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NC3Rs Funding Schemes



Project grants

The project grant scheme is our main route for funding 3Rs research. It is an annual competition for hypothesis-driven and applied research. Awards can be for up to 36 months with the amount requested dependent on the science; typically in the region of £300k.



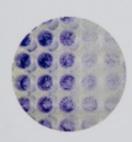
Pilot study grants

The first pilot study grants were awarded in 2011 alongside the project grants. It is an annual response mode competition for proof-of-concept studies which can provide the preliminary data for subsequent, more substantive applications. Awards are limited to a maximum of £75k and 12 months duration.



Fellowships

The David Sainsbury Fellowship scheme was launched in June 2011 to embed the principles of the 3Rs in the career development of the research leaders of the future. There will be five awards available each year, with a value of £65k per annum for three years.



Strategic awards

The strategic award scheme is designed to support research in areas we have identified as being a priority or strategically important. The scheme aims to address specific knowledge gaps; increase investment and activity in particular areas or disciplines; or to exploit new technologies. There is usually one competition per year, which awards grants of around £500k for 36 months.



Studentships

The studentship scheme was introduced in 2009 to instil the 3Rs in the training of early career scientists. Ten awards are available each year, for a duration of three years. Studentships provide cash-limited funding of £30k per annum.

Many of the global scientific and business challenges facing the bioscience sector involve the use of animals. CRACK IT is an open innovation initiative from the NC3Rs, which has been designed to solve these challenges by connecting scientists from different disciplines and stimulating research ideas which will replace, reduce and refine the use of animals and improve business process.

Sponsor a Challenge

Does your research or business face a challenge which involves the use of animals? If so, sponsor a challenge to seek new partners and resources, and engage the global brain in solving it.

CRACK IT Challenges are designed to accelerate the development of new technologies which minimise animal use or improve animal welfare. The focus is on research and innovation which leads to marketable products or improvements in business processes.

To sponsor a Challenge go to www.crackit.org.uk/sponsor

Crack a Challenge

Could you help solve a 3Rs challenge facing the bioscience industry? Successfully apply to crack a challenge and you could access funding from the NC3Rs and other in-kind contributions from challenge sponsors such as data, compounds and equipment.

To view the latest Challenges visit www.crackit.org.uk/crack

Share a Solution

Got a new idea or new technology that could reduce the reliance on animals or improve animal welfare? Find a partner to help you develop or validate the technology or simply promote your idea to a wider audience.

To submit and view Solutions visit www.crackit.org.uk/share

To make the most of the opportunities CRACK IT provides visit www.crackit.org.uk. For more information contact the CRACK IT team at crackitenquiries@nc3rs.org.uk.