

Research & Grant Funding

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Overview

Research Services and Research Accounts work in partnership with academic divisions, departments, research facilitators, University Administration and Services (UAS) and Isis Innovation Ltd to provide comprehensive support to researchers throughout the research lifecycle.

They run the Research Support website which contains a wealth of information about all aspects of research funding: finding funding, costing grant applications, applying for funding, managing awards, clinical trials & research governance, research integrity & ethics, and research contracts.

Their website can be viewed at www1.admin.ox.ac.uk/researchsupport/

Support within RDM

If you are thinking of applying for research funding, including outline/preliminary applications and proposals made by external collaborators with an Oxford component, please discuss your plans with your local grants administration team *at an early stage* (a minimum of 2 weeks before the funders deadline, but preferably much earlier). Most proposals require an internal costing using the University's costing and pricing tool X5 and

your local grants team can provide this and other support.

Dr Ruth McCaffrey (email: ruth.mccaffrey@rdm.ox.ac.uk) is RDM's Research Strategy Co-ordinator. She provides advice and support for researchers transitioning to independence, she co-ordinates fellowship applications submitted from RDM, she provides strategic research support, co-ordination and guidance to the Head of Department and Principal Investigators, she assists in the development of major scientific initiatives and she co-ordinates scientific bids across RDM Divisions.

RDM coordinates all applications for fellowships being submitted from the Department. Anyone wishing to apply for a Fellowship must inform Ruth McCaffrey as early as possible in the process so that suitable fellowship schemes can be identified and advice, guidance & support can be provided throughout the application process. Full details can be found on the Find Funding page of the RDM website: www.medsci.ox.ac.uk/research/internal-research-funding

Funding Deadlines

There are a number of internal deadlines that must be met in

Useful Resources

For advice & guidance on applying for funding contact:

Dr Ruth McCaffrey, Research Strategy Coordinator in RDM
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Your local contact for grant support are:

James Dean, Senior Research Officer

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Laura Groom, Research Officer

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Information on Funding Opportunities:

On the RDM website
www.rdm.ox.ac.uk/find-funding

MSD Internal funding
www.medsci.ox.ac.uk/research/internal-research-funding

Internal & external funding
www1.admin.ox.ac.uk/researchsupport/findfunding

ResearchProfessional.com
www1.admin.ox.ac.uk/researchsupport/findfunding/

advance of the sponsor deadline: your local admin team needs to approve your application and then research services require at least **five working days** to review and approve your application, in advance of the sponsor deadline. It is important to plan ahead! Some funding calls require RDM to prioritise and rank bids in advance of submission so RDM set an earlier internal deadline.

Some applications require a letter of support from the Head of Department or a commitment of resources. These requests should be sent to Ruth McCaffrey well in advance of any internal funding deadlines.

Finding Funding

The RDM Funding Opportunities Bulletin

is produced monthly and contains information on upcoming internal and external funding opportunities. It is emailed to all staff and students and is also available on the Find Funding page of the RDM website:

www.rdm.ox.ac.uk/find-funding

ResearchProfessional.com

is an online research funding opportunities database and alerting service that the University subscribes to. All members of the University can create a free account and use the service to find research funding in any discipline. You can set up specific searches to find funding relevant to your interests/career stage and get

weekly email alerts. In addition, the outputs from many common funding searches are available on the Research Professional website:

www1.admin.ox.ac.uk/researchsupport/findfunding/rp/

Training is available at:

www1.admin.ox.ac.uk/researchsupport/training/rp/

Other Sources of information on funding opportunities are the:

- Medical Sciences Division Internal Research Funding page www.medsci.ox.ac.uk/research/internal-research-funding
- University Research Support website www1.admin.ox.ac.uk/researchsupport/
- Funders own websites.

Internal Funding Opportunities

The main sources of internal funding are detailed below. However a full list of internal funding opportunities can be found on the MSD Internal Research Funding page: www.medsci.ox.ac.uk/research/internal-research-funding

John Fell Fund (JFF)

Funding is available in a number of categories: (a) Pump priming, (b) Early career researcher, (c) other academic activities likely to lead to new research initiatives, (d)

Research Facilitators, (e) Support related to bids for external funding, (f) Strategic investment in research assets. Please see:

www.admin.ox.ac.uk/pras/jff/

for further details and information on how to apply.

Please note that RDM always sets an earlier internal deadline, which can be found on the Find Funding page of the RDM website:

www.rdm.ox.ac.uk/find-funding

Medical Research Fund

The Medical Research Fund (MRF) supports medical research conducted in all departments of the Medical Sciences Division. The following funding is available: (a) Bridging Funding, (b) pump priming, and (c) Clinical pre-fellowships. Please see: www.medsci.ox.ac.uk/research/internal-research-funding/medical-research-fund for further information, including application forms and closing dates.

RDM Pump Priming scheme

RDM operates an annual internal funding competition to build collaborations between researchers from different Divisions within RDM. For full details on the scheme see: www.rdm.ox.ac.uk/rdm-pump-priming-funding

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