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Internal funding

**KE Seed Fund (deadline: 15 October 2018)**

The KE Seed Fund provides start-up funding to support innovative knowledge exchange projects. Projects are typically exploratory, new or early stage activities, to work with external parties. Up to £5k is available per project. The deadline for applications is **noon on Monday 15 October**

> More details

**Public Engagement with Research Seed Fund (deadline: 15 October 2018)**

Applications are welcome from researchers that are new to, or experienced in, public engagement with research. Funds (typically £2k to £4k) can be requested to pilot a new project or enhance an existing activity. Closing date: **Monday 15 October**. In addition to funding, all awardees will be offered the opportunity to take part in an evaluation workshop.
Medical and Life Sciences Translational Fund (MLSTF)  
(deadline: 29 October 2018)

The MLSTF funds researchers to accelerate the transition from discovery research to translational development projects by supporting preliminary work or feasibility studies to establish the viability of an approach. The deadline for applications is noon on Monday 29 October.

OX-BER Research Partnership Seed Grants (deadline: 31 October 2018)

The OX/BER Research Partnership is seeking to support new and innovative research projects in their efforts to generate third-party funding. Projects must involve partners from both Oxford and Berlin, with the aim of creating additional areas of joint activity between faculty members. The deadline for applications is Wednesday 31 October.

Competitions and awards

The Public Engagement Lab: develop collaborative projects  
(deadline: 28 September 2018)

Twelve researchers will be given the opportunity to collaborate with the University’s museums and libraries to create innovative, high-quality engagement projects, with a chance to pitch for a share of £40,000 to bring them to life. The deadline for applications is 5pm on Friday 28 September.
Policy, processes and resources

Research data management induction resources

A new version of Research Data Oxford’s induction resources is available. The resources are suitable for use at induction sessions and similar events for new researchers. Members of the Research Data Oxford team are also available to present or run customised training events: email researchdata@ox.ac.uk to discuss.

> More details

Open access: 20,000th article deposited for Act on Acceptance

Open Access at Oxford reached a new milestone this summer with the deposit of the 20,000th journal article for Act on Acceptance in the University’s institutional repository, ORA, since April 2016.

> More details

New on Funding Insight: EPSRC New Investigator Awards, Catapult Researchers in Residence, and how to make a successful GCRF bid on a tight deadline

Recent Funding Insight articles on Research Professional include:

• Marloes Peeters, a senior lecturer at Manchester Metropolitan University, on winning an EPSRC New Investigator Award
• Nafeesa Dajda, head of partnerships and engagement at the Satellite Applications Catapult, on the Catapult network’s Researchers in Residence scheme
• Heidi Stöckl of the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine on putting together a successful GCRF multi-partner bid in just a month
Funder news

EC/Horizon 2020 news, Brexit round-up, consultations, events and deadlines: see Oxford Gateway to Europe

For any EC, FP7 and Horizon 2020-related news/consultations, events and deadlines, including factsheets specifically aimed at Oxford researchers and research support staff, please see the Oxford Gateway to Europe website. The website is also regularly updated with the latest about Brexit.

NIH: fixed amount award definition and implementation for clinical trials

The NIH has issued clarification of the definition of fixed amount sub-awards, specifically regarding their use in clinical trials and other types of human subject studies.

> More details

NIH: consultation on protocol template for clinical trials

The NIH is seeking views on a new template with instructional and example text for NIH funded investigators to use in writing protocols for behavioural and social sciences clinical trials.

> More details

NIH: Protecting Human Research Participants (PHRP) online tutorial no longer available

The NIH will no longer offer the Protecting Human Research Participants course from 26 September 2018. Users should complete any in-progress courses and/or print their course certificate before this date. Investigators are still required to comply with all aspects of the NIH policy Required Education in the Protection of Human Research Participants.

> More details
STFC: new Executive Director for Business and Innovation

STFC has appointed Dr Kate Ronayne as its new Executive Director for Business and Innovation.

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UKRI joins Europe-wide ambition on full and immediate open access

UKRI and the ten national funders forming cOAlition S, together with the European Research Council, have agreed to implement the ten principles of Plan S, which will underpin future open access policies of these research funders and are intended to apply to publications from 1 January 2020.

> More details

UKRI and the Office for Students sign collaboration agreement

UKRI and the Office for Students have signed a collaboration agreement confirming how the two organisations work together on shared priorities across research and teaching.

> More details

UKRI: External Advisory Group for equality, diversity and inclusion

UKRI has announced the appointment of 11 members to a new External Advisory Group for equality, diversity and inclusion.

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Wellcome: Flagships to focus on five health innovation challenges
The Wellcome Trust has published an explainer on its new approach to supporting health innovation through ‘flagships’.

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**More news from funders on Research Professional**

You can find more news from top research funders on [Research Professional](http://researchprofessional).

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