

Seed Fund Application

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Project Team Details

* indicates a required field

Purpose

This form should be used for formal application to the Western Health and University of Melbourne Innovation Acceleration Program Proof-of-Concept Fund.

Instructions

The form should be completed by a joint WH and UoM team in conjunction with a University of Melbourne Business Development staff member (BD) of Research, Innovation and Commercialisation (RIC).

Complete all sections shaded in grey, keeping to the word limit as directed. Documents may be attached to the application (in PDF format) if further detail is required, and should be referred to by title.

The form should not be submitted unless the applicant can truly answer "Yes" or not Applicable ("NA") to all eligibility criteria in the Eligibility Section.

Applicant Details - Lead UoM Researcher

Name

Title	First Name	Last Name
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

Which academic division are you from?

- Architecture Building & Planning
- Arts
- Business & Economics
- Melbourne Graduate School of Education
- Melbourne School of Engineering
- Fine Arts and Music
- Melbourne Law School
- Medicine, Dentistry & Health Sciences
- Science
- Veterinary & Agricultural Sciences
- Other:

Which School, Department or Centre are you from?

- | | |
|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> ABP - Melbourne School of Design | <input type="checkbox"/> MLS - Melbourne School of Government |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ARTS - Graduate School of Humanities and Social Sciences | <input type="checkbox"/> MDHS - Melbourne Dental School |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ARTS - Asia Institute | <input type="checkbox"/> MDHS - Melbourne Medical School |

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- ARTS - Culture and Communication
- ARTS - Historical and Philosophical Studies
- ARTS - Languages and Linguistics
- ARTS - Social and Political Sciences
- FBE - Accounting
- FBE - Economics
- FBE - Finance
- FBE - Management and Marketing
- FBE - Centre for Actuarial Studies
- FBE - Melbourne Institute
- MGSE - Melbourne Graduate School of Education
- MSE - Computing and Information Systems Engineering
- MSE - Chemical and Biomedical Engineering
- MSE - Electrical, Mechanical and Infrastructure Engineering
- FAM - Victorian College of the Arts
- FAM - Melbourne Conservatorium of Music
- MLS - Melbourne Law School
- MDHS - Melbourne School of Health Sciences
- MDHS - Melbourne School of Population and Global Health
- MDHS - Melbourne School of Psychological Sciences
- MDHS - Biomedical Sciences
- MDHS - Institutes, Centres and Departments
- SCI - Biosciences
- SCI - Chemistry
- SCI - Earth Sciences
- SCI - Ecosystem and Forest Sciences
- SCI - Geography
- SCI - Mathematics and Statistics
- SCI - Physics
- FVAS - Veterinary Sciences
- FVAS - Agriculture and Food Systems
- FVAS - Melbourne Veterinary School
- Other:

Email

Must be an email address.

Mobile Phone Number

Must be an Australian phone number.

Applicant Details - Lead WH Staff Member

Name

Title	First Name	Last Name
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

WH Department

Email

Must be an email address.

Mobile Phone Number

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Must be an Australian phone number.

Project Team

List any additional UoM or WH project team members (including staff, students and honoraries) to be involved in the project.

Name			UoM/WH
Title	First Name	Last Name	
Title	First Name	Last Name	
Title	First Name	Last Name	
Title	First Name	Last Name	
Title	First Name	Last Name	

Further Project Details

Technology Title

Tech ID (if available)

Development Partners (if applicable)

Where co-developing with another research institution other than UoM and Western Health

UoM RIC Technology Manager

WH Contact (if available)

ie. Ethics officer, research office,

Funding Requested (\$10 - 100k)

Must be a dollar amount.

Other opportunities *

If unsuccessful in my application I am willing for my application to be considered for other commercialisation opportunities pursued by the University of Melbourne

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Eligibility Criteria

Please confirm the following and attach supporting documentation where necessary:

Applicants are currently employed by Western Health or the University of Melbourne

Yes No N/A

Are all creators/inventors (in UoM, WH and anywhere else) willing and able to assign IP assignments if application successful?

Yes No N/A

If a co-development with another institution, Western Health and UoM to hold at least 66% of IP ownership.

Yes No N/A

It is a novel product, process or service that you wish to commercialise.

Yes No N/A

For WH staff, have you discussed this with your manager and do they endorse this submission?

Yes No N/A

IP assessment

Have there been any external (other than WH and UoM) contributions, or funding committed to the proposed solution?

Yes No N/A

Will there be a need for any external contributions in order to deliver the Execution Plan (as outlined below)?

Yes No N/A

Will any existing IP rights (UoM or WH) be contributed to the development of the proposed solution?

Yes No N/A

If existing IP rights are required, have these been disclosed to WH or UoM as appropriate?

Yes No N/A

There are no obvious Intellectual Property "Freedom to Operate" issues that may impact on the commercialisation of the solution?

