**FACULTY OF BIOLOGY, MEDICINE AND HEALTH**

**Bicentennial Fellowship**

**Full Application Form – Stage 2**

*Please keep within the space provided*

**PLEASE COMPLETE THE APPLICATION IN FONT NO SMALLER THAN 11 PT**

We are aiming to support masked assessment of the applications. This can be challenging for internal awards, but we are exploring some approaches this year. Please enter your name and contact details below, but these will be removed for assessment.

Please read instructions for other sections carefully and note where we have asked you to omit information to support this pilot.

**A. Contact details**

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| **First Name/s** |  |
| **Address**  |  |
| **Telephone no:** |  |
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| *For office use only**Application ID* |  |

**B. Employment Status**

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| Please state your current employer  |  |  |
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| Are you currently working at the University of Manchester? Please detail your employee / staff number if applicable (You can find this on your staff card) |  | Yes / No (please delete as appropriate) |
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| If you are currently working at the University of Manchester, please confirm that contract is not for a permanent position  |  |  |
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| Are you a redeployee under the University’s Redeployment Policy?  |  | Yes / No (please delete as appropriate) |
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| National Insurance No (if known) |  |  |
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| I am not currently eligible to work in the UK and would require a visa?  |  | Yes / No (please delete as appropriate)  |
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| I am currently eligible to work in the UK on a continuous, unrestricted basis (for example, UK/EEA and Swiss nationals, those granted indefinite leave to remain etc) |  | Yes / No (please delete as appropriate) |
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| I am currently eligible to work in the UK on a time-limited or other restricted basis (for example, already in the UK on a temporary visa)  |  | Yes / No (please delete as appropriate) |
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| Please state the date you are available for employment |  |  |

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| Please confirm that you will be able to take up this award before 31 Jan 2027 , if successful |  | Yes/No |

**C. Academic Education**

To be eligible for this Fellowship, applicants must have either:

* submitted their thesis and be awaiting their viva;
* be in the process of submitting corrections following a viva;
* been awarded their PhD (or be waiting for confirmation of this award).

All applicants must hold a PhD before they can start this award by 31st January 2027.

*Please record all academic qualifications below. Please list most recent first. If relevant, include postgraduate clinical diplomas.*

*It is essential that you**state the month and year your PhD was awarded (this is not your viva date, but the day of PhD award following the viva), or flag if you are still waiting for your PhD to be awarded.*

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| **Institution** | **Qualification Gained** | **Subject** | **Completion Year (and month/year for PhD). If waiting for viva or confirmation of results following viva please record this and indicate when approximately you expect the PhD to be awarded.** |
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**D. Employment Details**

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**Current salary details**

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|  | Salary grade |  |
|  | Basic salary (£ per annum) |  |
|  | Full time equivalent FTE (%) |  |
|  | Date of next increment  |  |

Source of current salary or stipend support

*(Please be specific if salary is funded from more than one source)*

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**Employment History** (*Please list most recent first*)

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**Career Breaks**

Please provide details of any career breaks for example time away from work, parental or long term sick-leave below. Please also record periods of part time work and time away from research after your PhD that you would like us to consider.

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| **Date from (month and year)** | **Date to (month and year)** | **Any further details about this break you would like to add** *(please refer to both maternity and paternity leave as parental leave if possible)* |
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Please record how many months of active postdoctoral research activity you have had since being awarded your PhD, taking career breaks and time away from research into account. If you have not yet been awarded your PhD, please leave this blank

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| **Other information relevant to your application**  We are keen to encourage a positive research culture and appoint diverse individuals with the best potential for future momentum and trajectory, regardless of background. Please use this space to detail any information, if you are comfortable to do so, that supports your application, if relevant, explaining aspects which may have curtailed your opportunities to date. For example, these might be financial, cultural, educational or other factors which have presented a barrier to your progress but not your potential. (**No more than 200 words**). |
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**E. Additional Information**

