

Funding Opportunity Announcement: Wellcome Trust Career Development Award

The Wellcome Trust have launched three discovery research funding schemes in line with their vision and [strategy](#). The [Wellcome Career Development](#) Award scheme is soliciting applications from mid-career researchers from any discipline who have the potential to be international research leaders. They will be required to develop their research capabilities, drive innovative programmes of work, and deliver significant shifts in understanding that could improve human life, health, and wellbeing.

Research proposals may be in any discipline as long as it has the potential to improve human life, health and wellbeing, and aligns with the Wellcome Trust's [funding remit](#).

Eligibility criteria:

- This call is open to mid-career researchers who are already driving their own research and who:
 - Have completed one/two substantial periods of research after their initial training.
 - May have been appointed to their first permanent, open-ended, or long-term rolling contract within the last 3 years.
 - Are able to contribute at least 80% of their research time to the award.
- Please review the [funding opportunity announcement](#) to confirm your individual eligibility.

The FHS Research Development team will be hosting a Proposal Development Workshop Series in support of FHS researchers targeting this round of the Career Development Award scheme. Please [click here](#) to register for the Workshop Series that will be delivered virtually between 7 September and 19 October 2023.

Award Budget:

- Grants are available for up to eight years and applicants may request salary (if required) and the resources required for their research programme.
- More information regarding allowable and non-allowable costs can be found [here](#).

Submission Deadlines:

IMPORTANT: 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. Furthermore, please note that final submission of an application on Wellcome Funding is actioned by UCT's Research Contracts and Innovation (RC&I) office.

	General
PI to initiate an eRA proposal approval request and contact the Departmental Budget Reviewer no later than	5 October 2023
PI to submit an eRA proposal approval request to the Finance Approver step on eRA no later than	6 November 2023
PI to submit the application on Wellcome Funding no later than	9 November 2023
RC&I to action final submission on Wellcome Funding no later than	16 November (17:00 BST)

Please complete this FHS [intention-to-submit form](#) by **29 September** if you intend applying for this call. Please note that completion of this form is for the purposes of internal support and tracking, it is not linked to funder application processes and does not commit you to applying to this opportunity.

For any further queries, please contact the [Research Development Team](#).