several calls and reviews per year with this been the final year of the 5 year BRC cycle. Applications will be internally shortlisted by the Novel Therapies theme. Specific areas of clinical research supported by the Theme core infrastructure are the following:

1. Research coordinators (RC) \*
2. Health Care Assistants (HCAs)/Assistant Research Practitioners(ARPs) \* (for collecting biosamples)
3. Laboratory Consumables
4. Mass spectrometry (pilot studies and training for staff)
5. Magnetic Resonance Imaging (pilot studies)
6. AAV Facility at the UCL School of Pharmacy (for AAV in-house therapeutic developments and training for staff)
7. Some **limited** funds will be made available for consumables

\* There is a maximum limit on the time you can request from RCs or HCAs/ARPs who are already in post – 4hours a week.

Applicants can request a maximum of **£5,000 per application which must be spent by 20th November 2022**. The call is open to all active researchers within GOSH and ICH. You do not need to have had prior links with the BRC to be eligible to apply. No animal research is supported.

**Research Coordinators**

Two Research Coordinators have been appointed to assist with the set up and delivery of studies. Research Coordinators can provide support with:

1. Review regulatory admissions and assist in the preparation of study documents
2. Feasibility assessment for project and applications
3. Sign posting to additional services, facilities and expertise within GOSH
4. Coordinating study visits, liaising with specialties across GOSH
5. Management of site files

We strongly encourage applicants to speak to the following individuals before applying to ensure their projects are feasible.

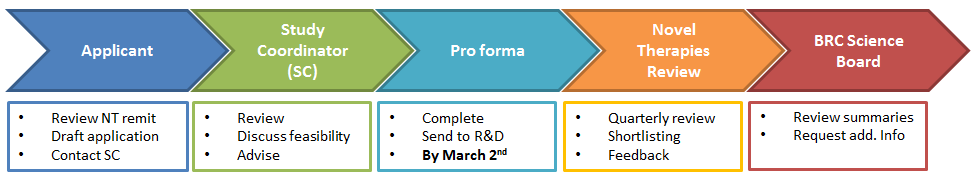
* Marta Zancolli ([marta.zancolli@gosh.nhs.uk](mailto:marta.zancolli@gosh.nhs.uk)) (for Study Coordinators/ HCAs or ARPs)
* Wendy Heywood ([wendy.heywood@ucl.ac.uk](mailto:wendy.heywood@ucl.ac.uk)) (Mass Spec)
* Chris Clark ([christopher.clark@ucl.ac.uk](mailto:christopher.clark@ucl.ac.uk) (MRI pilot studies)
* Giulia Massaro ([giulia.massaro.13@ucl.ac.uk](mailto:giulia.massaro.13@ucl.ac.uk)) (AAV Facility)

**APPLICANT CHECKLIST – HAVE YOU COMPLETED THE FOLLOWING STEPS?**

*Held discussions with Study Coordinators/Assistant Research Practitioners, Mass Spec, MRI, AAV team to discuss scope/requirements of project?*

*Registered with Joint Research and Development Office?*

*Set a timeline that spends any awarded monies between 1st February 2022 and by 20th November 2022 at the latest? If you don’t spend the funding by 20th November 2022 then it will no longer be available.*



**Important dates**

1. **30th Nov 2021**- application process opens
2. **5th Jan 2022** - application deadline
3. **Mid Jan 2022** - Novel Therapies theme shortlisting and review
4. **End of Jan 2022**- applicants informed of decision

For any queries, please contact Marta Zancolli – [marta.zancolli@gosh.nhs.uk](mailto:marta.zancolli@gosh.nhs.uk)

**Shortlisting criteria**

Projects are shortlisted on the basis of the following criteria:

* Alignment to the aims and remit of the Novel Therapies theme
* Scientific excellence of the proposed project and supporting preliminary data
* Feasibility and deliverability of the proposal based on the available/requested resources

**Conditions of award**

* All awardees are required to provide quarterly updates on their projects and to present their project at scientific meetings run quarterly by the Novel Therapies theme.

**Application form**

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| Key information | | |
| Project Title | |  |
| Requested resource (e.g. Study Coordinator, MRI) | |  |
| Title and Name | |  |
| Substantive Employer | |  |
| Email | |  |
| Department | |  |
| R&D Number |  | |
| Expected Start Date |  | |
| Expected End Date |  | |
| Proposed Research Project | | |
| Background, rationale, resources required with justification *(word count up to 1500 words)* | | |
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| Deliverables | | |
| Key objectives and deliverables, research plans *(word count up to 1000 words)* | | |
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| Joint Funding Call Details (if applicable) | | |
| If you are combining this application with another funding call, please describe the synergy between this and other funding call *(word count up to 250 words)* | | |
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| Given the impact that the COVID-19 pandemic has had on the deliverability of existing research projects, please demonstrate how you have future proofed your project for a scenario where the research environment continues to be challenging as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic | | |
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| Staff Time Required | | | |
| For Study Coordinators or HCAs/ARPs requests (maximum of 8hrs per week) please indicate as accurately as possible the average hours per week (or ½ day, 1 day every fortnight, per months etc). You cannot request new posts | | | |
| **Name** | **Start date on project** | **End date on project** | **hr/wk or days/m** | |
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| Non-staff costs | | | |
| Applicants can request a maximum of £5,000 per application. Please also note any funding provided can only be spent from 1st February 2022 and has to be fully spent by 20th November 2022 | | | |
| **Item/consumable** | **Start date on project** | **End date on project** | **Cost £** | |
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**All research projects must be registered with the Joint Research and Development Office**, whether funding is being applied for or not. Please note Study Coordinators and Assistant Research Practitioners are already assigned to Novel Therapies so applicants are requesting part of their time to complete their projects. **Failure to register may invalidate your application**.

The completed Project Registration and Costings Form should be sent to [Research.Registration@gosh.nhs.uk](mailto:Research.Registration@gosh.nhs.uk)