

Call for applications: Wellcome Early-Career Awards – October 2022 Round

URL: <https://wellcome.org/grant-funding/schemes/early-career-awards>

Keywords: early career investigators, LMICs, any discipline – including science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM), experimental medicine, humanities and social science, clinical/allied health sciences, and public health

Funding amount and duration of funding: Salary and maximum £400,000 for research expenses over 5 years

Funder deadline: 18 October 2022, 17:00 GMT

UCT Intention to submit deadline: In order to receive institutional support, please complete an [intention-to-submit form](#) by 6 September 2022

UCT Internal deadlines: Approval via UCT's electronic Research Administration (eRA) system is **required** prior to submission to the funder. Applicants should:

- Complete the Intention to submit form and inform their faculty finance/budget reviewers by no later than **6 September 2022**
- eRA Internal Approvals forms should reach the Finance Approver step by no later than **4 October 2022**
- Faculty approved eRA forms must reach RC&I by **11 October 2022**

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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, awardees 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](#).

Award details:

- Grants are available for up to five years, but this may be less for some disciplines, and longer if held on a part-time basis.
- Applicants may request salary and up to £400,000 for research expenses.
- Please visit [the funding announcement page](#) for details about this opportunity and updates regarding the application process.
- A recorded webinar related to the new funding schemes supported by Wellcome can be [accessed here](#).

Eligibility

The call is open to early-career researchers who:

- Hold a PhD or have completed four years' equivalent research experience
- May have some postdoctoral experience but generally no more than 3 years
- Are ready to design, plan, and deliver their own innovative project that aims to:
 - Advance understanding in their field, and/or
 - Develop methodologies, conceptual frameworks, tools, or techniques that could benefit health-related research.

How to apply and key dates

- UCT internal requirements
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