Funding Opportunity Announcement: Wellcome Early-Career Awards

The Wellcome Trust have launched three new discovery research funding schemes in line with their new strategy. The Wellcome Early-Career Awards scheme is soliciting applications from early-career researchers from any discipline who are ready to develop their research identity. Through innovative projects, they will deliver shifts in understanding that could improve human life, health and wellbeing. By the end of the award, successful candidates will be equipped to lead their own independent research programme.

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:

The call is open to early-career researchers who:

- Hold a PhD/ have completed four years' equivalent research experience; and
- Are ready to design, plan, and deliver their own innovative project that aims to:
 - o Advance understanding in their field, and/or
 - Develop methodologies, conceptual frameworks, tools, or techniques that could benefit health-related research.

Award details:

• Grants are available for up to five years and applicants may request salary and up to £400,000 for research expenses.

Deadlines & submission process:

- Contact your Departmental Finance Officer (Budget Reviewer) no later than Monday, 4
 October 2021
- eRA Finance Approver deadline: Thursday, 14 October 2021
- RC&I deadline: Tuesday, 19 October 2021
- Funder due date: Tuesday, 26 October 2021 (final submission via Grant Tracker)

At the date of this notice compilation, the application portal was not yet opened. Please visit the <u>funding announcement page</u> for details about this opportunity and updates regarding the application process.

Watch a recording of the webinar that took place on Monday, 12 April 2021.

Please complete this FHS <u>intention-to-submit form</u> by 6 September 2021 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.