

DRWF Open Funding 2010

PARAMETERS FOR OPEN FUNDING PROPOSALS

- The maximum funding for a DRWF grant is £30,000 over the period required to do the project, which is normally 1 year. The period could be extended further, but it would be expected that the project would be completed within 3 years.
- Each grant is normally given as a one-off payment although it would be possible to pay it in quarterly or annual divisions, if this is preferred.
- The money is for project grants and although we will support salaries, in part, these are not intended as a source of funding for PhD studentships.
- The charity favours original clinical or scientific projects and selects on original clinical or scientific merit. Pilot studies are acceptable.
- Part-funding of a larger project would be considered, given a sufficiently high clinical or scientific status to the study, allowing the possibility of repeat funding by the charity for a few years.
- It is unlikely that a sum would be awarded entirely for a piece of equipment. Equipment may, however, be included as part of an overall budget.
- Exchange Fellowships - overseas proposals will only be considered at this time if there is a clear connection or benefit to a **UK research study**.

HOW TO APPLY

A single application is required, using no more than 4 sides of A4 paper, typed in an easy-to-read font and 11 or 12 point type size.

11 (eleven) hard-copies of the application should be sent to: Open Funding Programme, DRWF, 101-102, Northney Marina, Hayling Island, Hants. PO11 0NH

An electronic copy should also be emailed to: sarah.brown@drwf.org.uk - please send as a single word document.

Proposals need to include:

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- Applicant's name, qualifications, present post and contact details; name and address of the Institution(s) where the work will be carried out; Head of Department/Institution and major participants in the project; Signed verification of funding application by Head of Department and department/institution authorities stating "I confirm that this application has been read and that, if granted, the work will be accommodated and administered in the department/institution";

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Outline of the proposed research comprising:

- Title of the proposal
- Research question
- Relevance to diabetes

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- Lay summary
- Methodology
- Expected outcome

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- Any additional information to support the application
- Amount requested (with a general breakdown of costs)
- references can be included

PLUS (Brief) CV of main applicant as a separate single sheet of A4

Open Funding grants are offered just once a year. Calls for applications are advertised in February/March. The DRWF Research Advisory Board meets in October to assess the applications. Awards are announced in November for take-up in the following year. To be considered for funding in 2010 the application **deadline is Friday, 24 July 2009.**

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