Yes No N/A

Are there any existing intellectual property underpinning this project and UoM or WH's ownership and commercial rights (eg. any patent applications or granted patents)?

Yes No N/A

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IP Strenght

Word count:

Must be no more than 200 words.

If relevant, describe and outline the status of any existing intellectual property underpinning this project and UoM or WH's ownership and commercial rights (eg. any patent applications or granted patents). If known, set out an appropriate patent protection strategy for this solution. Alternatively, explain why patent protection is not essential or necessary to ensure others can't replicate the value proposition.

Use of Funds

Confirm that funds will be used for one or more of the following

Prototype development and/or validation

Yes N/A

Technology scale-up and/or validation studies

Yes N/A

In vivo proof-of-concept studies in relevant disease models for therapeutic opportunities

Yes N/A

Software coding and documentation to enable field trials or alpha/beta testing

Yes N/A

External advice on IP, market, business planning, technical and/or competitive analysis to support the commercial potential of the opportunity

Yes

If the use of funds is not fully classified as above, please describe:

Word count:

Must be no more than 100 words.

Project Content Details

Description of the Solution

Describe the Technology/ Product, its function or mechanism of action and current stage of development.

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Describe how research undertaken thus far supports the underlying concept, and why the activity to be funded is the logical next step and intrinsic to “proof of concept”.

Word count:

Must be no more than 200 words.

Merit

The following will help assess the relative merit of your application.

Hint: [NHMRC Research Impact Definition](#)

Application / Value Proposition (define impact of solution):

Word count:

Must be no more than 200 words.

Describe the commercial application(s) of the solution. What alternatives/options do your intended customers currently have? Explain how the technology will have a significant technical and/or commercial advantages over existing technologies and/or fulfils an unmet need. Describe the level of commercial interest in the technology. Describe any of relationships you have developed with potential commercial partners. Attach any letters of support/endorsements from independent commercial parties(Attachment B).

Addressable Market:

Word count:

Must be no more than 200 words.

What’s the customer problem you’ve solved and/or what market demand does your Technology/Product satisfy? Who are your intended customers/customer segments? What’s the estimated size of the market? How does the technology sit within existing or potential regulatory frameworks?

Who is the next Funder/Commercial Partner?

Word count:

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Describe the commercialisation pathway for the technology. How will the project be taken forward post POC Fund support? Attach the most recent business plan for the technology / venture, if available.

Team and Management Capability

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Word count:

Must be no more than 200 words.

Describe the relevant competency and experience of the research team to the technology application. Describe any available commercial experience or competency. Attach one page CVs of key personnel only if available (Attachment A)

Team Benefits

Word count:

Must be no more than 200 words.

Describe how the project has application or societal benefits outside of Western Health in Australia, and globally.

BD Comments & Recommendations

To be completed by RIC BD

Describe the relative strengths and weaknesses of this application. Why is this application recommended for funding?

Project Planning

The following describes the proposed project / use of funds.

Project Objective - Detail the key objective/s of the project.

Word count:

Must be no more than 100 words.

General Description - Provide a general description of the work to be undertaken

Word count:

Must be no more than 300 words.

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Identify the skills and resources required / Indicate who will do the work and where work will be out-sourced or sub-contracted.

Project Timetable & Funding

Milestone	Project Deliverable	Seed Fund Required	Planned Start Date	Planned End Date
Must be a number.	Must be no more than 50 words.	Must be a dollar amount.	Must be a date.	Must be a date.
		\$		

Total Seed Fund Required

\$

This number/amount is calculated.
The total amount of funding requested in this submission.

Use of Fund

*please refer carefully to scheme rules on what can and cannot be claimed.

Labour (employed by UoM or WH)*

List the staff

Must be a dollar amount.	

Labour (Outsourced)*

List suppliers

Must be a dollar amount.	
\$	

Equipment Purchase (must be specific use)

Describe equipment

Must be a dollar amount.	
\$	

Equipment Hire

Describe equipment

Must be a dollar amount.	
\$	

Consumables

List Consumables

Must be a dollar amount.	
\$	

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Other cost items

Must be a dollar amount.
\$

List major suppliers

Total Fund to be Used

\$

This number/amount is calculated.
The total amount of funding allocated for this submission.

Signing Page

I/We the undersigned sincerely believe that all information provided in this application is accurate and truthful to the extent of my/our understanding.

Date

Must be a date.

Lead Applicant (UoM)

Title	First Name	Last Name

E-Signature

Attach a file:

Lead Applicant (Western Health)

Title	First Name	Last Name

E-Signature

Attach a file:

Attachment

Attachment A: One page CV(s) of Key Personnel

Attach a file:

Combine pdfs to one file for upload

Attachment B: Please attach any letters of support/endorsements from independent commercial parties

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End of Application

Please take your time to go over and revise your answers before you submit.

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Once you have submitted, SmartyGrants will send you a PDF of the final application.

Please submit the PDF into the Themis Submissions Workbench in order to obtain your Head of Department's approval.