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**IMPORTANT NOTE** from JeS:

The UKRI data team realised the stats can be misleading as researchers include 'Covid-19' word as comments in their summary or title sections (e.g. 'recruitment delays are expected due to Covid-19'). Therefore for data analysis purposes, we ask applicants not include the words 'Cov-19', 'Covid-19' or 'Coronavirus' in the Summary or Title sections unless the application relates to proposed research in this area.

**NEWS**

**Update on upcoming UKRI Submission date extensions.**

Please find the update on the following link, under 'Information for Institutions'.

It includes the open and coming calls with their original and new closing dates.

<https://www.ukri.org/news/coronavirus-impact-on-ukri-supported-research/>

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## COVID-19 Related Opportunities

### 1. British Society for Antimicrobial Chemotherapy

#### COVID-19 funding call

This supports researchers in better understanding and addressing the COVID-19 outbreak. Grants are worth up to £25,000, but larger amounts may be considered in exceptional circumstances.

Deadline: 17-Apr-20. Expressions of interest due by 17 April; applications due by 1 May 2020.

<http://bsac.org.uk/funding/>

### 2. CEPI - Expression of Interest

#### Sponsor and CRO for clinical trials with COVID-19 candidate vaccines

Coalition for Epidemic Preparedness Innovations is a global partnership between public, private, philanthropic, and civil organisations to develop vaccines to stop future epidemics. This call for expressions of interest requests information from entities able to serve as possible sponsors or to provide operational trial support (Clinical Research Organizations) for clinical trials involving vaccine candidates against COVID-19. Deadline: April 12th

[https://cepi.net/get\\_involved/cfps/](https://cepi.net/get_involved/cfps/)

### 3. InnoCentive

#### Challenge - What should we know to better treat coronavirus

InnoCentive invites submissions for its call on what we should know to better treat coronavirus. This seeks well-defined problems aimed at advancing the knowledge about coronavirus and how to respond more effectively against it. Solvers are not expected to provide a solution to any problem, but should define problems or areas requiring further exploration and research. Ideal problems are those whose eventual solutions will greatly expand the knowledge of coronavirus. The award is worth USD 2,500. Deadline: May 24th

<https://www.innocentive.com/ar/challenge/9934287>

### 4. Innovations for Poverty Action

#### Peace & Recovery Program

This program is accepting off-cycle proposals, capped at \$50,000, for timesensitive additions to research projects that study or support the COVID-19 response. Due to the limited funding available, this funding will likely not fund entire randomized evaluations, but is meant to support research projects with additions such as: (i) Adding a module to an existing survey in order to track COVID-19 exposure or response, (ii) Adding a treatment arm that may support communities' resiliency in response to COVID-19, (iii) Anonymizing, curating, and sharing alreadycollected data quickly so that it can be used for decision-making by the humanitarian community, (iv) Downstream surveys" that follow up on a sample that participated in an already-completed randomized trial in order to identify whether the intervention studied has an impact on the communities' response to COVID-19. Successful applicants will have a research team or staff that has the necessary experience to study the emergency response. As a result, interdisciplinary teams are encouraged. Deadline: OPEN CALL

<https://www.poverty-action.org/program-area/peace-and-recovery/competitive-fund-peace-and-recovery>

### 5. Natural Environment Research Council

#### Urgency grants

These support proposals related to the coronavirus outbreak. The maximum total project funding is £65,000 over a year.

Deadline: None You can apply for this opportunity at any time.

<http://www.nerc.ac.uk/funding/available/researchgrants/urgency/>

### 6. Partnership for Advanced Computing Europe (PRACE)

#### Support to mitigate impact of COVID-19 pandemic

PRACE is welcoming project proposals requesting computing resources to contribute to the mitigation of the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic. This applies, without being exhaustive, to the following topics: (i) Biomolecular research to understand the mechanisms of the virus infection, (ii) Bioinformatics research to understand mutations, evolution, etc, (iii) Bio-simulations to develop therapeutics and/or vaccines, (iv) Epidemiologic analysis to understand and forecast the spread of the disease, (v) Other analyses to understand and mitigate the impact of the pandemic.

Deadline: OPEN CALL

<https://prace-ri.eu/prace-support-to-mitigate-impact-of-covid-19-pandemic/>

## **7. Science and Technology Facilities Council**

### **COVID-19 rapid call for access to the octopus facility**

This enables researchers to use the Octopus imaging facility for research relevant to the SARS-CoV-2 virus and COVID-19. There are no charges for access to the facility for successful applicants.

