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NEW! – SCI-RIN grant application timelines

New timelines for external grant applications in the SCI Schools have been put in place in order to facilitate more effective RIN support for well-planned applications, and applications that are *unavoidably* late.

One key change is that applications notified to RIN at a very late stage (1-2 weeks from deadline) will be assessed for their urgency, importance and practicality in each School by the Head of School and Director of Research in discussion with RIN, and may have to be postponed.

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Equipment grants & access to facilities

1. Science and Technology Facilities Council

Beamtime direct access – ISIS

This provides free access to neutron and muon instruments for academic and industry researchers at the ISIS research centre. UK researchers awarded beam time may request up to £1,200 per experiment for consumables and research groups with several experiments may request up to £4,800.

Deadline: 15-Apr-20. This call is repeated 2 times a year.

<http://www.isis.stfc.ac.uk/apply-for-beamtime/apply-for-beamtime2117.html>

Fellowships

1. Academy of Medical Sciences

SUSTAIN pilot programme

This opportunity will be available soon. The next call is expected to open in November 2020. The following information is subject to change. This programme enables female researchers to thrive in their independent research careers by providing interactive career development workshops, a peer support network and one-to-one mentoring. A total of 24 places are available.

Deadline: 29 Nov 20 (Forecast). Based on past experience, we forecast the deadline to be around November 2020. This call is repeated once a year.

<http://www.acmedsci.ac.uk/grants-and-schemes/mentoring-and-other-schemes/sustain/>

2. Biotechnology and Biological Sciences Research Council

High value bio-renewables enterprise fellowships

These enable an individual time to pursue research ideas and translate them within the scope of the high value bio-renewables network fund. Fellowships are worth up to £70,000 over one year.

Deadline: 15-Apr-20. Submissions due by 11am.

<https://www.highvaluebiorenewables.net/funding/hvb-enterprise-fellowships/>

3. Department of Health and Social Care including NIHR

HEE/NIHR integrated clinical academic programme – predoctoral clinical academic fellowships

These support programmes of academic training that equip non-medical healthcare professionals with the skills to access doctoral level funding and time to prepare an application for a research training fellowship. Fellowships typically last for one year.

Deadline: 26-Mar-20. Applications due by 1pm.

<https://www.nihr.ac.uk/funding/heenih-ica-pre-doctoral-clinical-academic-fellowship-pcaf-round-3/23615>

4. Royal Society

Industry fellowships

These enable academic scientists to work on collaborative projects with industry, and for scientists in industry to work on a collaborative project with an academic organisation. Fellowships support a period of up to two years full-time and cover fellows' basic salary as well as research expenses of up to £2,000 per year.

Deadline: 28-Apr-20. Applications are invited between 3 March and 28 April; and between 4 August and 6 October 2020.

Deadlines on: 28 April 2020, 6 October 2020.

<https://royalsociety.org/grants-schemes-awards/grants/industry-fellowship/>

5. Royal Society

Kan Tong Po visiting fellowships

These enable UK- or US-based scientists to collaborate with Hong Kong-based academics, or Hong Kong-based scientists to collaborate with academics in the UK or US. Fellowships provide up to £3,000 for airfare and subsistence for visits lasting up to three months.

Deadline: 03-Jun-20. Applications are invited between 15 April and 3 June 2020. This call is repeated once a year.

<https://royalsociety.org/grants/schemes/international-exchanges/>

6. Royal Society of Edinburgh

BBSRC enterprise fellowships

These enable science and technology researchers based in the UK to develop a new business, building on previously funded Biotechnology and Biological Sciences Research Council research, and become successful entrepreneurs.

Fellowships are worth up to £90,000 in funding and training support for one year.

Deadline: 03-Apr-20. Applications due by 5pm. This call is repeated 2 times a year.

<https://www.rse.org.uk/awards/enterprise-fellowships/>

Innovation & engagement funding

1. Innovate UK

Alternative routes to the safe and sustainable manufacturing of resorcinol

This seeks innovative solutions that could lead to a new synthetic route for resorcinol. The rewards package includes support in the development of pilot scale synthesis and funding for a studentship.

Deadline: 20-Mar-20.

<https://www.ktninnovationexchange.co.uk/challenges/single/52>

2. Innovate UK

Alternative routes to the sustainable manufacturing of 1,3-cyclohexanedione

This seeks innovative solutions that could lead to a new synthetic route for 1,3-cyclohexanedione that does not utilise resorcinol as a starting material. The rewards package includes support in the development of pilot scale synthesis and funding for a studentship.

