**Imperial Post-Doctoral, Post-CCT Research Fellowship (IPPRF)**

**IPPRF Application form**

**The IPPRF application process consists of *two stages*. *Stage 1*: Applicants must first gain support from the proposed ‘host’ academic Department in the Faculty of Medicine, Imperial College London using this form before proceeding to *Stage 2* and finalising and submitting their Job applications. Please refer to the guidance notes before submitting your application.**

*Stage 1* deadline for submission of completed IPPRF application forms to Imperial Departments is**:**

**Wednesday 5 February 2025, 17.00hrs**

***(and for Department of Surgery & Cancer the deadline is Wednesday 29 January, 2025, 17.00hrs)***

*(Following approval from the Department, please submit your IPPRF application form, CV and Job Application form via the Job Applicants section of the Imperial website by* ***Thursday 20 February 2025, midnight****, Vacancy Reference:* **MED04970.*)***

**Section 1**

To be completed by **Applicant, host academic Department Research Manager and Head of host Department**

**Application Summary**

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| Name of Applicant including title |  |
| Current Institution / Employer |  |
| Clinical Specialty and CCT Date |  |
| Date PhD Obtained | *\*PhD to have been submitted or all experimental work completed pending submission by the time of application and awarded before starting the post.*  *\*Please state date of submission and viva if required.* |
| Imperial CID number (if relevant)  (College identifier) |  |
| Address  (for correspondence) |  |
| Email |  |
| Telephone |  |
| IPPRF Project Title |  |
| Proposed IPPRF Start Date | *\*Projects must start between 1 September 2025 and 31 March 2026*  *\* To align with BRC funding availability projects must be completed by 31 March 2028* |
| CV submission | \**Check box to confirm CV will be attached to this IPPRF Award Form* |
| Signature of Applicant: Date: | |

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| **Head of Department Approval** | | | |
| Name | |  | |
| Department | |  | |
| Faculty | | Faculty of Medicine | |
| Supervisor (name of proposed supervisor and host lab) | |  | |
| Research Division/Section | |  | |
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| * *I understand that this scheme does not provide funds for the full economic cost of the research proposed and will not be responsible for continued support past the fellowship and that any costs around the ending of employment that result (directly or indirectly) in consequence of the scheme's limited fixed funding will need to be borne by the employing department/division.  By signing this form the Head of Department accepts that the BRC contribution is capped at £150k is agreeing to fund the remainder of the award (likely ~50%) should the application be successful.* * *I understand that the aim is to appoint at the first threshold of the Consultant Clinical Academic pay scale, but that in some cases candidates may need to start at a higher salary point.*   Signature of Head of Department: Date: | | | |
| Signature of Departmental Research Manager: Date: | | | |
| Source of Departmental Funding: (Core, external, other - please specify) | | | |
| Departmental Finance Codes: | Cost Centre: | | Account code: |

*Electronic signatures are permitted*.

**Section 2**

To be completed by **Applicant**

**Funding Requested**

2.1)Total Research expenses for the duration of the 2-year Fellowship *(based on an approximate guide of £20k total, however this is flexible and can be higher, provided the Department is willing to fund it)*

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| *Category* | *Breakdown by item headings* | *Category Total* |
| ***Research***  (to include equipment, PPIE, consumables, etc.. where required) |  |  |
| ***Other/Miscellaneous***  (please describe) |  |  |
| Grand Total | |  |

2.2)Justification for requested support *(Reasons for the budget requested. Include details of how funds will be obtained to support the research costs not covered by the Fellowship if necessary). Max 1 side A4.*

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2.3)Salary costs*(Please insert a copy of the ‘Worktribe Recovery page’ created by the Host Department to show calculation of total salary costs relating to the applicants proposed 2-year post).*

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##### Section 3

To be completed by **Applicant** - Please complete questions 3.1-4.2 and expand as necessary to a maximum of 5 pages.