Deadline: Up to 01-May-20. You can apply for this opportunity at any time. Applications are accepted on a rolling basis until 01 May 2020, with the possibility of extension depending on circumstances at the time. Successful proposals will be scheduled on a first come, first served basis.

<https://www.clf.stfc.ac.uk/Pages/Covid-19-Rapid-Call-for-Access-to-the-Octopus-Facility.aspx>

## **Fellowships**

### **1. Action Medical Research for Children**

#### **Chartered Society of Physiotherapy research training fellowship joint awards**

This opportunity will be available soon. The next call is expected to close in November 2020. The following information is subject to change. These awards support research to help children with brain damage or other mental or physical disability at birth. Awards are worth up to £250,000 each for up to three years.

Deadline: 20 Nov 20 (Forecast). Based on past experience, we forecast the deadline to be around November 2020. <https://action.org.uk/research/apply-research-grant/apply-project-grant/joint-awards-action-medical-research-cspct>

### **2. Alzheimer's Research UK**

#### **Research fellowships**

These support early-career non-clinical researchers beginning an independent project on Alzheimer's and related dementias. Fellowships include a salary and up to £20,000 per year for up to three years as a contribution towards research, animal and travel costs.

Deadline: 01-Jul-20. This call is repeated 2 times a year.

<http://www.alzheimersresearchuk.org/grants/research-fellowship/>

### **3. Versus Arthritis**

#### **Career development fellowship**

This enables postdoctoral scientists, vets, nurses or allied health professionals to develop their career as an independent researcher in arthritis and related musculoskeletal conditions. The fellowship is normally awarded for five years and covers salary, reasonable running costs and purchase of small items of essential equipment costing up to £30,000 in total.

Deadline: 09-Sep-20. Applications are invited between 15 April and 9 September 2020. This call is repeated once a year.

<https://www.versusarthritis.org/research/research-funding-and-policy/fellowships-and-career-support/types-of-fellowship/>

### **4. Versus Arthritis**

#### **Foundation fellowship**

The closing date for this opportunity has been extended. The previous deadline of 16 April has been extended to 17 June 2020. All other call details remain unchanged. This fellowship supports postdoctoral researchers in developing independent research ideas at an early stage in their career in areas relevant to arthritis and musculoskeletal diseases. The fellowship is awarded for three years.

Deadline: 17-Jun-20. Applications due by 4pm. This call is repeated once a year.

<https://www.versusarthritis.org/research/research-funding-and-policy/fellowships-and-career-support/types-of-fellowship/>

### **5. Versus Arthritis**

#### **Senior research fellowship**

The closing date for this opportunity has been extended. The previous deadline of 8 July has been extended to 9 September 2020. All other call details remain unchanged. This fellowship supports medical or science graduates committed to a research career in any discipline relevant to arthritis and related musculoskeletal diseases with the expectation of securing higher-level appointments. The fellowship is worth up to £1 million for up to five years.

Deadline: 09-Sep-20. Applications due by 4pm. This call is repeated once a year.

<https://www.versusarthritis.org/research/research-funding-and-policy/fellowships-and-career-support/types-of-fellowship/>

## **Research grants**

### **1. Alzheimer's Research UK**

#### **Major project grants**

These support research projects on Alzheimer's disease and related dementias. Grants are typically worth up to £500,000 each for up to five years to cover salaries, equipment, and animal and running costs.

Deadline: 01-Jul-20. This call is repeated 2 times a year.

<http://www.alzheimersresearchuk.org/grants/major-project/>

### **2. Alzheimer's Research UK**

#### **Network cooperation grant**

This supports projects that further cooperation and collaboration between at least two of Alzheimer's Research UK's network centres. The grant is worth up to £100,000 for up to two years and may cover staff salaries, equipment, animal costs and running costs.

Deadline: 01-Jul-20. This call is repeated 2 times a year.

<https://www.alzheimersresearchuk.org/grants/network-cooperation/>

### **3. Alzheimer's Research UK**

#### **Network resource grant**

This provides funds for research resources or tools that could be of benefit to biomedical dementia research in the Alzheimer's Research UK network and beyond. The grant is worth up to £250,000 and may cover staff salaries, equipment, animal costs and running costs.

Deadline: 01-Jul-20. This call is repeated 2 times a year.

<https://www.alzheimersresearchuk.org/grants/network-resource-grant/>

### **4. Alzheimer's Research UK**

#### **Pilot project grants**

These support novel research ideas that if successful would lead to a major project or programme application to ARUK or other funding body. Grants are worth up to £50,000 each for up to two years.

