~ RESEARCH FUNDING UPDATE ~
Fellowships & Studentships
3rd September 2013

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NIHR Health Services and Delivery Research Programme - Researcher-led work stream
Closing Date: 3 October 2013
The Health Services and Delivery Research Programme invites research proposals which aim to produce rigorous and relevant evidence on the quality, accessibility and organisation of health services, and improve the quality, effectiveness and accessibility of the NHS. This includes both primary research and evidence syntheses, depending on the existing research and the most appropriate way of responding to important knowledge gaps. The deadline for outline proposals is 3 October 2013, 1pm.

http://www.netscc.ac.uk/hsdr/fundingresearcherled.html?src=RL_June_2013
NIHR Programme Grants for Applied Research
Closing Date: 15 October 2013
The NIHR Programme Grants for Applied Research programme invites Stage 1 research proposals to develop individual programmes. Research funded through a Programme Grant typically consists of an interrelated group of high quality projects focused on a coherent theme and hence require multidisciplinary approaches, including clinical, health economics, statistics, qualitative and behavioural sciences, to ensure that research objectives can be met. Individual awards are for a maximum of £2 million over a period of three to five years. The amount of funding awarded is determined by the scale and nature of the research activity to be conducted.

The closing date for applications is 15 October 2013, 13:00.

Programme Development Grants
Closing Date: 15 October 2013
Applications are invited for Programme Development Grant funding. Programme Development Grants are designed to increase the rate and number of successful applications for a full Programme Grant by supporting the completion of the necessary preparatory work to suitably position the research team to submit a competitive Stage 2 Programme Grant application. Individual awards are for a maximum of £100k over a period of six to eighteen months. The amount of funding awarded is determined by the scale and nature of the research activity to be conducted. Successful applicants, on completion of their development work, proceed straight to a Stage 2 Programme Grant application.

The closing date for applications is 15 October 2013.
http://www.ccf.nihr.ac.uk/PGfAR/PDG/Pages/default.aspx

New! Public Health Research Programme
Closing Date: 19 November 2013
The Public Health Research Programme is accepting applications to its researcher-led workstream. Applicants are invited to apply by 1pm, 19 November 2013. More information on how to apply can be found on the PHR website.

Expert Reviewers:
The Public Health Research Programme is also seeking people from a wide range of professional backgrounds to review proposals received in response to both this calls and other NIHR calls. If you could help our programmes in this way please see our expert reviewers page.

We would be grateful if you could alert colleagues who may be interested in the funding opportunities presented by the PHR Programme, and where possible post a link to this announcement on relevant websites and forums.
http://www.phr.nihr.ac.uk/fundingopportunities/researcherLed.asp?src=0813_RL6

New! Public Health Research
Closing Date: 19 November 2013
We are pleased to announce that the PHR Programme is now accepting applications in response to the NIHR Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR) Themed Call. Please check the AMR Themed Call website for further information. The deadline for this call is 1pm, 19 November 2013.

This call is for research into the evaluation of public health measures, health care interventions and health services to reduce the development and spread of antimicrobial resistance and consequent morbidity. Useful resources and information on how you can apply can be found at www.themedcalls.nihr.ac.uk/amr.

To support this call the PHR Programme will also be holding a webinar on 2 October 2013, 10-11am. Please check the PHR website for information on how to join our webinar.

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http://www.themedcalls.nihr.ac.uk/amr

NIHR Public Health Research Programme – Commissioned Research Use SHIFT+ENTER to open the menu (new window).

Closing Date: 18 December 2013

The NIHR Public Health Research (PHR) programme invites outline research proposals in:

- Novel psychoactive substances in the UK
  Deadline for submissions is 1pm on 10 Sept 2013.
- Interventions to maintain or increase physical activity in adolescents
- Interventions to Prevent Elder Abuse
- Social and Emotional Wellbeing in Early Years
  Deadline for submissions is 1pm on 18 Dec 2013.

http://www.phr.nihr.ac.uk/fundingopportunities/commissioned.asp?src=0713_B8

NIHR Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR) Themed Call

Closing Date: 31 December 2013

We are pleased to announce that the NIHR Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR) Themed Call has now opened. The Efficacy and Mechanism Evaluation (EME), Health Services and Delivery Research (HS&DR) and Health Technology Assessment (HTA) Programmes are now all accepting applications. Other participating NIHR research programmes* will follow over the coming months with application forms becoming available between July and December 2013. Please check the AMR Themed Call website for further information.

