2023 Research Grant Round

Expression of Interest Form

Post-Doctoral Fellowship

Scope

We will consider any research grant application that is relevant to cancer. Applications peripheral to cancer research should not be submitted.

This expression of interest form should be used for researchers applying for a post-doctoral fellowship. Note, there are separate application forms for the research project grant/grant in aid/McClelland Trust award and PhD scholarships which are available on the Cancer Society website.

Eligibility

Post-Doctoral Fellowships are for applicants within six years of gaining their research degree (excluding parental leave), in line with the Health Research Council Emerging Researcher criteria.

Grant applications will be considered from any person who holds a PhD, as long as the applicant is a resident in New Zealand or intends to become a resident.

How to apply

Please refer to the Expression of Interest guidelines document for Post-Doctoral Fellowships, complete this application form and email it as a PDF to [research@cancer.org.nz](mailto:admin@cancer.org.nz) by **12 pm on 1 March 2023**. Late applications will not be accepted.

Contact details

Please contact the Cancer Society’s National Advisor: Research Programme & Policy, Dr. Nicole Stanton, with any questions during the grant application process at [research@cancer.org.nz](mailto:research@cancer.org.nz) or 021 915 975.

Section 1 – General Summary

Please delete all instructions before submitting your application.

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| Applicant | |
| Surname |  |
| First name & initial/s |  |
| Iwi and hapū affiliations |  |
| Title |  |
| Position |  |
| % FTE |  |
| Department |  |
| Mailing Address |  |
| Email Address |  |
| Work Phone Number(s) |  |

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| Supervisor/Mentor | |
| Surname |  |
| First name & initial/s |  |
| Title |  |
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| Host institution administering the grant  The Host Institution is the University, Hospital or other institution which undertakes to provide facilities and accept overall responsibility for the conduct of the research and the administration of any funds awarded. For example, those applicants from the Department of Medicine at the University of Otago Wellington (UOW), the Host Institution is the University of Otago. The Host Institution employs the personnel involved. Please provide the research office email address, which will be used for correspondence relating to this grant application. | |
| Name |  |
| Address |  |
| Research office email address |  |
| School and department where the research is to be undertaken  Please include the name of the institution and the postal address where the applicant will be carrying out the majority of their research. | |
| Name |  |
| Address |  |

**grant DETAILS**

Research title:

The title must be no more than 80 characters and must differ from previously supported projects.

Proposed commencement date:

In general, grants will run from February 1. Any variation from this date must be specifically requested here. The Cancer Society expects that successful grant applicants will commence their research within three months from the date of commencement of the budget given in the letter of notification.

Proposed duration of the research project (months):

The maximum duration of a postdoctoral fellowship is 36 months.

Date of application:

**Lay summary of research**

The lay summary should be intelligible to an informed lay audience with no specific knowledge of cancer research and should explain the relevance to cancer. The Cancer Society recommends writing lay summaries at the **reading age of twelve years old** (maximum 150 words).

## Section 2 – Research classification

Please tick the research area(s) your application fits into. This will help the Cancer Society analyse the types of grants we receive and fund.

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| Tumour biology  Tumour microenvironment  Stem cells  Drug discovery  Cancer genetics  Cancer genomics  Immunology  Clinical trials  Biomarkers  Diagnostics  Imaging research  Animal models  Migration, invasion and metastasis  Cell transformation and oncogenesis  Cancer treatment  Other \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ | Cancer and infection  Methodology research  Prevention  Epidemiology  Early diagnosis  Screening  Education and communication research  Psychosocial research  Population health  Health economics  Supportive care  Public health interventions  Health systems research  Behavioural and lifestyle interventions |

## Section 3 – Applicant information

1. **Curriculum Vitae**

Rows and columns may be expanded or reduced, but a CV must be no more than five pages.

**PART 1**

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| **Personal details** | | | | | | | |
| Full name | *Title* | *First name* | | *Second name(s)* | | | *Family name* |
| Present position |  | | | | | | |
| Organisation/Employer |  | | | | | | |
| Contact Address |  | | | | | | |
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| Work telephone |  | | | | Mobile |  | |
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| Personal website (if any) | http:// | | | | | | |

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| **Academic qualifications** |

List in reverse date order. Start each qualification on a new line as per the example:

e.g. Year conferred, qualification, discipline, university/institute.

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| **Professional positions held** |

List in reverse date order. Start each position on a new line as per the example:

e.g. Year-year, job title, organisation.

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| **Present research/professional speciality** |

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| **Total years research experience** | years |

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| **Professional distinctions and memberships (including honours, prizes, scholarships, boards or governance roles, etc)** |

List in reverse date order. Start each professional distinction on a new line as per the example:

e.g. Year / year-year, distinction.

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| **Total number of peer reviewed publications and patents** | Journal **articles** | Books, book **chapters**, books edited | **Conference proceedings** | **Patents** |
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Part 2 should include information pertinent to your research proposal*.*

**PART 2**

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| **Research publications and dissemination** |

Expand/reduce the following table as needed, listing publications relevant to your proposal. List in reverse date order. **Bold** your name in lists of authors.

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| Peer-reviewed journal articles |
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| Peer reviewed books, book chapters, books edited |
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| Refereed conference proceedings |
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| Patents |
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| Other forms of dissemination (reports for clients, technical reports, popular press, etc) |
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1. **Career Plans, Training Environment & Support**

The page limit for this section is **one page.**

* 1. **Career plans**

Describe your background and potential, specifically how this grant will support your career plans. Include a personal statement as to why you have applied for this grant.

* 1. **Training environment & support**

Provide details about the training environment you will be in and the support you expect to have there. Provide reasons for your selection of this environment- this could include evidence of mentoring and evidence that your proposed training environment will support your research.

## Section 4 – Proposed research plan

This section should be typed using no smaller than Arial 10pt font with single spacing. The page limit is **one page** (without references). This page limit will be strictly enforced and applications exceeding this will not be accepted. The following headings should be used as a guide for completion of this section.

1. **Aims and objectives**

The research aims and objectives should be clearly outlined.

1. **Rationale**

In addition to relevant work by applicants and other workers, further information essential for the assessment of the application is to be included.

1. **Research design**

Include goals and specific objectives, research hypothesis, methodological detail, and sampling characteristics (including gender and ethnicity where relevant) and proposed methods of data analysis.

1. **References**

Details must include a full list of all author(s), title of article, journal, year, volume and page numbers. Asterisks are to be placed beside applicant's publications. If references are multi-authored, there is discretion to limit the author list to a more convenient number to fit any space limitations.

## Section 5 – Research Impact

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1. **Equity**

Clear identification how the research will contribute to equitable cancer outcomes across the continuum for New Zealanders (such as geography, ethnicity, socio economic status, and gender, where applicable). You may want to refer to the Cancer Society’s [Equity Charter](https://www.cancer.org.nz/about-us/who-we-are/equity-charter/) to complete this section.

1. **Te Tiriti o Waitangi**

The proposal should demonstrate application of Te Tiriti o Waitangi and a commitment to responsiveness to Māori. Please consider:

How might your research contribute to the health aspirations of Māori?

What is the health significance and context of this research to Māori?

Have you sought advice for the study from a Māori perspective?

1. **Contribution to the goals of the Cancer Society**

Applicants should comment on how their proposed research fits into the perspective of the overall research field and on the international competitiveness of their research. They should also comment on how the proposed research will add value and contribute to the goals of the Cancer Society. You may want to refer to the Cancer Society’s [Strategic Plan](https://www.cancer.org.nz/about-us/who-we-are/strategic-plan/) to complete this section.