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| **Research experience and future plans**Please summarise your research experience to date and your future research ambitions, including sources of funding you will be targeting during and after this fellowship. If you intend to take up your award before completing your clinical training (where applicable), please state why you are applying to this scheme. (**400 words max**). |
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| **Fellowship applications and/or other grants held as PI or named co-applicant** *please give details of all applications made previously, including unsuccessful applications (but clearly note these) and any currently submitted applications. Include* ***type of award****,* ***funding body****,* ***result*** *and* ***award amount******if applicable****.* ***Please do not include your name in the details provided,*** *just the information above and your role e.g. lead applicant or fellowship applicant, Co-I and so on.* |
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| **Your Publications** *Please include papers on which you are an author that have been published, accepted for publication, and/or have been submitted to a public repository. Do not include papers that are in preparation, under review or have only been submitted to a journal.* *Please do not include your name, rather please give the number of authors on the output, and your authorship position.* *Each entry should then include the year, output title, journal title and a DOI or relevant identifier. For each entry, please indicate your role in the work being reported in no more than 2 sentences. Please see the example provided below:* |
| Example: Eight authors, last author. 2025 Releasing time to deliver care: a mixed methods evaluation of the implementation of enhanced midwifery continuity of carer. BMJ Open. doi: 10.1136/bmjopen-2024-095509. Responsible for study conceptualisation, funding acquisition, designing study and co-leadership of project. |

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| **Academic and research-related prizes and awards.** *Please include dates* |
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| **Applicants who are health and care professionals only**  |
| **Your specialty** What is your clinical other care specialty? If relevant, please record your completion date of specialist clinical training? If you have completed training outside the UK please provide evidence that you have approval to undertake clinical work in the NHS. **(Maximum 100 words)** |
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| **Your proposed clinical or care activity** For the three-year period it is anticipated that you will have some of your time paid for (not necessarily for routine clinical services) by an NHS partner of the [Manchester Academic Health Science Centre](http://www.mahsc.ac.uk/our-work/scope/healthcare-services/) or another organisation. If possible, please give an initial indication of which NHS Trust or other organisation would best suit your clinical or care activity and needs. This three-year award offers a distinct opportunity to develop sub-speciality skills aligned to your research interests; please detail these briefly here. Further discussion about this can take place if the research component of your application is successful. **(Maximum 200 words)** |
| *For the three-year period it is anticipated that you will request to be Out of Programme for Research (OOPR) to undertake your project as a Clinical Research Fellow.* |

**F. Research support**

We expect applicants to have approached and gained agreement from any individuals named in this section. Named researchers supporting this application are those experienced individuals whose scientific or disciplinary expertise will be invaluable for the planning and execution of the research. We require at least one named researcher, with the option to lists a maximum of three – who can represent distinct disciplines related to your plans. The lead research support member should be based in FBMH at the University of Manchester and it is where you will undertake the Fellowship.

**Lead research support/academic sponsor**

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| Job title |  |
| Email address |  |
| Department, School and Faculty |  |

**Second research support (if required)**

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| Department, School and Faculty |  |

**Third research support (if required)**

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| Job title |  |
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| Department, School and Faculty |  |

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| Please confirm that you have already discussed your plans with the individuals named above and they have shown their support and agreed to be named? |
| **Y** [ ]  **N [ ]**  |

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| Please indicate the School and Division you will be based if your application is successful, and whether you have received approval in principal from the Head of Division. |
| School and Division you will undertake the award if successful |  |
| Head of Division name |  |
| Do you have approval in principal from the Head of Division? (Y/N) |  |

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| Please explain how your work will align with these researchers’ activities and interests at the University of Manchester and how discussions with these individuals have shaped the current application. (**300 words max.** |
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| The research support team should take an active role in supporting the applicant, if successful, in their career development. Please note that support statements are considered carefully during the review process. They should be specific and tailored to the applicant. The lead academic sponsor should outline here: * the approaches to support and development that will be taken and
* how this fellowship award will support the candidate to develop their research maturity leading to next steps of securing significant external funding.

