

Funding Opportunity Announcement: Wellcome Career Development Awards

The [Wellcome Career Development](#) Awards scheme is soliciting applications from mid-career researchers from any discipline who have the potential to be international research leaders. They will develop their research capabilities, drive innovative programmes of work, and deliver significant shifts in understanding that could improve human life, health, and wellbeing.

Research proposals may be in any discipline - including science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM), experimental medicine, humanities and social science, clinical/allied health sciences, and public health - as long as it has the potential to improve human life, health and wellbeing, and aligns with the Wellcome Trust's [funding remit](#).

Eligibility

This call is open to mid-career researchers who are already driving their own research and who:

- Have completed one/two substantial periods of research after their initial training.
- May have been appointed to their first permanent, open-ended or long-term rolling contract within the last 3 years.
- Please review the [Wellcome's Eligibility and Suitability](#) criteria to confirm your individual eligibility.

Award details:

- Grants are available for up to eight years and applicants may request salary (if required) and the resources required for their research programme.
- More information regarding allowable and non-allowable costs can be found [here](#).

Deadlines & submission process:

This proposal requires the PI to complete an online application on the funder portal ([Grant Tracker](#)) as well as requesting institutional approval via UCT's electronic Research Administration ([eRA](#)) system, prior to submission of the application.

Important: The call has 3 submission rounds per year, with deadlines in April, July & November.

	November round
PI to initiate an eRA proposal approval request and contact the Departmental Finance Officer no later than	15 October
PI to submit an eRA proposal approval request to the Finance Approver step on eRA no later than	12 November
PI to submit the application on Grant Tracker no later than	19 November
RC&I to action final submission on Grant Tracker no later than	26 November 2024
Funder Deadline	26 November 2024

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Please complete this [intention-to-submit form](#) if you intend applying for this call. Please note that completion of this form is for the purposes of internal support and tracking, it is not linked to funder application processes and does not commit you to applying to this opportunity.

For any further queries, please contact the [Faculty Research Office](#).