Investigating the mechanisms to prevent hypersensitivities to food

Opportunity status: Open

Funders: Biotechnology and Biological Sciences Research Council (BBSRC), Medical Research Council (MRC)

Co-funders: Food Standards Agency (FSA) and 12 international funders through the Joint Programming Initiative on A Healthy Diet for a Healthy Life (JPI HDHL)

Funding type: Grant

Total fund: £1,250,000

Award range: £100,000 - £250,000

Publication date: 17 February 2021

Opening date: 2 February 2021

Closing date: 8 April 2021 15:00 UK time

Last updated: 17 February 2021

See full opportunity details on the JPI HDHL website.

Apply for funding to reduce and prevent food hypersensitivities.

UK-based researchers must apply as part of a transnational consortium of three to six partners.

Projects should focus on one of the following:

- understanding the mechanisms that induce or prevent food intolerances and allergies
- improving methods to determine or detect adverse reactions
- the impact of food ingredients and food processing.

The UK part of the project must be within BBSRC, MRC or FSA’s remit.
Funding is available for up to three years. We will fund four to five projects.

Who can apply

Standard BBSRC and MRC eligibility criteria will be applied to the UK components of project applications.

PhD students, or items of equipment over £10,000, will not funded by BBSRC, MRC or FSA as part of this call.

What we're looking for

The UK component of applications should be costed in GBP on the basis of full economic costs (fEC). If the grant is awarded, funding will be provided on the basis of 80% of fEC as per standard BBSRC/MRC terms and conditions. The submitting organisation(s) must agree to fund the balance of fEC for the project from other resources. The 20% contribution from submitting organisations should be recorded as an “in cash contribution”.

UK costs should be entered on the transnational application in Euros at an exchange rate of £1 = €1.14. The requested funding must be equivalent to the 80% that will be requested from research council funding.

Applicants should include a statement (in the application form) to confirm the exchange rate used, and that the requested costs are entered at the 80% fEC level on the application form. This statement should also confirm the amount requested in GBP.

Please refer to the additional UK budget guidance (PDF, 51KB) for information on how to complete the financial tables in the application form.

How to apply

Step one: read the full opportunity details

This opportunity is available through the JPI HDHL.

Before you prepare an application, please read the full opportunity details on the JPI HDHL website.
Step two: set up your consortium

You must apply as part of a transnational consortium of three to six partners.

Find full consortium criteria in the full opportunity details on the JPI HDHL website.

Find project partners using the FOOD HYPERSENS partnership forum provided by the JPI HDHL.

Potential applicants are strongly advised to contact the BBSRC, MRC, or FSA (using contact details below) in advance of making an application to check eligibility and remit criteria.

Step three: submit your proposal

You must apply through the JPI HDHL submission platform using the template provided.

You can access this through the full opportunity details on the JPI HDHL website.

The proposal deadline is 8 April 2021 17:00 CEST (15:00 GMT).

Funding decisions will be made in October 2021.

Step four: record your successful application

If your application is chosen for funding, you’ll be asked to submit your application in the Joint Electronic Submission system (Je-S).

This is so UKRI can administer your funding through Je-S. Your application will not be reassessed.

This must be done by the end of December 2021.

Contact details

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Additional info

Supporting documents

UK national annex (PDF, 35KB)
Additional UK budget guidance (PDF, 51KB)

Timeline

- 2 February 2021
  Opening date

- 8 April 2021 15:00
  Closing date

- September 2021
  Panel review

- October 2021
  Final funding decisions

- November 2021 to December 2021
  Record successful applications in Je-S

- January 2022 to March 2022
  Project start date

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