**Research Proposal**

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| 3.1)Research question / Aims *(what are the key questions that you wish to answer)* | |
| 3.2)Background *(Provide context for the application, including research in the field)* | |
| 3.3)Research plan *(Details of routine methods are not required)* | |
| 3.4)Where appropriate, describe the potential impact of the research proposed | |
| 3.5) Describe how the proposed research aligns with the NIHR Imperial BRC Themes or Core Threads | |
| 3.6) Ethics | |
| Will human subjects or samples be used? | Yes / No |
| Is regulatory approval already in place? | Yes / No |
| 3.7)Describe how the IPPRF award would further your career? | |
| **Public & Patient Involvement & Engagement section**  ***(to be written in lay language as this will be reviewed by members of the public)*** | |
| 4.0) Lay Title | |
| 4.1) Lay Summary – briefly describe the research proposed | |
| 4.2) In lay language describe your Public & Patient involvement and engagement plans for the proposed research. *(Please see* [*guidance on public involvement for grant applications*](https://www.imperial.ac.uk/media/imperial-college/medicine/perc/Public-Involvement-for-Grant-Applications---Guidance-for-Researchers--v1-2022.pdf) *and the* [*Public Involvement Resource Hub*](https://www.imperial.ac.uk/patient-experience-research-centre/ppi/ppi-resource-hub/) *for guidance or contact the Imperial Patient Experience Research Centre on* [*publicinvolvement@imperial.ac.uk*](mailto:publicinvolvement@imperial.ac.uk) *)* | |
| 4.2) In lay language describe how your research addresses the needs of the local population in NW London and how you know this to be the case (including insights derived from the local population about this). | |
| 4.3) In lay language describe how your research will benefit the NHS. | |

**Notes to applicants:**

* Applicants should refer to the IPPRF Fellowship guidelines and the Job Description/Person Specification documents when preparing their application.
* The IPPRF application process consists of ***two*** stages, applicants must first gain support from the proposed ‘host’ academic department in the Faculty of Medicine before finalising and submitting their Job applications.

***Stage 1:*** This IPPRF application form and your CV must be submitted to the Head of Department/Research Manager of the proposed ‘host’ Department by: **Wednesday 5 February 2025, 17.00hrs *at the latest*** *(or 29 January for Department of Surgery & Cancer*). Applicants are advised to contact host Departments as early as possible to discuss their application and give enough time for departmental approval and to prepare costings.

***Stage 2:*** Once approved please submit this IPPRF application form, together with your CV and Imperial Job application form by **Thursday 20 February 2025**to the Jobs Applicants section of the Imperial website <http://www.imperial.ac.uk/jobs/> Vacancy Reference: **MED04970)**

* **Proposed research** Given that half of the funding is provided by the NIHR Imperial BRC the proposed research project should ideally align with one of the 14 BRC Research Themes, or be relevant to one of the 4 common threads integrated into the research themes:

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| **BRC Research Themes** | **BRC Common Threads** |
| **1.Biomedical Engineering** | 1.Creating, evaluating and implementing **digital tools** to support diagnosis, clinical management and service delivery |
| **2.Brain Sciences** | **2.Early diagnosis** of disease using imaging, genomic, metabonomic and data-driven analytic tools to identify initial stages of disease |
| **3.Cardiovascular** | **3.Precision Medicine** using laboratory and imaging tools to stratify patients for optimal treatments. |
| **4.Digestive Diseases** | **4.Convergence science** to integrate discovery scientists with clinical academics to ensure that the technology and research push is balanced by the pull of unmet clinical needs. |
| **5.Digital Health** |  |
| **6.Immunology** |  |
| **7.Infection and AMR** |  |
| **8.Metabolic and Endocrine** |  |
| **9.Molecular Phenotyping** |  |
| **10.Multiple long-term conditions** |  |
| **11.Pregnancy and Prematurity** |  |
| **12.Respiratory** |  |
| **13.Social, Genetic & Environmental Determinants of Health** |  |
| **14.Surgery & Cancer** |  |

* The following NIHR restrictions will apply to the use of IPPRF fellowship funds:
* No individual items of equipment greater than £5,000
* No expenditure related to animal research or other work which is not patient- or people-focused translational clinical research in the NHS
* Work involving patients, volunteers, human data and/or tissue samples must have a clear written protocol and been through appropriate peer and HRA/ethical review, as well as the relevant internal capacity and capability assessment
* No expenditure on University infrastructure, estates, or indirect costs
* No expenditure on activities outside the BRC, including infrastructure and support costs of related research supported by other funding bodies.
* Further details about the IPPRF opportunity can be found on the Clinical Academic Training Office website: <https://www.imperial.ac.uk/medicine/study/clinical-academic-training-office/training-pathways-for-doctors/ipp-research-fellowship/>
* Questions about the online Job Application form should be directed to the CATO team for passing on to colleagues in HR.
* Questions about BRC research themes and priorities should be directed to: brcofficer@imperial.ac.uk