

Wellcome: Discovery Awards Scheme

Submission process:

This proposal requires the PI to complete an online application on the funder portal ([Wellcome Funding](#)) as well as requesting institutional approval via UCT's electronic Research Administration ([eRA](#)) system, prior to submission of the application.

NOTE: Final submission of an application on Wellcome Funding is actioned by UCT's Research Contracts and Innovation (RC&I) office.

UCT internal requirements

Deadline	
PI to initiate an eRA Proposal Approval request and alert their Senior Finance Officer* of the budgetary support needed at least 6 weeks before the funder deadline	17 Feb 2026
PI to submit an eRA Proposal Approval request with a draft budget to the Budget Reviewer step on eRA at least 4 weeks before the funder deadline	03 Mar 2026
PI to submit an eRA Proposal Approval request to the Finance Approver step on eRA at least 2 weeks before the funder deadline	17 Mar 2026
PI to submit the application on the funder portal (Wellcome Funding) at least 1 week before the funder deadline	24 Mar 2026
RC&I conduct review, budget approval having been received, and actional final submission on Wellcome Funding	24 to 31 Mar 2026
RC&I to action final submission on Wellcome Funding by the funder deadline	31 March 2026

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