
NACTRC COVID-19 Clinical Research Grant

Terms of Reference

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Goal

Provide funding for clinical research to provide solutions to COVID-19.

Background

This fund is supported by industry-funded clinical trial overhead collected and managed by the Northern Alberta Clinical Trials and Research Centre (NACTRC). The Office of Research in FoMD adjudicates this opportunity.

Opportunity

Funding is available for up to \$30,000 to contribute to existing funding for multi-centre trials or clinical research that will rapidly lead to clinical trials. Priority will be given to clinical trials with existing funding for a minimum of 1:1 matching funds. Novel clinical research (e.g. biomarkers) will also be considered without matching funds if the proposed research can be completed within the available budget.

Eligibility

Applicants must hold a faculty appointment at the University of Alberta, that permits applying for and holding research funding as per the [University's Eligibility to Apply for and Hold Research Funding Policy](#).

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Eligible Expenses

Eligible expenses must adhere to the [Tri-Agency Financial Administration Guide](#).

Conditions

Funds need to be spent within one year of the award start date.

Publications and presentations that result from this funding must acknowledge the NACTRC.

Application Process

To apply, send the following to simon.wong3@ahs.ca. Applications will be reviewed starting April 18th, 2020.

- A. Complete the NACTRC COVID-19 Application form. (This includes submitting a new research project request on the Researcher Home Page and adding the RSO approved RES# to the form.);
- B. Proposal (1 page);
- C. Budget for requested NACTRC COVID-19 Grant funds;
- D. Budget justification of the request for funds in the context of other funding for the clinical trial or study (1/2 page maximum); and
- E. Existing clinical trial documents (i.e. study protocol).

Evaluation Criteria

- A. Requests that contribute to existing funding and bring a multicenter trial to Edmonton
- B. Support local junior investigators to serve as local principal investigators
- C. Translate novel discoveries at the U of A to humans
- D. Impact of the research on the care of patients with COVID-19

Contact Information

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