**2023 NEUROSURGICAL RESEARCH FOUNDATION**

**RESEARCH EQUIPMENT GRANT**

**GUIDELINES AND APPLICATION FORM**

**OVERVIEW**

One of the research support areas for the NeuroSurgical Research Foundation is the provision of funding for research infrastructure, to facilitate research by supporting the purchase of critical new or replacement infrastructure. Bids for research capability including equipment, software packages or other services are eligible.

**APPLICATION SUBMISSION**

* Closing date for applications is 1st July 5pm. **Late applications will not be accepted.**
* Announcement of successful applications will be made in August.
* Please email your application as a single .pdf (including any relevant quotes and signatures) to [ginta.orchard@nrf.com.au](mailto:ginta.orchard@nrf.com.au)

**GUIDELINES**

* Applications must be accompanied with a recent (within 3 months of closing date) quotation.
* Infrastructure that can be used by multiple research groups or builds opportunities for collaboration will receive priority in the assessment.
* Co-contributions towards bids will receive additional points based on the level of co-contribution. Evidence of approval of co-contributions (i.e. email from contributor stating amount pledged towards the equipment) must be included with the application.
* Requests for replacement infrastructure must include a justification, including reason for the continued need for the equipment.
* Requests for consumables or salary support will not be considered.
* Restrospective applications are ineligible for funding.

**REPORTING REQUIREMENTS**

* The NeuroSurgical Research Foundation requests a one-page report at 1 year post funding on the benefits of the equipment/research infrastructure. This is to assist the foundation in publicising the benefits of research in neurosurgical injuries and diseases, and to assess the quality of the research which has been funded and guide future research donations.

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**1. NAME/SHORT DESCRIPTION OF REQUESTED INFRASTRUCTURE**

Please provide a brief description **(50 words max.)**

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**2. APPLICANTS**

List all chief investigators (CIs). Please add additional rows as required.

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| **CI** | **Name** | **Position** | **Laboratory/Unit/Centre** | **Signature** |
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**3. CHIEF INVESTIGATOR A (CIA) CONTACT DETAILS**

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| Telephone Number(s) |  |
| E-mail Address |  |

**4. FINANCIAL SUPPORT FROM OTHER SOURCES (please state amount committed)**

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| Institute or centre | $ |
| External (i.e. grants) | $ |
| Other (please describe) | $ |
| **Total funds from other sources** | $ |

**5. FINANCIAL SUPPORT REQUESTED (please state costs)**

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| --- | --- |
| Purchase | $ |
| Ongoing maintenance fees – per year | $ |
| Delivery | $ |
| Installation | $ |
| Funds already secured (total of section 4 above) | $ |
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| **Total (funds sought after deducting funds already secured)** |  |

**6. JUSTIFICATION - Capability, productivity and collaboration**

Provide full detail of the equipment to be purchased. **(500 words max.)**

Please include details of the following: new capability, increased productivity, value add to existing capabilities and collaboration opportunities.

**7. JUSTIFICATION - Research to be supported by requested equipment**

Provide a list of current, submitted and planned research projects that the requested equipment will support. Please include named CIs, funding amount, project title and funding duration.

**8. PROPOSED LOCATION AND ANY INSTALLATION REQUIREMENTS**

Briefly describe where the equipment will be housed and any installation requirements **(100 word max.)**

**9. MAINTENANCE AND LIFE EXPECTANCY**

Briefly outline the maintenance costs (including service contracts where applicable) and the expected life expectancy **(100 word max.)**

**Please submit application (complete with relevant signatures and supporting documentation) in one pdf file to** [**ginta.orchard@nrf.com.au**](mailto:ginta.orchard@nrf.com.au) **by Closing date for applications is 1st July 5pm.**