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* Invention for Innovation (i4i), Programme Grants for Applied Research (PGfAR), Public Health Research (PHR), Research for Patient Benefit (RfPB), and the NIHR Fellowships Programmes

http://www.themedcalls.nihr.ac.uk/amr
Fellowship Opportunities

New! Medical Research Council
MRC-LSHTM West African global health research fellowships
Closing Date: 9 October 2013
The Medical Research Council and the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine invite applications for their West African global health research fellowships. Three fellowships are available for outstanding early career postdoctoral researchers. Each fellow will undertake an original research project in the West Africa region and the two host institutions. The project must be aligned with the research strengths of the two host organisations.
The scheme is open to West African and EU nationals who are active clinical or non-clinical researchers with up to three years postdoctoral research experience at the application deadline date, and preferably with experience of working with the Gambia Unit of the MRC, the LSHTM, or both. West Africa, for the purposes of this fellowship, comprises the following countries: Benin, Burkina Faso, Cape Verde, Côte d’Ivoire, Gambia, Ghana, Guinea Bissau, Guinea, Liberia, Mali, Niger, Nigeria, Republic of Cameroon, Senegal, Sierra Leone and Togo.
Fellowships will last for up to three years and include salary, research and training support costs.

New! Leverhulme Trust
International academic fellowships
Closing Date: 7 November 2013
The Leverhulme Trust invites applications for its international academic fellowships. These provide established researchers with a concentrated period based in one or more research centres outside the UK. The intention of the scheme is to provide opportunities to develop new knowledge, skills and ideas.
Awards may, among other things, be used for the following:
• observing and learning groundbreaking techniques or practices;
• developing new lines of research through overseas collaboration;
• making excursions into new areas of research;
• developing innovations in teaching
• exchanging ideas.
Applicants must have held an established full-time post in a UK institution of higher education, or in a museum, art gallery or comparable institution, for at least five years, and must be resident in the UK at the time of application. Applicants may not be registered for a degree, for doctoral studies, or for professional or vocational qualifications.
The maximum value of a Fellowship is £30,000, for a period of between three and 12 months. Eligible costs include reasonable replacement cover whilst the fellow is overseas; travel to and within the overseas country or countries; a maintenance grant to meet the increased expense of living overseas; and essential research costs.
http://www.leverhulme.ac.uk/funding/IAF/IAF.cfm
New! Leverhulme Trust

Research fellowships
Closing Date: 7 November 2013

The Leverhulme Trust invites applications for its research fellowships. These support experienced researchers, particularly those who are or have been prevented by routine duties from completing a programme of original research. There are no restrictions on academic discipline, and awards are not limited to those holding appointments in higher education.

Applicants must be resident in the UK and be able to demonstrate experience and academic background sufficient to confirm their ability to complete the proposed research. Applicants may not be registered for a degree, for doctoral studies, or for professional or vocational qualifications.

Fellowships are worth up to £45,000 for a period of three to 24 months. Awards may cover research expenses and a contribution towards replacement costs or loss of earnings.

http://www.leverhulme.ac.uk/funding/RF/RF.cfm

Leukaemia & Lymphoma Research

Visiting fellowships
Closing Date: 8 November 2013

Leukaemia & Lymphoma Research invites applications for its visiting fellowships. These enable outstanding clinical and non-clinical qualified postdoctoral researchers to spend two years in a European or international centre of excellence in order to gain new skills and experience relevant to career ambitions. A third year can be provided subject to peer review of a further application.

