# Academy of Medical Sciences: Springboard Programme Round 8 – Internal EoI Call

The Academy of Medical Sciences has launched round 8 of its Springboard Programme. Springboard offers a bespoke package of support to biomedical researchers at the start of their first independent post to help launch their research careers. This includes funding of up to £100,000 over two years and access to the Academy’s acclaimed mentoring and career development programme.

This scheme is targeted at those who are in the early stages of their first independent research position and have not yet obtained substantial research funding support from other sources, such as large research grants or large fellowships.

## Eligible candidates will:

* Hold an academic post that incorporates research
* Be in their first independent (salaried) position (i.e. group-leader level, line managed not supervised)
* Be within 5 years (FTE) of appointment to this position
* Have sufficient time remaining in their current post to complete the proposed Springboard project
* Be able to start the fellowship by 16 November 2022 at the latest.

And you must not:

* Hold a clinical contract
* Hold a Royal Society University Research Fellowship
* Be in receipt of substantial research funding as the Principal or Co- Investigator exceeding £150,000 for the two year Springboard award (excluding your personal salary, overhead and indirect costs)

For Full details, including detailed information on eligibility please visit [Springboard | The Academy of Medical Sciences (acmedsci.ac.uk)](https://acmedsci.ac.uk/grants-and-schemes/grant-schemes/springboard)

## Application Details

HEIs are limited to submitting 4 applicants to the programme and we are therefore running an internal triage process to select the most appropriate competitive candidates. Those selected to go through to full application will work with the UoM AMS champion, their line manager, and the FBMH Fellowship Academy team to develop their applications prior to submitting to AMS.

## Key Dates

**Internal Expression of Interest deadline:** Wednesday 13th April 2022 (midday)   
EoIs should comprise of completed proforma (attached to this announcement) and an up to date CV (including details of employment history, publications and outputs, and funding secured).

Please send to [FBMHfellowshipacademy@manchester.ac.uk](mailto:FBMHfellowshipacademy@manchester.ac.uk)

**Candidates informed of outcome:** W/c 25th April 2022

**Full feedback sent to both successful and unsuccessful candidates**: W/c 25th April 2022

**FAQ/ writing tips session for full application:** 28th/29th April 2022

**UoM notifies AMS of selected candidates:** Deadline 4th May 2022 (midday)

**Full application form open on AMS portal:** 5th May 2022

**Deadline of submission to AMS:** 16th June 2022 (16:00)

A list of past and present Springboard awardees can be found here: [Springboard Awardees | The Academy of Medical Sciences (acmedsci.ac.uk)](https://acmedsci.ac.uk/grants-and-schemes/grant-schemes/springboard/springboard-awardees)

# **AMS Springboard Round 8: UoM Internal Expression of Interest Form**

Please complete the form below with all requested information, and return, along with an up to date CV to [FBMHfellowshipacademy@manchester.ac.uk](mailto:FBMHfellowshipacademy@manchester.ac.uk) by Wednesday 13th April 2022 (midday).

Please ensure that you have read in full the eligibility criteria and FAQs on the [AMS website](https://acmedsci.ac.uk/grants-and-schemes/grant-schemes/springboard). The Springboard Programme has specific rules around maximum years permitted in your current role, and what they determine to mean ‘research independence’.

Please note that to be eligible:

If you have continuously worked full-time, your appointment start date should be after June 2017. For full-time appointments this is the earliest start date, and entering earlier dates will render the application ineligible.

Otherwise, if you have had periods of part-time working and/or long-term leave (such as parental or sick leave), you must have held your current position for less than 60 months full-time-equivalent up to June 2022.

1. **Applicant Details**

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| **Name** |  |  |
| **Division** |  |  |
| **School** |  |  |
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| **Current job title** |  |  |
| **Current post start date** |  |  |
| **Current post end date (if fixed term)** |  |  |
| **What is the current source of funding for your salary?** |  | Institutional  External body  Please give details of award if funded externally: |
| **Please give details of any career breaks since starting your current role** |  |  |
| **Is this your first independent role?** |  | YES  NO |
| **Do you hold a clinical contract (inc honorary)** |  | YES  NO  If yes, please give details: |

**2. Fit to Scheme and project outline**

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| **Please give a maximum 2 page (A4) summary of:**   * How you fit the remit of the AMS Springboard Programme (refer to the [AMS guidance](https://acmedsci.ac.uk/grants-and-schemes/grant-schemes/springboard)) * How the award would benefit you at this stage in your career, and why this is more suitable than other personal awards such as early career fellowships * Highlight / standout publications which you consider the most relevant to this application * Summary of your research proposal |
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