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# UK-Canada Sustainable Critical Mineral Partnerships funding opportunity

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# UK opportunity - funding overview

We will fund up to five partnership projects

## Who?

UK researchers collaborating with a Canadian research partner funded through NSERC Alliance Missions critical minerals grants



## How long?

UK grants must start by 1st May 2025 and last for 2 years

## How much?

Up to £240k at 100% FEC per project (NSERC will fund 80% FEC)

NSERC will provide \$50k CAD to Canadian research partners



# UK applicant eligibility

- Open to research groups and individuals. Use the links in the funding opportunity to check your eligibility for UKRI funding
- UK researchers can be involved in up to 2 applications; they can only be project lead on one application
- UK projects must collaborate with a Canadian research partner funded through NSERC Alliance Missions critical minerals grants
- UK applicants and Canadian research partners must comply with [UKRI principles of trusted research and innovation](#) and Government of Canada's [STRAC policy](#)
- No associated studentships can be requested under this call





# How to apply

- The UK project lead must complete the application process on UKRI Funding Service (TFS)
- You should answer the application questions directly in the text boxes
- Applications should be co-developed with the Canadian research partner and must include a letter of support from the Canadian research partner
- You must submit your application by 03 October 2024 4:00 pm UK time



# Assessment process

- Applications will be assessed by expert panel, against the following criteria
  - vision
  - approach
  - applicants and team capability to deliver
  - ethics and responsible research and innovation



# Next steps

Sign up to our  
networking  
community on  
[Guild](#)



Ensure you have  
watched Videos 1 & 2  
for background of the  
call and NSERC  
Alliance Mission grants



Watch video 4 on  
Canadian research  
partner instructions



Panel assessment: Dec  
2024  
Outcomes announced:  
by Feb 2025  
Grants start: by 1 May  
2025



Submit your  
application by  
**03 October  
2024**



Attend the **virtual  
networking  
workshop** on 10<sup>th</sup>  
June



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# Thank you

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