Visiting fellows are expected to return to the UK to establish themselves as independent investigators. Grants have to be administered via a UK institution.

http://leukaemialymphomaresearch.org.uk/research/researchers/funding-opportunities

Leukaemia and Lymphoma Research

Clinical research training fellowships
Closing Date: 8 November 2013

Leukaemia and Lymphoma Research invites applications for its clinical research training fellowships. These support haematologists in training for the award of a PhD.

Grants have to be administered via a UK institution.

http://leukaemialymphomaresearch.org.uk/research/researchers/funding-opportunities

New! Wellcome Trust

Postdoctoral research training fellowships for clinicians
Closing Date: 15 November 2013

The Wellcome Trust invites applications for its postdoctoral training fellowships for clinicians. This is a flexible fellowship scheme to enable individuals to engage with areas of research that are new to them. It is for candidates who either undertook a PhD early in their career and now wish to refresh their research skills, or have recently completed a successful PhD and wish to explore a new research field or environment, to gain the skills that will help them answer their longer-term research vision.
Application is open to individuals with a relevant connection to the European Economic Area, for fellowships to be held in an eligible UK or Republic of Ireland institution that will administer the fellowship for its full duration. The scheme may be suitable for clinicians who are due to complete their higher degree or are no more than two years from the date of their PhD viva by the full application deadline and clinicians who graduated with a MB or PhD or have achieved a high-quality PhD in a relevant subject, either during or before commencing their initial medical, veterinary or dental degree. Awards are for two to four years with total costs not normally exceeding £350,000. The award includes a full clinical salary for the research-dedicated years of the fellowship. During any period in which fellows are reintegrating into their clinical training programme, the salary will be funded on a shared basis. Research expenses, support to attend scientific meetings, and a flexible funding and inflation allowance may also be requested.

http://www.wellcome.ac.uk/Funding/Biomedical-science/Funding-schemes/Fellowships/Clinical-fellowships/wtp052588.htm

Cancer Research UK
Population research postdoctoral fellowship
Closing Date: 15 November 2013
Cancer Research UK invites applications for its population research postdoctoral fellowship. This provides support for postdoctoral researchers to carry out research in the following areas:

- clinical and public health epidemiology;
- educational and behavioural research in prevention, screening and early diagnosis;
- clinical trials methodologies or statistics;

This scheme is open to both clinical and non-clinical researchers. Applicants should have completed, or be about to complete, their PhD and have less than six years’ postdoctoral research experience at the time of application. Candidates of any nationality are eligible to apply but must intend to pursue a career in the UK. Most university departments are eligible locations; however, applicants should contact the charity prior to application to ensure that their selected host institution is acceptable. The fellowship may not be held at Cancer Research UK core-funded institutes in London, Manchester, Glasgow, Cambridge and Oxford.

The fellowship is awarded for three years and provides funding for the salary for the fellow, research expenses and equipment.

http://www.cancerresearchuk.org/science/funding/find-grant/all-funding-schemes/population-research-postdoctoral-fellowships/

Wellcome Trust
MIT postdoctoral fellowships
Closing Date: 22 November 2013
The Wellcome Trust invites applications for its Wellcome Trust/Massachusetts Institute of Technology postdoctoral fellowships. These enable postdoctoral scientists to undertake research at the interfaces
between biology or medicine, and mathematics, engineering, and computer and physical or chemical sciences, firstly at MIT and then at a UK institution.

The scheme is open to individuals with a relevant connection to the EEA. Applicants should be about to submit their doctoral thesis or have no more than three years of postdoctoral experience.

The fellowship lasts for four years, with the fellow based at MIT for two to three years before returning to a host institution in the UK for the remainder of the award.

For phase 1, the Wellcome Trust will provide a stipend, at a level to be determined by the MIT faculty sponsors, and additional support to cover miscellaneous expenses including travel, health insurance and small items of equipment. The MIT faculty sponsors will meet all research costs. For phase 2, the Wellcome Trust will provide an appropriate salary for the fellow, research expenses to cover materials and consumables, and modest equipment for the one- to two-year period back in the UK.

http://www.wellcome.ac.uk/funding/biomedical-science/funding-schemes/fellowships/international-fellowships/wtx054661.htm

Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh
Maurice Wohl research fellowship in surgery and dental surgery
Closing Date: 22 November 2013

The Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh invites applications for the Maurice Wohl research fellowship in surgery and dental surgery. Research proposals can address surgical translational research, surgical health services research, research into surgical aspects of patient safety, simulation and non-operative technical skills, or cancer research of demonstrable direct clinical relevance to the management of solid tumours.

