



# Wessex Medical Research

Funding research to fight disease

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## PhD STUDENTSHIP

Wessex Medical Research (“WMT”) invites bids from potential supervisors (the “Applicant”) for a PhD studentship in a health discipline to be undertaken within the University of Southampton. This studentship will be co-funded by Rosetrees Trust who will independently review the preferred application. Reflecting the priorities of Rosetrees Trust, preference will be given to projects involving translational research and those focussing on diseases other than cancer that affect large numbers of patients in the UK.

The studentship will cover a period of three or four years’ full time study (on a three or four year PhD Programme) commencing in October 2021 and will have a total value of £90,000 to cover fees, stipend and consumables payable half-yearly in advance. Realistic applications for part time study will be considered. Continuity of payments will be subject to WMT and Rosetrees Trust receiving an endorsement of the student’s progress during the previous year which is satisfactory to each of us.

The Applicant must complete the attached application form: this must not exceed 4 x A4 pages in total (the fourth page to be used--if at all--for figures and tables only) and any further attachments will be disregarded.

Where relevant, the Applicant must confirm that the NHS National Data opt-out Programme will be adhered to.

It is essential that the Applicant confirms that the University’s policies on ethics and the treatment of animals (where relevant) will be strictly adhered to. **If no animals are to be involved in the project, this must be clearly stated.** As a member of the Association of Medical Research Charities (“AMRC”), WMT supports the AMRC’s statement on the use of animals in research. For details please see: <http://www.amrc.org.uk/position-statement-on-the-use-of-animals-in-research>

**Applications must be submitted to Wessex Medical Research via the co-ordinating Research Office in the Faculty of Medicine (email [resmed@soton.ac.uk](mailto:resmed@soton.ac.uk)) to arrive by noon on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> December 2020.** Due to the effects of Covid-19 on WMR income, there is only a single PhD studentship being offered this year. Therefore an internal demand management process will be used to limit the number of applications to a maximum of two per School. The relevant Deputy Head of School Research will be required to confirm support of the application and alignment of the Project with their School/Faculty’s research programme. **Late applications will not be accepted.**

All applications will be acknowledged and it is the intention that all Applicants will be notified of the outcome by the end of January 2021 or shortly after.

All awards are made conditionally upon WMT’s ongoing financial viability. WMT reserves the right, upon the giving of notice, immediately to cancel any grant, or part of a grant, wholly without liability in any circumstance-- including but not limited to those wrought by force majeure--which causes its Board of Trustees to doubt WMT’s ongoing fiscal efficacy or capability.

### Data Protection Privacy Notice

*The Data Controller is the Trust Director, whose contact details are at the head of this Notice. Information included in any application will be used for the purpose of assessing that application for a possible grant and may be sent for external peer review (which may include sending outside the country if you have nominated a referee in an external jurisdiction). Applications for which no grant is made will be deleted from our system on completion of the review process. If a grant is awarded the information will remain on our system for the duration of that grant and for a period of six months after that, following which it will be deleted. You have the right to request access to and rectification or deletion of personal information at any time. You are also advised that you have the right to lodge a complaint with the Information Commissioner’s Office. **Please indicate your acceptance of these arrangements clearly as part of your application.***



P.G. Dawes, Trust Director

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