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Small Grant FAQs

Are joint applications (i.e. applications with more than one investigator) acceptable?

Yes, we are happy to receive applications with more than one investigator though will communicate only with the first named applicant.

Can researchers at all stages of their research careers apply?

We do accept applications from researchers at different stages of their research careers, but the primary intention of the small grant scheme is to support Early Career Researchers. Where a joint application is being made between an Early Career Researcher and a more experienced colleague we would expect that the ECR is the lead investigator.

Does the Society fund research that has already commenced or extensions to projects funded from other sources?

The Society's goal is to fund new research projects, so typically it will not fund projects that have already commenced or that are an extension to existing projects. Where the proposed research relates closely to previous work of the applicant/s, we expect that the application will make it explicitly clear how the research builds on and extends this previous work.

Can the research be conducted outside of the UK?

We welcome applications for research that is conducted outside of the UK, but the lead investigator must be employed by a UK education institution.

Is there a limit for staffing costs to be included in the grant total? Can staffing costs be charged at FEC rates?

Staffing costs cannot exceed £5000. Owing to the Society's charitable status staffing costs must be calculated at non-FEC.

Do you fund undergraduate or postgraduate studies?

No, the Society does not provide funding for or toward undergraduate or postgraduate study.

Are transcription costs included in direct staffing costs?

No, transcription costs can be requested in addition to the £5000 limit on staff costs.

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Can a previously rejected proposal be re-submitted?

We are happy to consider proposals from applicants who have made unsuccessful applications previously, but we would expect the proposal to have undergone significant revision or be on a different theme.

Do you consider applications made by non-government organisations / charities?

We are happy to consider applications that involve colleagues from non-government organisations / charities, but the lead investigator on the project would need to be employed by an education institution in the UK.