Applicants should be suitably qualified and experienced young surgical trainees who are fellows or members of the college in good standing. Surgical trainees who are within one year of completing the MRCS and who would wish to join the college are also eligible to apply. Research must be undertaken in the UK. The fellowship is worth £50,000 and provides salary, national insurance and superannuation costs for one year.

http://www.rcsed.ac.uk/fellows-members/awards-and-grants/fellowships/research-fellowships.aspx

Alzheimer's Research UK
Preparatory clinical research fellowship
Closing Date: 22 November 2013

Alzheimer's Research UK invites applications for its preparatory clinical research fellowship. This supports clinicians who are planning a career in academic medicine. The fellowships last for one year, during which fellows are expected to acquire the research skills and experience to apply for full clinical research fellowships.

Clinical psychiatrists, clinical neurologists, clinical psychologists and similar specialists are eligible. The lead applicant and point of contact must be based in a UK academic or research institution. The application can include researchers or institutions outside the UK.

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Prospective fellows are required to have secured a supervisor: a senior established investigator in the institution where the fellowship is to be held. Supervisors are expected to hold tenure or tenure-track appointments. Applications must be made by the fellow, not the supervisors. Funding covers salary, plus a contribution towards research and travel costs of normally up to £10,000. ARUK will consider requests for up to £15,000 where justified.

http://www.researchprofessional.com/funding/opportunity/938281/

Cancer Research UK
Clinician scientist fellowship
Closing Date: 29 November 2013
Cancer Research UK invites applications for its clinician scientist fellowship. This is a postdoctoral fellowship available to clinicians whose research is relevant to the prevention, diagnosis or treatment of cancer and who wish to make the transition from doctoral research training to an independent clinical academic post. This scheme is open to clinicians, nurses and allied health professionals. A joint fellowship aimed at encouraging trainees in surgery to develop a clinical academic career is also offered, in partnership with the Royal College of Surgeons of England. Applicants should have completed, or be about to complete, a higher degree in a cancer-relevant research area. Applicants will hold a specialist training post and have no more than two years’ full time training, hold consultant status, or have obtained their certificate of completion of training at the time of award. Candidates may be of any nationality but should normally have been resident and working in the EEA for three years immediately prior to application and intend to pursue a clinical academic career in the UK. Candidates must be eligible to complete their training or to practise clinically in the UK. The fellowship must be held in a UK university or institute. The fellowship provides up to four years’ support, salary for the fellow and a research assistant and consumables costs, and may be renewed for a further four years.

http://www.cancerresearchuk.org/science/funding/find-grant/all-funding-schemes/clinician-scientist-fellowship/?script=true

Alzheimer's Research UK
Senior research fellowship
Closing Date: 24 January 2014
Alzheimer’s Research UK invites applications for its senior research fellowship. This supports researchers who have completed a post-doctoral degree and have the potential to become leading principal investigators but have not yet attained a tenure or tenure-track position. Applicants should have less than 10 years of research experience after receipt of their PhD. The lead applicant and point of contact must be based in a UK academic or research institution. The application can include researchers or institutions outside the UK. Prospective fellows are required to have secured the sponsorship of a senior established investigator in the institution where the fellowship is to be held. The sponsor will provide the facilities required for the research programme. Sponsors are expected to hold tenure or tenure-track appointments. Senior fellowships must be applied for by the prospective fellow, not the sponsor. Funding is worth up to £330,000 over three years to cover salary, support staff and running costs.
Alzheimer’s Research UK
Research fellowships
Closing Date: 24 January 2014
Alzheimer’s Research UK invites applications for its research fellowships. These support PhD qualified non-clinical researchers in the field of Alzheimer’s and related dementias. Each applicant must have under five years of research experience since receiving the PhD.
The lead applicant and point of contact must be based in a UK academic or research institution. The application can include researchers or institutions outside the UK.
Fellows are required to have secured a supervisor: a senior established investigator in the institution where the fellowship is to be held. Supervisors are expected to hold tenure or tenure-track appointments.
Applications must be made by the prospective fellow, not the supervisors.
The scheme provides funds for salary, up to three years, and a contribution toward research and travel costs for up to £10,000 per year. ARUK will consider requests for up to £15,000 per year if justified.

