# **Leverhulme Early Career Fellowships**

# **University of Manchester, School of Biological Sciences**

# **Expression of Interest Pro-forma**

## **How to submit an EoI to the University of Manchester, School of Biological Sciences**

To submit your expression of interest for consideration please send the following to Jen Adams ([jennefer.adams@manchester.ac.uk)](mailto:jennefer.adams@manchester.ac.uk) **by Friday 10th October 2025**:

* This completed pro-forma
* A brief CV (max 2 pages)
* A list of publications (1 page max – please use the following headings: ‘In preparation’, ‘Submitted’ and ‘Published’). If a full list of your publications exceeds one page, then include only the publications most relevant to the current application.

## **Pro-forma to submit**

Please download and open the form using the Word application to get full functionality

This pro-forma is a shortened version of the Leverhulme application form.

Please refer to the Leverhulme [Guidance for Applicants 2026](https://www.leverhulme.ac.uk/sites/default/files/2026_ECF_guidance.pdf)  and [Application Help Notes 2026](https://www.leverhulme.ac.uk/sites/default/files/Help_notes/2026_ECF_help.pdf) when completing this.

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| **Name of candidate:** |
| **Email address:** |
| **Current role and Institution:**  *Please include contract status and funding* |
| **Previous funding and awards:** |
| **Title of PhD thesis:**  **Date you submitted your doctoral thesis for viva voce examination:**  ***Did you have any career breaks? If yes, please specify, if you are comfortable doing so.***  *Please note:*   * *You can only apply if you have submitted your thesis for viva voce examination by 19th February 2026.* * *Those who submitted their thesis for viva voce examination before 19th February 2022 are not eligible unless they have since had a career break. If this applies to you, please enter details of the nature of the career break (parental leave, family*   *commitments, illness, or other exceptional circumstances etc.).* |
| **Division within SBS you wish to apply with:**    **Name of potential host PI:**  **Has your host PI confirmed they will be happy to support you?     ☐ Yes     ☐ No**  **Additional comments**(optional)**:** |
| **Has the Head of Division confirmed support for your application?     ☐ Yes     ☐ No**  **Additional comments**(optional)**:** |
| **Title of research proposal:**    **Lay summary (100 words):**  *This should be a summary of your planned research and what it will deliver, written in non-technical terms to be easily comprehensible to a non-expert* |
| **Details of current and past research:**  *A summary description of your current and previous research, normally referring to your doctoral thesis (250 words max)* |
| **Detailed statement of proposed research:**  *This should include the following headings: aims, objectives, methodology and outcome (e.g. publication plans) (750 words max)* |
| **References relating to proposed research plan (above):** |
| **Outline Budget**  *£6,000 a year is available for research expenses. Please summarise how you will use the allocated research funds (note a full costing is not required at this stage)* |
| **Reason for choosing the University of Manchester as the host institution:**  *This should include details of research being conducted in the School of Biological Sciences which is relevant to your own proposed project and any other additional reason for choosing this particular Division and* *the University of Manchester as the host institution (150 words max)* |
| **Have you moved institutions during your academic career? ☐ Yes     ☐ No**  *The Leverhulme Trust wishes to promote academic mobility through this scheme,* *encouraging candidates to move institutions during their academic career (i.e. between their undergraduate university and proposed host institution).*  *Applicants who have not already moved institutions during their academic career should nominate a new host university or otherwise demonstrate clear evidence of the academic and/or personal reasons for remaining at the same university, such as access to highly specialist equipment or a highly specialised research team.*  **If applicable, explain the academic and/or personal reasons why you wish to remain at the same institution (maximum 100 words):** |