

# National Foundation for Medical Research and Innovation



NFMRI

## 2016 Grant Round Open

Expressions of interest for our 2016 grant round are now open and will close at 6pm AEST on Friday, 22nd April 2016. More information, including forms can be found on our website [here](#)

We are also seeking nominations for the 2nd Dr John Dixon Hughes Medal for Medical Research Innovation. Nominations will also close at 6pm AEST on Friday, 22nd April 2016. More information about the medal and the nomination process can be found [here](#) and information on our previous winner can be found [here](#).

## Events

**NFMRI Medical  
Research Innovation  
Conference**  
18-19 October 2016,  
Brisbane

**TTS Australia 2016**  
12-13 April 2016,  
Brisbane

**AVCAL Conference**  
31 Aug - 1 Sept 2016,  
Melbourne

## Expressions of Interest Open for Infectious Diseases Grant Round

Thanks to generous support from the NSW Department of Primary Industries, we are also holding a special purpose grant round for emerging infectious diseases research as part of their "One Health" initiative.

The outcomes of the research project need to be of benefit to NSW. The research grant, however, is not limited to institutions and researchers based in NSW.

A total of \$400,000 is available to support one or more research projects, over up to three years, investigating emerging infectious diseases. The funding will commence in 2016. Expressions of interest in portfolios 1, 2 and 3 will be accepted, though preference will be given to those that fall within portfolios 2 and 3.

More information including the form to submit and expression of interest can be found [here](#).

NFMRI wishes to thank the NSW Department of Primary Industries for their support.



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# Save the Date: NFMRI Medical Research Innovation Conference – 18-19 October 2016

The NFMRI's second Medical Research Innovation Conference, "*Supporting Biomedical Innovations: Getting Innovations on the Right Track*", will take place on the 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> of October 2016 at the Brisbane Convention and Exhibition Centre.

While our first conference sought to discuss and explore key issues affecting the medical research and innovation sector, our second conference will focus on exploring strategies and solutions to help build, support and grow the biomedical innovation sector in Australia. It will bring together local and international experts to explore four key themes focused around how private and social investments in medical research, together with different strategies and bold actions, can lead to the advancement of innovations. The program will also examine how we can increase Australia's capability and capacity to deliver results all whilst growing the local economy. This includes building a culture and funding ecosystem where industry, government, academia, venture capital and philanthropy converge to support innovations from beginning to end. Delegates will leave the conference with a better understanding of how to improve collaborations and how to build relationships between research and industry.

## Conference Sponsorship

The NSW and Queensland governments have kindly agreed to co-sponsor and become joint Conference Partners for the next two years. Opportunities to support the Conference as a "Sponsor" or "Supporter" remain available and more information on sponsorship packages can be found [here](#).

More information, including a draft program and speaker profiles will be made available in the new few months.

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