New! Wellcome Trust
Engagement fellowships
Closing Date: 21 February 2014
The Wellcome Trust invites applications for its engagement fellowships. These aim to support and develop upcoming stars in public engagement with science. The scheme is targeted at people with a strong track record of engaging the public with ideas around biomedical science or medical humanities, looking to make a step-change in their careers. The trust will provide the freedom, resources and environment to enable individuals to develop their skills and practice in encouraging the public to examine, explore and debate the big scientific challenges that society faces. The scheme aims to:
• accelerate and enhance the careers of talented people, propelling them to become public engagement leaders;
• enable fellows to investigate and shape best practice in public engagement;
• raise the profile and prestige of public engagement in both the fellow's field of work and the biomedical sciences more widely;
• foster a network of influential public engagement ambassadors within biomedical science.
Applications are welcome from professional science communicators, research scientists, medical historians, clinicians or professionals working in the arts. Fellows must have at least three years of experience engaging the public with science and be based in the UK or Republic of Ireland. Applicants may or may not be currently employed by or affiliated to a UK academic institution.
Support is provided for up to two years and includes a salary or salary buyout, project costs, training, access to office space and facilities at the Wellcome Trust, and opportunities to work with trust’s staff to develop project ideas.

http://www.alzheimersresearchuk.org/grant-schemes/

http://www.wellcome.ac.uk/Funding/Public-engagement/Funding-schemes/Engagement-Fellowships/index.htm
**New! Orthopaedic Research UK**

**Postdoctoral and clinical fellowship**

**Closing date 28 Feb 14**

Orthopaedic Research UK invites expressions of interest for its postdoctoral and clinical fellowship. The aim of this fellowship is to address issues related to orthopaedics and musculoskeletal research. The maximum amount that can be requested is £100,000 for a period of two years. Grants may cover salary, travel to conferences, lab consumables and university tuition fees.

[http://www.oruk.org/funding-research/how-to-apply-for-a-grant/grants-available/](http://www.oruk.org/funding-research/how-to-apply-for-a-grant/grants-available/)

**European Society for Paediatric Endocrinology**

**Research fellowships**

**Closing Date: 1 March 2014**

The European Society for Paediatric Endocrinology invites nominations for its research fellowships. These enable young paediatricians or scientists to undertake research for up to two years in a centre of excellence outside their current institution.

The following grants are available:

- **long-term research fellowships** are worth €62,000 annually over two years, including salary and travel costs;
- **long-term research postdoc grants** provide applicants who gained their PhD no more than four years previously with €62,000 annually over two years;
- **short-term fellowships** last for two to six months, and provide €15,000 to cover training costs.

For long-term awards, at least six months must be spent in an institution in another country. Each applicant should be fully trained in paediatrics, have received clinical endocrine training at their present institution and be in need of additional specialised research training. Each applicant should be proposed by their current supervisor or head of department, who must be an ESPE member. All grants are reserved for European researchers.

[http://www.eurospe.org/awards/awards_researchfellowship.html](http://www.eurospe.org/awards/awards_researchfellowship.html)

**Foulkes Foundation**

**Fellowships**

**Closing Date: 15 March 2014**

The Foulkes Foundation invites applications for its fellowships. These promote medical research, the training of scientists and the study of medicine. Fellowships provide postdoctoral scientists with an opportunity to study medicine to become future research leaders.

