

R&I Bulletin 4 May 2021

Grants Advice team



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Pre-award/ Project Registration

Post-award/ R&D Governance

NIHR GOSH BRC Funding

All new research funding applications must be registered with R&D at least 15 days before the funder deadline. Our staff in the R&D office are currently working remotely or across various parts in the Trust.

ANNOUNCEMENTS, EVENTS, DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES

ICH/GOSH WEBINAR: Handling Sensitive Data

11 May, 14:30-15:30

This session will focus on key issues around sensitive data in research and will be delivered by Trevor Peacock and Tim Machin from UCL Information Services together with Neil Sebire, Director of DRIVE, the digital research environment at GOSH.

- Trevor Peacock and Tim Machin will discuss information governance, the UCL Data Safe Haven, why it's important, the benefits and how it applies to any research that involves personal data.
- Neil Sebire will cover the process used by GOSH where there is increasing recognition of the value of routinely collected health data for secondary use and research purposes.

[Join Zoom Meeting](#); Meeting ID: 927 3220 0158; Passcode: 230157



Become an Expert Evaluator in Horizon Europe

The European Commission has launched a call for new expert evaluators who will help review proposals submitted to Horizon Europe and other EU programmes. This call seeks assistance from experts with the implementation of EU funding and tenders managed through the Funding & Tenders Portal, in particular:

- assessing applications for funding;
- monitoring of projects and contracts;
- providing opinions and advice on specific issues.



Medical Research Council

Develop guidance for better research methods

Deadline: 10 June 2021

Funding to develop new guidance on biomedical and health research methods, which aims to: improve the understanding and use of better methods related to the remit of MRC or NIHR; be accessible to those without specialist methodology knowledge.

Funding lasts 18 months and should typically support:

- background or scoping review
- consensus development
- open access publication
- production of other learning resources, if required.



R&D Governance surgeries

Next session: 7 May, 11:00-12:00

<https://gosh.zoom.us/j/84094352330>

These surgeries are expected to run on a weekly basis with further dates to be confirmed shortly. The sessions are intended for individuals who would like to speak to the team to ask a query which may be resolved more easily in person, or to get an update on review status.

HIGHLIGHTED FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES



Catalyst Fellowship for clinical and non-clinical trainees

Deadline: 27 May 2021

12 month salary support for trainees to take the next step in their research career. Both non-clinical researchers and clinical trainees are eligible for this fellowship. "Clinical" includes clinicians, nurses, AHPs, pharmacists, healthcare scientists and any other appropriate clinical professional within GOSH/ICH. Eligible applicants will have a PhD (or equiv./ due to receive a PhD) and will be hosted by a laboratory at GOSH or ICH.

COVID-19 related funding



Medical Research Council

Investigate SARS-CoV-2 vaccine responses and immune failure

Deadline: 8 June 2021

Funding to investigate SARS-CoV-2 vaccine responses or immune failure. Projects must start by 13 August 2021 and last up to 12 months.



Addressing limitations in manufacturing nucleic acid therapeutics

Open call

Funding to set up a consortium addressing challenges in the manufacture of nucleic acid therapeutics. Applicants are encouraged to explore opportunities to collaborate with the Nucleic Acid Therapy Accelerator (NATA) Hub.



Economic and Social Research Council

Addressing COVID-19 challenges with Japanese researchers

Deadline: 14 July 2021

Funding, in collaboration with Japanese researchers, for a social sciences, arts or humanities research project aiming to contribute towards, e.g. improving policy, communication and service design post-COVID; speeding up recovery and reducing costs and long-term scarring; influencing the direction of recovery towards more equitable, inclusive, sustainable and resilient cultures, communities and societies. UK part of the projects will be funded between £350,000-£425,000 for 3 years.

NIHR | National Institute for Health Research

Upcoming HTA programme calls with potential opening date of 22 July 2021:

- [Medication support interventions and strategies for adherence in people with learning disabilities](#)
- [Surgical management of successfully reduced incarcerated inguinal hernia in children](#)
- [Neuroendoscopic lavage for preterm babies with post-haemorrhagic ventricular dilatation](#)
- [Sodium bicarbonate in neonatal care](#)

Efficacy and Mechanism Evaluation Programme

Deadline: 10 August 2021

NIHR NICE Rolling Calls

Proposals for research identified in NICE guidance published from 2015 onwards (for the purposes of this call, NICE guidance includes the following: clinical, social care, public health, technology appraisals, interventional procedures and diagnostics). Proposals must be within the remit of one of the participating NIHR research programmes and the primary outcome measure must be health related.

- [EME](#) (10 August 2021)
- [HTA](#) (1 September 2021)
- [HS&DR](#) (7 October 2021)
- [PHR](#) (30 November 2021)



Innovate UK

SBRI: assays for SARS-CoV-2 cellular immune responses

Deadline: 26 May 2021

The aim of this competition is to develop effective assay system approaches to measuring human cellular immune responses to SARS-CoV-2 natural infection or vaccines, to improve clinical management and vaccine deployment. Projects can range in size up to total costs of £700,000, inclusive of VAT and between 1 to 12 months duration.



National Institute for Health Research

EME Mechanisms of Action of Interventions for COVID-19

Deadline: 10 August 2021

Applications to investigate the underlying mechanisms of action of health and social care interventions for COVID-19.



Research Grants 2021

Deadline: 7 June 2021

Funding for research to improve the diagnosis, prevention and treatment of **osteoporosis and fragility fractures**. Grants are open to PIs with a PhD and no more than four years from appointment to their first academic position and should not already have obtained substantial funding from other sources (eg fellowship or large project grants). Applicants may be early-career researchers, clinicians, nurses, pharmacists and AHPs.

Three grant schemes are open and will fund direct project costs including salaries (with the exception of the Early Career Researcher Grant), materials and consumables, collaborative travel and essential equipment.

The Project Grant provides £100,000 over 3 years

The Innovative Grant is up to £10,000 over a maximum of 12 months to support highly innovative, cutting-edge pilot studies to provide critical data required to apply for funding from larger funding organisations.

The Early Career Grant is up to £30,000 over a maximum of 2 years to support early-career researchers who have the potential to become the next generation of outstanding osteoporosis researchers.



Strategic Longer and Larger (LoLa) grants: frontier bioscience 2021-2022

Opens: 6 May 2021; Deadline: TBC

Funding for frontier bioscience research that addresses significant fundamental questions in bioscience and improve our understanding of "rules of life" that govern biological systems. Applications must be >£2M each and up to 5 years in duration. Two webinars supporting the call launch will be held on 11 and 20 May 2021; if you are interested, register to attend:

[Register for the 11 May 2021 webinar \(Zoom\)](#)

[Register for the 20 May 2021 webinar \(Zoom\)](#)

Useful contacts

Project registration and pre-award queries: email [Ellen](#) or visit [Research registration webpage](#)

Grants Advice Service For support with grant applications email [Grants Advice](#) or visit [Grants Advice webpage](#)

Clinical Research Adoptions Committee (CRAC): visit [CRAC webpage](#)

Research Governance enquiries (incl. ethics, R&D approvals and research passports) email [Research Governance](#)

Commercial Contracts and Industry collaborations email [Vanshree Patel](#) or email [UCLB](#) Senior Business Manager [David Phillips](#) or Business Manager [Dominik Leisi](#)

Patient Public Involvement (PPI) Support: email research.ppi@gosh.nhs.uk

Find other contacts on our website: <https://www.gosh.nhs.uk/our-research/contact-us-rd-team/>

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