

## Wellcome Trust Institutional Strategic Support Fund [WT ISSF] (2014/16)

### **Collaborative Research Visits**

The University has been awarded a Wellcome Trust Institutional Strategic Support Fund (ISSF) to support a portfolio of biomedical research activities that harmonises with our research strategy and provides added value to our research activities. A proportion of this grant will be spent on awards to support short-term research visits (national or international) to establish/advance major collaborations in biomedical research. This scheme is open to all principal investigators (PIs) in FBMH who are working on biomedical research projects. The scheme supports PI or post-doc visits to collaborators to advance their research (N.B. post-doc applications **must** be submitted by the post-doc's PI).

The award may be used for travel, accommodation and reasonable subsistence costs. The maximum award value is £2,500 per application. **Funds must be spent by 30 September 2017.**

- **Deadline date:** applications are accepted throughout the year and reviewed at monthly ISSF committee meetings (final deadline 31 May 2017)
- **Application format:** maximum 1 page of A4
- **Application content** (must contain the following sub-headings):
  - Applicant's name and Faculty/School
  - Supervisor's name (if applicable)
  - Detail of collaborator and nature of collaboration
  - Amount requested and justification for request
  - Planned travel dates
  - Brief overview of research area
  - Outline of the research that will be enhanced through this ISSF support
  - Plan for future external funding and outputs
- **Submission:** applications should be submitted to: [issf@manchester.ac.uk](mailto:issf@manchester.ac.uk)
- **Further details:** for further details of all ISSF calls see:  
<http://www.staffnet.manchester.ac.uk/bmh/research/funding-opportunities/wellcome-trust/>

### Assessment procedure and post award process

Applications will be assessed by the ISSF Committee (Matthew Lambon-Ralph, Mike Dixon, Chris Thompson, Ian Roberts, Rebecca Elliott, Neil Hanley, David Ray and Jane Worthington). **Funds must be spent before 30 September 2017.**

Awardees will be required to submit a progress report at the end of the bridging period to inform the UoM annual report to the Wellcome Trust. All publications benefitting from ISSF funding will be required to acknowledge ISSF funding in the publication. The outcome of all ISSF calls will be published on the intranet at:

<http://www.staffnet.manchester.ac.uk/bmh/research/funding-opportunities/wellcome-trust/>

### Enquiries

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