The trustees are particularly interested in applications from candidates who are likely to make use of recent developments in molecular biology, biological sciences and biotechnology. The scheme is open to recently qualified scientists and medical graduates. Applicants should have a PhD or equivalent degree and should intend to contribute to medical research.

Fellowships cover personal maintenance for up to three years and are tenable in the UK only.

Department of Health
Clinical lectureships
Closing Date: 31 March 2014
The Department of Health’s National Institute for Health Research invites applications for its clinical lectureships. These are specialty training posts that incorporate academic training. Lecturers spend 50 per cent of their time undertaking specialist clinical training and 50 per cent undertaking research or educationalist training. Alongside clinical training, lecturers will be able to further develop their academic skills and will be encouraged to apply for funding to support further postdoctoral or educationalist training. Those who hold a national training number and a PhD or MD are eligible to apply. Lectureships are aimed at those who are advanced in their specialty training, have completed a research doctorate or equivalent and show outstanding potential for continuing a career in academic medicine.
The maximum duration of a lectureship is four years, or until completion of clinical training is reached, whichever is sooner.
http://www.nihrtcc.nhs.uk/intetacatrain/2013clposts

University of Aberdeen
Clinical PhD fellowships
Closing Date: 1 April 2014
The University of Aberdeen, under the Wellcome Trust strategic award medical mycology and fungal immunology consortium, invites applications for its clinical PhD fellowships. These support medical clinicians who wish to develop a long-term career in academic medicine, specialising in medical mycology.
The award will support a maximum salary for three years at full time equivalent, home tuition fees, and research expenses up to £10,000 per year. Three fellowships are available.
http://www.abdn.ac.uk/mmfi/training/clinical-phd-studentships/

Medical Research Council
 Clinician scientist fellowships
Closing Date: 9 April 2014
The Medical Research Council invites applications for its clinician scientist fellowships. These aim to develop outstanding medically and other clinically qualified professionals who have gained a PhD/DPhil to establish themselves as independent researchers. Applicants may submit research projects that fit anywhere within MRC’s remit, however, it is expected that applicants’ clinical work helps to inform and strengthen their research work.
The council provides up to four years’ support. There is also a patient-oriented version of the scheme that provides up to five years’ support, which is intended for research which requires up to 40 per cent of the fellow’s time to be spent in clinical work.
In addition to these fellowships, the MRC offers tenure-track clinician scientist fellowships in collaboration with the Academy of Medical Sciences, which is designed to support career development and promote recruitment into clinical academic medicine, and Lady Edith Wolfson fellowships in collaboration with the Motor Neurone Disease Association, that support clinicians wishing to pursue research into the pathogenesis and treatment of motor neurone disease.
Medical Research Council

Senior clinical fellowships

Closing Date: 9 April 2014

The Medical Research Council invites applications for its senior clinical fellowships. These aim to develop outstanding medically and other qualified professionals such that they become research leaders. Applicants should hold a PhD, DPhil or MD and have at least three years’ relevant postdoctoral research experience at the time of the closing date. Applications from current MRC clinician scientist fellows are particularly welcome. The competition is open to hospital doctors, dentists, general practitioners, nurses, midwives and members of the allied health professions. There are no residence eligibility restrictions. Fellowships are not available to individuals who hold a tenured academic position or to those who have previously held a senior clinical fellowship.

The MRC provides the salary of the fellow, who will be an employee of the host institution. The costs of research support staff, research consumables expenses and capital equipment appropriate for the research project, an annual travel allowance, and other appropriate items can be requested under full economic cost. Up to 12 months can be spent in a research establishment overseas, with the MRC providing travel expenses, living expenses and reasonable accommodation costs. Alternatively, up to 12 months may be spent in another UK research centre or in an industrial company.

In addition to the regular fellowships, a number of Lady Edith Wolfson fellowships are offered in collaboration with the Motor Neurone Disease Association. These support clinicians wishing to pursue research into the pathogenesis and treatment of motor neurone disease.