Deadline: 20-Mar-20.

<https://www.ktninnovationexchange.co.uk/challenges/single/51>

3. Innovate UK

Demonstrators addressing cybersecurity challenges in the internet of things

This supports collaborative R&D projects addressing major cybersecurity challenges in the internet of things that result in a new product, industrial process or service. Grants are worth up to £2 million each; funding amounts depend on the organisation and project type.

Deadline: 15-Apr-20. Proposals due by 12 noon UK time.

<https://apply-for-innovation-funding.service.gov.uk/competition/544/overview>

4. Innovate UK

Demonstrators addressing cyber security challenges in the internet of things – round 2

These support projects that result in a new product or products, industrial process or service, which must be proven in as part of a demonstrator. Grants are worth up to £2 million each to support projects with total eligible cost between £2m and £4m.

Deadline: 15-Apr-20. Applications due by 12 noon UK time.

<https://apply-for-innovation-funding.service.gov.uk/competition/544/overview?elqTrackId=254F22F10C47CD8CAA7416C8E2D777C2&elq=07ed4516a54b49f38c98b4e5c9b29f01&elqaid=1370&elqat=1&elqCampaignId=752#summary>

5. Ministry of Defence

Open call for innovation – emerging innovations

This encourages proposals across a wide range of technology areas with the aim of finding new and novel opportunities for these to be exploited across defence or security. The majority of successful projects cost between £50,000 and £100,000 and last between 3 and 10 months.

Deadline: 31-Mar-20. Proposals due by 12 noon. This call is repeated 6 times a year.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/defence-and-security-accelerator-enduring-challenge>

6. Ministry of Defence

Open call for innovation – rapid impact innovation

This encourages projects relating to defence and security innovations, which have a realistic prospect of achieving an impact within a three-year time frame from the commencement of the project. Grants are typically worth between £100,000 and £350,000.

Deadline: 31-Mar-20. Proposals due by 12 noon. This call is repeated 4 times a year.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/defence-and-security-accelerator-enduring-challenge>

Prizes

1. Royal Society

Insight investment science book prize

This recognises books that contribute to making science more accessible to public adult audiences. The author of the winning book receives £25,000.

Deadline: 26-Mar-20. Entries due by 11pm GMT. This call is repeated once a year.

<https://royalsociety.org/grants-schemes-awards/book-prizes/science-books-prize/how-to-enter/#entry-process>

Research grants

1. British Skin Foundation

Small grants

This opportunity will be available soon. The next call is expected to open on 31 January 2020. The following information is subject to change. These grants support small or pilot projects on skin disease conducted in the UK or Republic of Ireland. Grants are worth up to £10,000 each for up to one year.

Deadline: 28 Apr 20 (Forecast). We have no information from the funder yet about the next call. Based on past experience, we forecast the deadline to be around April 2020. This call is repeated once a year.

<https://www.britishskinfoundation.org.uk/bsf-small-grant>

2. Microbiology Society

International development fund

This aims to assist microbiologists in countries with low-income or lower-middle-income economies. Awards are worth up to £5,000 each.

Deadline: 08-Apr-20. Deadlines on: 8 April 2020, 1 October 2020.

<https://www.microbiologysociety.org/grants/international/international-development-fund.html>

3. Royal Society

International collaboration awards

These support collaboration between research groups in the UK and overseas, with a view to support work on global challenges and problems facing developing countries. Approximately 10 awards, worth up to £75,000 per year for up to three years, are available.

Deadline: 02-Apr-20. Applications are invited between 4 February and 2 April 2020. This call is repeated once a year.

https://royalsociety.org/grants-schemes-awards/grants/international-collaborations/?utm_source=social_media&utm_medium=hootsuite&utm_campaign=standard

4. Royal Society

Newton mobility grants – Brazil, Thailand and Turkey

These grants enable researchers from Brazil, Thailand and Turkey to visit or send staff and students to the UK to develop networks, research projects and partner with their UK hosts and the wider UK research community. Grants are worth up to £12,000 each for up to two years.

Deadline: 02-Jun-20. Applications are invited between 15 April and 2 June 2020. This call is repeated once a year.

<https://royalsociety.org/grants-schemes-awards/grants/newton-mobility-grants/>

5. UKRI Industrial Strategy Challenge Fund (ISCF)

Healthy Ageing Catalyst Awards 2020

These awards will provide approximately 20 grants per year until 2023 for academics based at UK Research Organisations to explore new, innovative, ideas with the potential to transform the physical, mental or social well-being of people across the world as they age. The Awards are part of the NAM Healthy Longevity Global Grand Challenge and award holders will be eligible for the later stages of that competition, including accelerator awards of up to \$0.5 million USD and the \$5 million USD Grand Prize. The outline application stage will be anonymous to ensure the proposed innovation is assessed, rather than the individual(s) applying. Applications will be expected to fit with the priority areas of the ISCF Healthy Ageing Challenge.

