**MAHSC & Health Innovation Manchester (HInM)**

**Cardiovascular Research Domain Award**

**Background**

The Manchester Academic Health Science Centre (MAHSC) Cardiovascular Research Domain, part of Health Innovation Manchester (HInM), are offering the opportunity to apply for supportive funding to pump prime new projects or to progress existing projects in cardiovascular research in the Greater Manchester area.

**Awards Available**

This award is designed to enable researchers to access the necessary technical equipment, expertise, consumables, the ability to generate pilot data, access to specific software, programming expertise, research models, regulatory advice, training that will enable them to overcome a bottleneck to allow their research project to progress to the next level. This list is not exhaustive and other well-justified methods to overcome challenges will be considered.

Research projects should be aligned to cardiovascular research that may include, but are not limited to, studies to develop pilot data for external grant applications in cardiovascular health; projects to develop new technologies or biomarkers to diagnose and treat cardiovascular disease; projects to better understand mechanisms in cardiovascular disease; purchase of a piece of equipment to enable cardiovascular research.

**Grant Duration**

Awards should be spent by the end of 2024.

**Guidance**

The PI and team should be working in an established research/academic institution or NHS in the GM Area.

**Application Process**

* Applications must have the approval of the applicant’s Clinical Director or Head of Research Centre in your department.
* Bids should be around £5,000 per application but applicants are encouraged to apply for the funds that they need, since this will open up the opportunity for more awards to be made. Applications of more than £5,000 will be considered by the review panel under exceptional circumstances and will need to be clearly justified against deliverables/outcomes.
* Applications considering solely staff costs are unlikely to be suitable for this current funding call.
* We envisage funding will be available from the end of August 2024 with a view to the funds being spent by December 2024.
* Applications should be made on the form on Pages 2-3 and be submitted by Friday 16th August 2024 as an email attachment, to MAHSC@healthinnovationmanchester.com, or peter.mellor@healthinnovationmanchester.com
* A decision will be shared with applicants in September 2024.

**Selection Process**

Selection of projects will be made by the Cardiovascular Domain Selection Committee using the following criteria:

* Quality of the proposal
* Collaboration across the Greater Manchester area
* Potential for ongoing impacts beyond the spending period
* Potential for scientific contribution, clinical impact and patient benefit

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**Application Form**

**Your details**

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| **Name:** |
| **Lead Applicant:**  |
| **Institution:** |
| **Contact details:** |
| **Co-applicants/Host Institutions/role in the project**  |
| **Estimated duration for project** |
| **Summary of Project Costs (Please provide an overview of the budget and a justification of how you will use it, including clear milestones and deliverables)** |
| **Name and contact of Clinical Director/Head of Research/ Clinical Collaborator approval:** [ ] **I confirm I have received appropriate approvals and costings from my R&I department or research support manager** |

**Information on the grant application/project that the award will fund**

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| **Project title: (max 30 words)** |
| **Project aims and objectives (250 words)** |
| **Summary of proposed research: (please include a project timeline and a GANTT chart/table as an appendix (750-1000 words)** |
| **What is the specific hurdle or bottleneck or expertise that you need to overcome to progress your project and how will this funding help you to achieve that. Please summarise with a sentence and expand.****(Maximum 200 words)** |
| **Expected outcomes (250 words)** |
| **What are the key milestones, including timelines, and how will you demonstrate they have been met? (refer to your Gantt chart as appropriate)****(Maximum 150 words)** |
| **Potential Impact of this Work (250 words)** |
| **External Funding Plan for follow on work (***Please provide a clear plan since this project should lead to submissions for external funding to continue this work).* |
| **Who are your future collaborators and mentors?** |

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