Colt Foundation

Colt Foundation Fellowships

Closing Date: Not stated

The Foundation awards Fellowships each year to persons who are qualified in science or medicine who are carrying out research within the area of occupational and environmental health, and applications are now invited from prospective students who are interested in further study in this area. The Fellowship is normally for three years and the research is expected to lead to a PhD degree. Prospective students should apply to Mrs Jackie Douglas, address below, and should include an outline of the proposed research, a CV, a detailed letter of support from the proposed supervisor and the contact details of two referees. The application must be submitted by the student personally and not by their supervisor on their behalf. Fellowships are awarded in competition, and the outline must therefore contain sufficient detail to enable the selection panel to determine that the work has been well-designed, the work is worthwhile and can be completed in the three-year period, and to enable the panel to decide which students should be interviewed.

New! British Society for Surgery of the Hand
Research grant or fellowship
Closing Date: 1 August 2014
The British Society for Surgery of the Hand invites applications for its research grant or fellowship. This funds clinical or basic science research of relevance to hand surgery. 
It is anticipated that these funds will support a fellowship for a trainee, but applications for fellowships under the supervision of a BSSH member and non-fellowship research projects run by BSSH members will be considered equally. Funding may not support research by a commercial enterprise.
Funding is worth up to £50,000 per year.
http://www.bssh.ac.uk/education/bursariesandprizes

New! Leukaemia and Lymphoma Research
Clinician scientist award
Closing Date: 1 August 2014
Leukaemia and Lymphoma Research, together with the Academy of Medical Sciences, invites applications for its clinician scientist award. This aims to promote recruitment into academic haematology. The award provides support for PhD-qualified haematologists in training to combine postdoctoral research with the completion of specialist training.
Up to four years of support at specialist registrar level is available.
http://leukaemialymphomaresearch.org.uk/research/researchers/funding-opportunities

Studentship Opportunities

Waterloo Foundation
Child development – Rolandic epilepsy and dyslexia
Closing Date: 7 November 2013
The Waterloo Foundation invites applications for its child development grants for research related to epilepsy. The foundation is interested in the common and co-occurring neuro-developmental conditions of dyslexia, developmental coordination disorder and ADHD, along with Rolandic epilepsy and developmental trauma, and has a particular interest in factors under parents’ influence. In 2014, research funding will support projects that account for the fact that these children are often affected in more than one domain. Successful applications will focus on two or more of the conditions in the foundation’s strategy. This call focuses particularly on:
•Rolandic epilepsy, especially studies updating UK figures on prevalence, age and sex distribution;
•dyslexia and primary impairment in the language domain.
Applicants should be based at universities.
Up to £50,000 is available for the direct costs of a research project. The foundation might support studentships, but generally does so as a match-funding. A maximum of 5 per cent can be used for conference attendance.
http://www.waterloofoundation.org.uk/ChildDevelopmentApplicationsResearch.html
Rank Prize Funds

Postgraduate studentships in nutrition
Closing Date: 12 November 2013
The Rank Prize Funds invites applications from supervisors for its postgraduate studentships in nutrition. These support students undertaking a postgraduate degree at a UK university in a topic relevant to human nutrition. Funding is worth up to £10,000 per year over a maximum of four years. Additional £1,000 is available annually for the student to attend professional conferences in the UK or overseas.

http://www.rankprize.org/news1.htm

New! Medical Research Council

Integrative toxicology training partnership PhD studentships
Closing Date: 30 November 2013
The Medical Research Council invites applications for its integrative toxicology training partnership PhD studentship scheme. The integrative toxicology training partnership seeks to build expertise in toxicology and related disciplines that is required to ensure the safe and effective development of drugs, chemicals and consumer products, and to provide better assessment of risk deriving from environmental exposure. Research projects should meet the main aim of ITTP in achieving cross-fertilisation between toxicology and advances in other disciplines. The emphasis is on aligning modern cell and molecular biology with other fundamental and health-related disciplines to provide an integrative holistic approach in research and training relevant to predicting the toxicity of chemicals and drugs as well as to develop an understanding of the chemical, pharmacological and biological processes involved. Applications should be submitted from potential academic supervisors with mandatory collaborative partners in industry, government agencies or other universities. The proposed work should be feasible to be conducted by a PhD student and successfully submitted as a thesis within four years. Five four-year studentships are available, to start in October 2014.

