

## 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 <b>6 weeks</b> before the funder deadline	<b>11 Aug 2026</b>
PI to submit an eRA Proposal Approval request with a draft budget to the Budget Reviewer step on eRA at least <b>4 weeks</b> before the funder deadline	<b>25 Aug 2026</b>
PI to submit an eRA Proposal Approval request to the Finance Approver step on eRA at least <b>2 weeks</b> before the funder deadline	<b>08 Sept 2026</b>
PI to submit the application on the funder portal ( <a href="#">Wellcome Funding</a> ) at least <b>1 week</b> before the funder deadline	<b>15 Sept 2026</b>
RC&I conduct review, budget approval having been received, and actional final submission on Wellcome Funding	<b>15 to 22 Sept 2026</b>
RC&I to action final submission on Wellcome Funding by the funder deadline	<b>22 Sept 2026</b>

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