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| **External links.** Your career development is likely to involve collaborations and interactions with other leading figures nationally and internationally. Please explain these relationships here in the context of your research plans. We will not accept additional letters of support. **(max 250 words)** |
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**G. Research Proposal and Financial information**

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| **A. Title of proposed project** *(max 200 characters)* **:** |  |
| **B. Period of support requested** *(in months; maximum of 36 months)* **:** |  |
| **C. Full-time or part-time**  *(if part-time, please give %)* |  |
| **D. Proportion of salary requested** *(if less than 100% please indicate source of  remainder of salary)*  |  |

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| **Lay summary of research plan:** Your application will be reviewed by people with a range of disciplines. Please provide a summary of the work you describe below in a way that the aims, activities and anticipated deliverables can be understood by an intelligent lay person and without any figures or diagrams. Please use only essential abbreviations and avoid technical terms or define these clearly when used **(Max 400 words).***Lay abstracts are an important part of the review process. It is wise not to assume people will know your specific area or science or why your work is important. This summary should be written at so that an informed lay person could understand your planned research. There is a range of guidance available, including these tips from the Academy of Medical Sciences - https://acmedsci.ac.uk/more/news/10-tips-for-writing-a-lay-summary* |
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| Please briefly detail which of the key theme or themes listed below your research plans align with. If your research aligns with more than one theme, indicate the order of relevance. **(Max 150 words)** * Tackling the causes and consequences of health inequalities
* Addressing Impacts of Climate Change on our Biology, Health, & Society
* Advancing Discovery Through Interdisciplinary Life Sciences Research
* Empowering Our Research Through Advanced Data Science, Digital Technologies and AI
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| **Research Proposal** Please set out the research you propose to undertake during the award. You should address the following: * A brief outline of the challenge your project aims to address and how existing evidence supports your application;
* Aims and objectives, or research questions;
* Research plan (design, methods, analysis);
* Anticipated deliverables and impacts;
* Potential next steps following this work and how these support your future research ambitions.

**Please do not exceed 2500 words, 11 point font with a maximum of one table and up to two figures included (although these are not required).** *Figure and table legends will not contribute to the work count but should be a maximum of 30 words each.* ***Any text exceeding the word limit will be redacted and not considered during the review process.*** **A maximum of 30 references can be cited in the application and included in the appendix at the end of the document.** *Please use a numbering system for the references.*  |
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| **Feasibility and risk:** All research has risk and challenges that may impact its feasibility. Please outlinethe main risks to the research you have proposed and how you will mitigate these. **(Max 250 words)** |
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| **Financial support:** The award provides the salary of the successful applicant and up to up to £30,000 per annum towards non-staff costs which may include training, equipment, travel, patient public involvement and engagement and knowledge mobilisation activities. Exact costings will be finalised after successful interview. Please outline key non-staff costs giving brief details of activities or equipment costed and corresponding planned expenditure. For each area of support requested please provide justification of how this activity or equipment will support your research and/or development. **(Max 300 words)** |
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| Please summarise anticipated any other financial support, or support in kind, that will enable the research to be carried out **(Max 100 words)** |
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**H. Regulatory requirements and intellectual property**

Please select the relevant boxes.

Details are not required at this stage, but will be required prior to any award commencing.

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|  | **Does the proposed project:** | **Y** | **N** |
| **a.** | Involve the use of human participants or human tissue? |  |   |
| **b.** | Involve the use of human embryos? |  |  |
| **c.** | Involve research on gene therapy? |  |  |
| **d.** | Involve the use of NHS facilities or patients? |  |  |
| **e.** | Involve the use of existing University of Manchester facilities? |  |  |
| **f.** | Involve the use of animals or animal tissues? |  |  |
| **g.** | Involve the use of technology, materials or other inventions that, as far as you are aware, are subject to any patents or other form of intellectual property protection? |  |  |
| **h.** | Subject to any agreements with commercial, academic or other organisations? |  |  |
| **i.** | Likely to lead to any patentable or commercially exploitable results? |  |  |

**I. References**

If you are offered the award this will be subject to references, which will be requested using standard University of Manchester processes. Please remember to notify those listed here, if you have not already done so, as they may receive reference requests at this stage.

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**Approvals and signatures**

**I confirm that I am aware of the content of this application, and that the information given above is, to the best of my knowledge, correct.**

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| **Signature of candidate:** |  | **Date:** |  |

Please complete this [anonymous survey](https://www.qualtrics.manchester.ac.uk/jfe/form/SV_5pONhaw5QzfgtqS) to assist with equality and diversity monitoring. Your responses will not be used in the decision-making process.

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| **Reference list** *Maximum 30 references, to include author, year, paper title, journal title and DOI. If you cite your own publications, please do not include the author names, just the number of authors and your position in the author list, followed by year, paper title, journal title and DOI.* |
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