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GUIDELINES

Deadline: Monday 11 May 2015

The British Pain Society invites proposals for the Clulow research grant 2015 competition. A grant of up to £50,000 will be awarded for a research proposal which may be in any field of pain research. The funds may be awarded for a variety of purposes in support of a research project (e.g. small project grant, salary support, capital equipment purchase, running costs or additional funding to an existing grant). However, should a proposal request a proportion of the total costs of a research project then, in the event of an award, funds cannot be released until funds covering the full costs of the project are in place. Applications will be peer reviewed and a decision made by the British Pain Society Science and Research Committee by the end of 2015.

Application forms and grant conditions can be downloaded from the British Pain Society website http://www.britishpainsociety.org/members_grants.htm. Applications will not be accepted without a completed application form.

Applications (1 hard copy accompanied by an electronic version on CD) should be sent to:

2013 Clulow Research Grant
The British Pain Society
Third Floor
Churchill House
35 Red Lion Square
London
WC1R 4SG

The closing date is Monday 11 May 2015. Applications will not be accepted after this date.

FULL ECONOMIC COSTING

Applicants should note that in accordance with the Association of Medical Research Charities, to which the British Pain Society belongs, grants awarded by the Society will not fund the full economic costs of research (fECs), or a proportion of these. Applicant may read the AMRC statement at <http://www.amrc.org.uk/>

ELIGIBILITY

- The applicant must be a current, ordinary member of the British Pain Society, in good standing, and have been a member for a minimum of 6 months.
- The subject of the research must be within the field of pain
- The research must be undertaken in the UK

APPLICATION

- The applicant must complete the 2015 Clulow Research Grant application form below. The application form should be accompanied by the annexes (A-E) as detailed below:

- **Annex A:** a 100-word abstract of the proposed research
- **Annex B:** a 100-word abstract of the proposed research, capable of being understood by a member of the general public with no scientific or medical training
- **Annex C:** a letter of support from the applicant's supervisor, Clinical Director or academic Head of Department indicating that the necessary resources required to prosecute the proposed work will be made available.
- **Annex D:** a CV (including full list of publications) and a list of grants currently held and held within the last 5 years
- **Annex E:** an outline of the proposed research (maximum of 2,000 words). The outline should include information under the following headings:
 - title
 - aims
 - hypothesis to be tested/research question
 - background and justification, properly referenced
 - a statement of the topic's importance to, relevance to and expected impact on the understanding or management of pain
 - methods (including a statistical power calculation of the number of animals, subjects or patients required, where appropriate)
 - an estimated timetable to complete the work
 - justification of resources requested
 - additional comments/appendices
 - a statement indicating whether the proposed research is likely to lead to any patentable or commercially exploitable results must accompany the application. If so, a brief comment as to the nature of this should be included.
 - a complete list of the resources required and costing for the research project approved by the institution which will be responsible for administration of the grant (e.g. hospital or university) and who must agree to comply with the research grant conditions. Part funding: If some resources are to be requested from another body then confirmation of such funded must be provided before funds will be released by The British Pain Society.
 - evidence must be submitted of ethical committee approval for research involving human volunteers or patients
 - evidence must be submitted of Home Office personal and project licences for projects which involve experiments on laboratory animals. If animals are to be used then a justification statement must accompany the application confirming:

- why the use of animals is necessary?
- are there any other possible approaches which have been considered and are feasible which would not involve the use of animals? If so why such approaches are not being used instead of animals.
- is the species to be used the most appropriate?
- that the principles of replacement, refinement and reduction have been considered.
- that the International Association for the Study of Pain Ethical Guidelines for Investigations of Experimental Pain in Conscious Animals have been read and will be adhered to. (Pain 1983;16:109-110 (www.iasp-pain.org/ethics-a.html))

DECISION

- Applications will be evaluated by peer review.
- A British Pain Society sub-committee will assess the peer review and will submit their recommendation for approval at the December 2015 Council meeting.
- Funding will be forwarded to the institution who employs the successful applicant, in stages, according to each project and on submission of relevant expense receipts
- The British Pain Society is a member of the Association of Medical Research Charities (AMRC). All AMRC members support the AMRC [position statement](#) on the use of animals in research
- Clinical Research funded by the BPS may be eligible for NIHR portfolio adoption.

PROGRESS REPORTS AND PRESENTATION OF RESEARCH

The institution for which the successful applicant works will be expected to submit an interim report, 6 months after the Award and a further progress report, 12 months after the Award. It is expected that the result of the research will be presented at the Annual Scientific Meeting (within two years of receipt of the Award).



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APPLICATION FORM**

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Any British Pain Society member requesting funding for a research project into the causes and alleviation of pain, should complete and return this form.

Section A: Personal Details of Principal Applicant (this page may photocopied if there are co-applicants)

British Pain Society Membership No:

Title.....First names

Surname

Degrees/Qualifications:

Contact Address:

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Tel:

Fax:

Email:

Institution Name/place of work (if different from above).....

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Current posts:

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Section B: Details of research project

Title of proposed research project.....
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Estimated cost to complete project e.g. computer software, equipment, salary cost, consumables, data entry

1. £
2. £
3. £
4. £

Other sources of support available or applied for this research including amount:

1. £
2. £
3. £
4. £

Start date.....

Duration (months).....

SECTION C: Attachments

Please see guidelines below for full details of Annex A-E.

Annex A (100-word abstract)
Annex B (100-word abstract – general public)
Annex C (Letter of support)
Annex D (CV)
Annex E (Outline of proposed research - max 2,000 words)