

## **Remit, timelines and processes**

### **1. Are these awards restricted to specific areas of research?**

Applicants must be using the funding within the context of pancreatic cancer. We would advise that prospective applicants read the Pancreatic Cancer UK [research strategy](#) and [research ambitions](#) in order to maximise the strategic alignment of their proposals. Please ensure that your proposal meets the other eligibility criteria by reading the Guidance for Applicants document on our [website](#).

### **2. What is the earliest possible start date?**

Successful awards will be notified within 5 weeks of application submission. Funding can be used from the date of award up until 9 months after this notification. This date is listed in the application form and guidance for applicants.

### **3. How will my application be assessed?**

Applications for the Collaboration Catalyst Awards will undergo Pancreatic Cancer UK's review process, which complies with the Association of Medical Research Charities' best practice guidelines. The Research Team will review your application to ensure it is eligible ahead of review by a member of Pancreatic Cancer UK's Scientific Advisory Board.

## **Eligibility**

### **4. I do not hold a tenured position at my institution; can I still apply?**

Yes, lead applicants should be supported by a UK Host Institution. By approving the grant application, the Host Institution also must show support for the applicant through commitment to facilitate the collaboration proposed. Please contact [Pancreatic Cancer UK's Research Team](#) with any queries before applying, so that we can discuss your circumstances and advise accordingly.

### **5. Can I apply for less funding?**

Yes. £7,000 is the maximum level but not a mandated size. The Charity wants applicants to utilise the scheme in a way that most effectively enables them to achieve their collaboration goals. Whatever you apply for, it will be for you to justify to the reviewer why this is needed to achieve the collaboration goals.

## **Completing the application form**

### **6. Do my collaborators need to sign off the grant before/after I submit it?**

Any collaborators will need to provide a letter of support confirming their cooperation in the research. This should outline their reasons for collaborating and explain their role in the project (which should correlate with the detailed proposal).

### **7. To whom should we address any letters of collaboration/support?**

Any letters of collaboration/support should be addressed to the Director of Support, Research and Influencing at Pancreatic Cancer UK, (Anna Jewell). These should be included as an appendix on the application.

### **8. Do you need CVs for each participant?**

We expect CVs to be provided for the lead applicant only. CVs should be included in the appendices using the template provided. Any publications included on the CV must include a list with full authors and without 'et al'. In order to reduce burden on reviewers, please limit CVs to one A4 page wherever possible.