Deadline: 13-Feb-20 by 4pm.

<https://www.ukri.org/funding/funding-opportunities/healthy-ageing-catalyst-awards-2020/>

6. Versus Arthritis

Medical technologies proof of concept

These aim to develop or evaluate innovative technologies that help support individuals suffering with musculoskeletal conditions, in particular projects that develop medical devices, orthotics, implantable therapeutic delivery and imaging. The total budget for this call is worth £500,000 and grants are worth up to £100,000 for up to two years.

Deadline: 25-Mar-20. Expressions of interest due by 5pm, 25 March; full applications due by 8 July 2020.

<https://www.versusarthritis.org/research/information-for-applicants/types-of-grant>

Tenders

1. Department for Environment, Food & Rural Affairs

Innovative tuberculosis diagnostics research project

The tenderer will conduct proof of concept research into innovative tuberculosis diagnostic tools. The contract is worth £100,000 over one year.

Deadline: 06-Mar-20. This is a one-off opportunity. We do not expect future rounds.

<https://www.contractsfinder.service.gov.uk/Notice/3a32bbdd-c68c-49cf-9427-090030df1026?p=1>

Travel, conference & dissemination grants

1. Cancer Research UK

International summer school – PhD scholarships

These enable PhD students to attend the discovery and development of diagnostics for early detection of cancer summer school, held in July 2020 in Portland, US. Scholarships, worth up to USD 1,000 each, cover the cost of registration fee.

Deadline: 15-Apr-20. This call is repeated once a year.

<https://www.earlydetectioncambridge.org.uk/news-events/international-summer-school>

2. Microbiology Society

Early career microbiologists' forum event fund

This contributes to the costs of events organised by eligible ECM Forum members. Grants are worth up to £500 each.

Deadline: 08-Apr-20. Deadlines on: 8 April 2020, 30 September 2020.

<https://www.microbiologysociety.org/grants/all-grants-prizes/early-career-microbiologists-forum-event-fund.html>

3. Royal Academy of Engineering, GB

Research and innovation talent visa

This enables individuals with talent and promise in the fields of science, engineering, natural sciences, medical sciences, social sciences and humanities and the arts to live and work in the UK. The purpose is to provide a visa up to a maximum of five years that is not tied to a specific role or organisation, allowing successful applicants to have greater flexibility and mobility to undertake research in the UK.

Deadline: none. You can apply for this opportunity at any time. After applicants get their endorsement, the earliest they can apply for a visa is three months before travelling.

[https://www.raeng.org.uk/policy/partnerships/international-policy-and-development/research-and-innovation-talent-visa-\(1\)](https://www.raeng.org.uk/policy/partnerships/international-policy-and-development/research-and-innovation-talent-visa-(1))

4. Wellcome

Plant genomes in a changing environment course bursaries

This opportunity will be available soon. The next call is expected to open soon. The following information is subject to change. These bursaries enable PhD students to attend a course bringing together plant scientists to discuss recent advances in the elucidation of gene function and networks, to be held in October 2020. Bursaries cover up to 50 per cent of the registration fee.

Deadline: 09 Jul 20 (Forecast). Based on past experience, we forecast the deadline to be around July 2020. This call is repeated once a year.

<https://coursesandconferences.wellcomegenomecampus.org/our-events/plant-genomes-2019/>

5. Wellcome

Research enrichment funding – diversity and inclusion

This enables current Wellcome grant holders to increase the impact of their work in regards to diversity and inclusion. Grants are worth up to £20,000 and last until the end of the main Wellcome grant.

Deadline: 08-Apr-20. Applications due by 5pm BST. This call is repeated 2 times a year.

<https://wellcome.ac.uk/funding/schemes/research-enrichment-diversity-and-inclusion>

UEA-managed funding

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

2. 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.

<https://portal.uea.ac.uk/rin/find-funding/uea-and-uea-managed-funding/uea-academic-secondment-to-business-fund>

3. 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/uea-and-uea-managed-funding/uea-external-business-visit-fund>

4. 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/uea-and-uea-managed-funding/uea-industrial-strategy-seedcorn-fund>

5. 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/uea-and-uea-managed-funding/cpd-development-fund1>

6. 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 AI, 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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