Deadline: 07-Oct-20. This call is repeated 2 times a year.

<http://www.alzheimersresearchuk.org/grants/pilot-projects/>

### **5. British Heart Foundation**

#### **Cardiovascular catalyst awards**

This opportunity is temporarily closed.

<https://www.bhf.org.uk/for-professionals/information-for-researchers/what-we-fund/cardiovascular-catalyst-awards>

### **6. Department of Health and Social Care including NIHR**

#### **Health technology assessment programme – commissioned call: 19/130**

The closing date for this opportunity has been extended. The previous deadline of 6 May has been extended to 2 September 2020. All other call details remain unchanged. This call supports primary research for the evaluation of interventions to improve the detection, management or treatment of people with symptoms of bipolar disorder. There are no fixed limits on the duration of projects or funding.

Deadline: 02-Sep-20.

<https://www.nihr.ac.uk/funding/19130-bipolar-disorder/22710>

### **7. Department of Health and Social Care including NIHR**

#### **Clinical excellence awards**

This opportunity is temporarily closed.

Deadline: Not known.

<https://www.rcpsych.ac.uk/about-us/2020/03/24/clinical-excellence-awards-suspended>

### **8. Department of Health and Social Care including NIHR**

#### **Research for patient benefit programme, round 42**

This supports research concerned with the day-to-day practice of health service staff that has the potential to have an impact on the health or wellbeing of patients and users of the NHS. Grants for individual projects are worth up to £350,000 each for up to three years.

Deadline: 15-Jul-20. This call is repeated 3 times a year.

<https://www.nihr.ac.uk/funding/research-for-patient-benefit-programme-competition-41/23201>

### **9. Dunhill Medical Trust**

#### **Research project grants**

This opportunity is temporarily closed.

Deadline: Not known

<http://dunhillmedical.org.uk/grants-for-academic-or-clinical-research>

### **10. Medical Research Council**

#### **MRC/AHRC/ESRC adolescence, mental health and the developing mind initiative – call for research programmes**

This supports impactful multidisciplinary research at a range of interfaces, including medicine, biology, social science, arts and humanities. The total budget is £24 million to support research programmes with up to £4m each over four years.

Deadline: 15-Sep-20. Outline proposals due by 4pm GMT+1.

[https://mrc.ukri.org/funding/browse/amhdm/adolescence-mental-health-and-the-developing-mind/?utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_source=govdelivery](https://mrc.ukri.org/funding/browse/amhdm/adolescence-mental-health-and-the-developing-mind/?utm_medium=email&utm_source=govdelivery)

## **Studentship grants**

### **1. Alzheimer's Research UK**

#### **PhD scholarship**

This supports a full PhD programme that addresses Alzheimer's disease and related dementias. The scholarship includes a stipend of £16,000 per year, or £17,000 per year in London, and coverage of tuition fees and research and travel costs worth up to £15,000.

Deadline: 07-Oct-20. This call is repeated once a year.

<http://www.alzheimersresearchuk.org/grants/phd-scholarship/>

## **2. Biotechnology and Biological Sciences Research Council**

### **Centre for doctoral training in food systems**

The closing date for this opportunity has been extended. The previous deadline of 13 May has been extended to 28 July 2020. All other call details remain unchanged. This call supports research organisations and stakeholders developing interdisciplinary studentships that cover different parts of the food system, providing opportunities for doctoral candidates to engage with food system actors and stakeholders. One centre will be awarded £5 million to support approximately 45 four-year studentships over three consecutive intakes.

Deadline: 28-Jul-20. Proposals due by 4pm.

<https://bbsrc.ukri.org/funding/filter/spf-food-systems-cdt/>

## **Travel, conference & dissemination grants**

### **1. Department of Health and Social Care including NIHR**

#### **Global health research workshop fund award pilot**

This enables NIHR Academy members based in the NIHR Global Health Research programmes to plan and lead a workshop with a defined output on a topic that is pertinent to them as an individual and relevant to other participants. Awards are worth up to £10,000 each.

Deadline: 01-Dec-20.

<https://www.nihr.ac.uk/funding/nihr-global-health-research-workshop-fund-award-pilot-2020/24503>

### **2. Medical Research Council**

#### **Metabolomics with the Q Exactive course bursaries**

These enable Medical Research Council-funded researchers to attend a course on metabolomics, to be held in November 2020 at the University of Birmingham. Bursaries cover the registration fee.