http://www.mrc.ac.uk/Fundingopportunities/Studentships/ITTP/index.htm

New! Psoriasis Association

PhD studentship grants
Closing Date: 13 December 2013
The Psoriasis Association invites applications for its PhD studentship grants. These support the training of graduate students leading to the presentation of a PhD. Applications should contain a rigorous research focus and have clear relevance to the association’s aims of promoting and funding research into the causes, nature and care of psoriasis, and publishing and disseminating the results of that research. The grant is available to any UK-based research institution. The studentship is worth £27,000 per year over three years.

https://www.psoriasis-association.org.uk/pages/view/research/recruitment

Postgraduate education programme
European Chiropractors’ Union, GB
Closing Date: 1 February 2014
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01904 321 726
The European Chiropractors’ Union invites applications to its postgraduate education programme. Bursaries are available to graduate chiropractors who wish to pursue research in an academic setting through research degrees. The aim of this programme is to develop research capabilities within the chiropractic profession. Research, which should improve knowledge and understanding in relation to the practice of chiropractic, should address one of the following areas of interest:

- basic science;
- clinical and population sciences;
- chiropractic-related research.

Applicants must be enrolled in a postgraduate programme in a university or ECCE-approved chiropractic college having the necessary facilities or connections with a university. Applicants must be eligible for membership of their national chiropractic association. Support is limited to expenses resulting from fees. [http://www.ecu-research-update.org/ECU_researchStrategy.php](http://www.ecu-research-update.org/ECU_researchStrategy.php)

**Royal College of Nursing**

**Barbers company clinical nursing scholarship**

**Closing Date: 28 February 2014**

The Royal College of Nursing invites applications for the Barbers company clinical nursing scholarship. This award aims to enable nurses in clinical nursing to undertake further education, research or a clinical project. The scholarship of up to £7,500 is offered for the fees or subsistence of a nurse normally undertaking a taught master’s programme relevant to nursing or research, in an academic department in the UK or at an approved academic department of nursing overseas.

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**Novel and emerging technologies grant**

**Heart Research UK**

**Closing Date: 1 April 2014**

Heart Research UK invites applications for its novel and emerging technologies grant. This supports research on novel and emerging technologies and their application to cardiovascular disease prevention and treatment. The grant may support approaches including tissue and bioengineering, development of new devices, bioimaging and -materials, nanotechnology, genomic and proteomic approaches, computational biology and bioinformatics. Emerging technologies or strategies in the management of risk factors or evaluation of invasive or surgical procedures or similar may also be supported.

In addition to research costs, the grant may include support for attending a conference, dissemination of research findings, and a PhD studentship consisting of a stipend of up to £16,000 per year and research costs up to £5,000 per year. The maximum funding amount available is £200,000. [http://www.heartresearch.org.uk/grants/novelandemergingtechnologies](http://www.heartresearch.org.uk/grants/novelandemergingtechnologies)

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Child development – ADHD and factors under parents’ influence  
Closing Date: 4 July 2014

The Waterloo Foundation invites applications for its child development grants for research related to epilepsy. The foundation is interested in the common and co-occurring neuro-developmental conditions of dyslexia, developmental coordination disorder and ADHD, along with Rolandic epilepsy and developmental trauma, and has a particular interest in factors under parents’ influence. In 2014, research funding will support projects that account for the fact that these children are often affected in more than one domain. Successful applications will focus on two or more of the conditions in the foundation’s strategy. This call focuses particularly on:

• ADHD and primary impairment in the attention domain;
• factors under parents’ influence, such as sleep and diet.

Applicants should be based at universities.

Up to £50,000 is available for the direct costs of a research project. The foundation might support studentships, but generally does so as a match-funding. A maximum of 5 per cent can be used for conference attendance.

http://www.waterloofoundation.org.uk/ChildDevelopmentApplicationsResearch.html

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