# National Foundation for Medical Research and Innovation



# **NFMRI's 2023 Awards Night**

NFMRI will be holding its <u>2023 Awards Night</u> from 5pm AEDT on Wednesday, 6 December 2023 at McGrathNicol (Level 12, 44 Martin Place, Sydney), where it will announce new grants commencing in 2024 as well as the recipient of the 2024 Dr. John Raftos AM Award.

Food and refreshments will be provided. Those who happen to be in Sydney at the time and wish to join us for the celebration should RSVP via this <u>link</u> by COB 17 November 2023 at the latest. Please note that spaces are limited.

## **NFMRI's Current Funding Opportunities**

NFMRI's grant rounds are currently open. The Foundation seeks to strategically support biomedical research into potential new drugs, medicines, tools, diagnostics, vaccines and devices. Our targeted support enables research to cross what is often referred to as the 'valley of death' and advance towards attracting the next-step partner on the translation pathway.

Those interested in applying for funding should read more about

stories and current research also provide a good indication as to the types of projects we normally support and most common questions are addressed in our FAQs section.

Should applicants have any additional questions, NFMRI is holding an online grant round Q&A session tomorrow at 1pm AEDT on Thursday, 9 November 2023. You can register here.

## **NFMRI's 2023 Funding Opportunities**

#### 1. NFMRI General Grant Round

Applications for innovations across all diseases and conditions are sought from Australian publicly funded research organisations.

**Focus:** Open nationally across all diseases and conditions affecting humans. Applications that fall within portfolios 2 & 3 only. More information about this grant round, including the EOI form, will be available on our website <a href="here">here</a> once the grant round opens.

## Closing date: 6pm AEDT on Monday, 4 December 2023

Following on from this, our next general grant round will be opening on Monday, 29 January 2024 and closing at 6pm AEST Monday, 25 March 2024

#### 2. Childhood and Youth Diseases Grant Round

NFMRI is seeking EOIs for research projects into diseases affecting children and youth.

**Focus:** Childhood and youth diseases applications that fall within portfolios 2 & 3 only, open nationally. More information about this grant round, including forms will be available <a href="here">here</a> once the grant round opens.

## Closing date: 6pm AEDT on Monday, 4 December 2023

Following on from this, our next childhood & youth diseases grant round will be opening on Monday, 29 January 2024 and closing at 6pm AEDT Monday, 25 March 2024

Special thank you to our generous partner for supporting this grant round. Our partner wishes to remain anonymous at this time.

#### 3. Alzheimer's Disease Grant Round

As part of our partnership with The Mason Foundation (managed by Equity Trustees), NFMRI is seeking EOIs for Alzheimer's disease research projects. We strongly encourage women to apply and for the researcher leading the project day-to-day to be listed as the Chief Investigator, including mid-career researchers.

**Focus:** Alzheimer's disease applications that fall within portfolios 1, 2 & 3 (preference for 2 & 3), open nationally. More information about this grant round, including forms, can be found <a href="here">here</a>.

Next cut-off date: 6pm AEDT on Monday, 25 March 2024

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# **Partnering with NFMRI**

NFMRI is always happy to consider partnership opportunities with other foundations, trusts, organisations or individuals looking to support innovative medical research in Australia and achieve greater outcomes from their funding. We are able to work within the disease and geographic parameters of our partners to collectively support new programs focusing on translation. This can better enable academic research outcomes, discoveries and innovations to move beyond academia and attract next stage partners including government, industry and venture capital. These partners have the expertise, capability and capacity to take research to the next stage, navigate the complex regulatory and approval systems and enable access to those in the community who are in need sooner.



NFMRI focuses strictly on supporting early stage biomedical innovations (drugs, vaccines, devices, diagnostics, biologicals and tools) advancements to cross the 'valley of death'. Our processes, systems capability and capacity have been purpose built to support a unique strategy and deliver impact by assisting publicly funded research organisations to attract next stage partners along the innovation pathway.

This strategy and support has already prevented a number of research projects from withering-on-the-vine. These projects have attracted next stage partners, secured investment and entered clinical trials across a number of diseases and innovations.

Based upon a framework of good governance, scalable systems and reproducible evidence of success, NFMRI established a targeted partnering program to assist other well-governed funders of research access our capability and capacity. Every dollar put towards our partnerships is distributed to innovative projects that meet the objectives of both NFMRI and the partner.

If your organisation would like to discuss a potential partnership further, please

don't hesitate to contact Dr Noel Chambers by emailing enquiries@nfmri.org.au

## **Upcoming Events**

NFMRI's 2023 Awards Night: 5pm AEDT, Wednesday 6 December 2023 - Register here

NFMRI's Online Grant Round Q&A Session: 1pm AEDT, Thursday, 9 November 2023 Register here

If you would like to invite a speaker from NFMRI please complete the <u>speaker</u> request form.







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