Deadline: 29-Oct-20.

<https://www.birmingham.ac.uk/facilities/metabolomics-training-centre/courses/2020/Metabolomics-with-the-Q-Exactive-April-2020.aspx>

### **3. Wellcome**

#### **Working with protozoan parasite database resources course bursaries**

These enable experimental biologists working on protozoan parasitic organisms to attend a course on using online resources for genomic-scale data analysis of protozoan parasites, to be held in October 2020 at the Wellcome Genome Campus, UK. Bursaries cover up to 50 per cent of the course fee.

Deadline: 02-Jul-20. Applications due by 11.59pm UTC.

<https://coursesandconferences.wellcomegenomecampus.org/our-events/parasite-database-resources-2020/>

## **UEA-Managed Funding**

<https://portal.uea.ac.uk/rin/find-funding/internal-funding>

### **1. Eastern ARC Fund**

Eastern ARC (Universities of East Anglia, Essex and Kent) has set up the Eastern ARC Fund to support collaboration between two or more of the partner universities in meeting the UN's Sustainable Development Goals. Eligible activity includes: pilot projects; visits and exchanges; workshops, sandpits and other events.

Awards up to £2K, £5K or £10K depending on activity

Deadline: Open

<http://easternarc.ac.uk/the-eastern-arc-fund/>

### **2. UEA GCRF Rapid Response Funds**

Supports activities to leverage the research excellence at UEA for impact in the developing world. Must comply with Official Development Assistance (ODA) requirements.

Deadlines: 05 June 2020

<https://portal.uea.ac.uk/rin/find-funding/uea-and-uea-managed-funding/uea-gcrf-rapid-response-fund>

### **3. UEA GCRF Vice-Chancellor's Fellowships Scheme**

This provides the opportunity for international researchers to spend between 3-6 months at UEA, to advance longer-term interdisciplinary collaborations and to undertake training activities to support their career development. Must comply with Official Development Assistance (ODA) requirements.

Deadlines: 05 June 2020

<https://portal.uea.ac.uk/rin/find-funding/uea-and-uea-managed-funding/uea-v-c-s-global-challenges-research-fellowships>

### **4. UEA Academic Secondment to Business Fund**

To support academic secondments to business of relevance to the Four Grand Challenges (AI and the digital economy, Future of Mobility, Clean Growth, Ageing Society) of the Industrial Strategy. Requests from early career stage researchers are welcome. Awards up to £30K.

Deadline: Open.

#### 5. External business Visit to UEA Fund

To support visits to UEA from an external business of relevance to the Four Grand Challenges (AI and the digital economy, Future of Mobility, Clean Growth, Ageing Society) of the Industrial Strategy. Applications are particularly welcome for visitors who might be able to facilitate multiple interactions across a number of different research groups. Awards up to £5K.

Deadline: Open.

<https://portal.uea.ac.uk/rin/find-funding/internal-funding/industrial-strategy-funding-opportunities>

#### 6. UEA Industrial Strategy Seedcorn Fund

To fund a range of activities that could support UEA's response to the Industrial Strategy but will be primarily focused on developing multi-disciplinary activities. Eligible activity could include support for a meeting drawing together researchers from different disciplines to consider one of the Four Grand Challenges (AI and the digital economy, Future of Mobility, Clean Growth, Ageing Society) or pump priming for multi-disciplinary collaborations.

Deadline: Open.

<https://portal.uea.ac.uk/rin/find-funding/internal-funding/industrial-strategy-funding-opportunities>

#### 7. UEA Continuing Professional Development Fund

To support the development of new CPD programmes and packages, run through the CPD Executive. Awards up to £5K.

Deadline: Open

<https://portal.uea.ac.uk/rin/find-funding/internal-funding/cpd-development-fund1>

#### 8. UEA Enabling Innovation: From Research to Application (EIRA) Fund

Eastern ARC (Universities of East Anglia, Essex and Kent) has been awarded funding by Research England's Connecting Capability Fund to support business innovation in Norfolk, Suffolk, Essex and Kent for artificial intelligence, biotech and digital creative. A range of funding opportunities is available for UEA researchers and businesses active in the New Anglia and South East Local Enterprise Partnerships interested in working together. Examples include: innovation vouchers and R&D grants.

Deadline: Various depending on EIRA intervention.

<https://portal.uea.ac.uk/rin/find-funding/uea-and-uea-managed-funding/eira-funding>

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