

# **FMD Barts Charity Research Grant Proposal Approval Process Guidelines**

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## Barts Charity Research Funding Applications

### FMD Approval Process

#### This policy is reviewed annually at the February RSB Meeting

**Research Funding** – The Barts Charity fund high-quality, innovative research that has the potential to benefit the health of those living and working in East London. As a faculty we wish to focus our applications to The Barts Charity for FMD strategic endeavours. Barts Charity offer a range of opportunities and below the FMD approval process for each application type is summarised. All submissions must also follow the Barts Charity guidance.

- **Targeted Transformational Funding**

Any large strategic proposals will need prior approval from the [FMD Dean for Research](#) in the first instance and a short two-page overview will be reviewed by the Research Strategy Board **prior** to approaching the charity. This overview should include the following sub-headings:

- 1) Background to the research focus
- 2) Main aims of programme
- 3) Case for strategic priority/benefit for FMD
- 4) Infrastructure needs
- 5) Approximate costs

All such proposals will then be presented at the RSB for review and decisions upon suitability for submission will be made by the Board, excluding any Board members who are applicants on the proposal. A template presentation deck will be provided to the lead applicant by the Faculty Strategic Research Manager.

- **Academic Clinical Fellowship Support Grant – up to £7K**

**Who can apply** – Any NIHR clinical Fellow at FMD can follow the link above and apply for this funding providing they meet the Barts Charity criteria and follow the standard processes. No prior approval from either the FMD Research Strategy Board or the FMD Dean for Research is required.

Academic Clinical Fellowship (ACF) Support Grants provide funding for research projects for NIHR Academic Clinical Fellows at the Faculty of Medicine and Dentistry at Queen Mary University of London.

- **Research Seed Grants – Up to £75K**

**Who can apply** – Any FMD academic can follow the link above and apply for this funding providing they meet the Barts Charity criteria and follow the standard processes. No prior approval from either the Research Strategy Board or the Dean for Research is required. PIs are advised however to discuss with the Barts Charity prior to submission.

Research Seed Grants provide seed funding for health-related research that could improve the lives of people in East London. This grant could support an application to another funding organisation or pump-prime a new academic-clinical collaboration.

- [Research Project Grants - £75K - £600K](#)

**Who can apply** – FMD wish to prioritise this funding stream for FMD Early Career Researchers (ECRs), lecturers, senior lecturers and new recruits (all academic levels). Prior to making an application, please check eligibility with their Institute Research Manager. If the applicant does not fulfil the criteria, but the PI wishes to pursue further, then a discussion with the FMD Dean for Research should be had.

Holding a seed award does not preclude eligible researchers from applying for a research project grant. However, a researcher can only be awarded one Barts Charity research project grant, during their period of employment at QMUL, and new senior recruits should apply within 5 years of date of appointment.

Research Project Grants support innovative, health-related research that could improve the lives of people in East London. The outputs of this research should be internationally significant and form the basis for securing substantial future support from other funders.

- [Healthcare Professional Clinical Research Training](#)

**Who can apply** – This scheme is open to all healthcare professionals, including allied healthcare professionals (AHPs), clinicians, dentists and general practitioners, healthcare scientists, midwives, nurses, pharmacists, and psychologists. Potential applicants should discuss with their Centre Leads and/or Institute Director if an application is being considered. No prior approval from either the FMD Research Strategy Board or the FMD Dean for Research is required.

Level of funding: Fellow's salary, PhD fees and research costs. Funding for up to three years full-time, plus flexible and part-time opportunities