

AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND SOCIETY OF NUCLEAR MEDICINE RESEARCH GRANT COMMITTEE

RESEARCH GRANTS – APPLICATION GUIDELINES

A. ADMINISTRATIVE ASPECTS

1. **TITLE OF PROPOSAL**
2. **APPLICANT (S)** - give name, highest formal qualification, current department, appointment and address, and if different, the proposed appointment and the department in which the project would be carried out. The Principal Investigator must state the number of years of their nuclear medicine experience. Indicate the number of hours per week each applicant expects to devote to this project.
3. **APPLICATIONS FOR RESEARCH SUPPORT CURRENTLY PENDING** - itemise by funding agency, project title, and funds requested for each year.
4. **CURRENT RESEARCH SUPPORT** - itemise for each applicant, giving value of support for each year that support has been granted. Funds from all sources must be included.
5. **RELATIONSHIP OF SUPPORT REQUESTED IN THIS APPLICATION TO EXISTING RESEARCH SUPPORT, AND THAT REQUESTED CURRENTLY FROM OTHER BODIES** - specify why existing support cannot be utilised to support the research proposed in this application.
6. **ETHICAL REVIEW** - indicate when ethical review (human or animal) was or is to be sought for the studies in this proposal. Please note that documented ethical clearance must be obtained and forwarded to the Research Grant Committee before the commencement of the grant.
7. **CERTIFICATION** - all applications must carry certification by the Head of Department/Division "that appropriate general facilities will be available to the investigator if successful and that the project will be carried out strictly in accordance with NHMRC Ethical and Scientific Practice Guidelines".
8. **SCIENTIFIC REFEREES** - nominate a minimum of three scientific referees who are expert in the field of this application. Please provide email addresses together with phone and fax numbers and full street addresses. They must not be from your campus, nor associated with the project, nor have collaborated with the applicant(s) scientifically in the past five years. If you require, you may also list one referee who you do not want to assess your project.

B. RESEARCH PROPOSAL

- *The maximum budget which may be applied for is \$20,000*
- *Proposals from new Investigators will be given some preference during assessment*
- *Research Grants are awarded for one year – and can only be extended (up to 18 months) by written application to the Chairman Research Grant Committee*

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| 1. AIMS | ½ page maximum |
| 2. SCIENTIFIC AND/OR TECHNOLOGICAL MERIT | ½ page maximum |
| 3. ETHICAL CONSIDERATIONS | ½ page maximum |

4. BACKGROUND and RESEARCH PLAN

3 pages maximum

Applicants are reminded this section should generally include clear definition of study end points, statistical methods to be used, power calculations and an explanation of the relationship of the study to the applicants' longer-term research agenda.

5. REFERENCES

1 page maximum

(with up to 6 key references marked with asterisks)

6. SUMMARY OF MAJOR EXPECTED OUTCOMES OF PROJECT

½ page maximum

7. BUDGET

1 page maximum

A financial summary of the total amount requested (exclusive of GST), itemised under the headings:

- Equipment (over \$2000) (the Society will not support projects in which the funding sought is primarily to purchase expensive items of equipment)
- General operating costs (including consumables, minor equipment (under \$2000) etc.)
- Salaries

8. JUSTIFICATION OF BUDGET

½ page maximum

C. PREVIOUS RESEARCH ACTIVITY AND ACHIEVEMENTS OF APPLICANTS

1. PREVIOUS RESEARCH SUPPORT TO APPLICANTS - this should be itemised for the last 4 years, giving the same information as for current research support.

2. PUBLICATIONS OF APPLICANTS - please list a maximum of 8 most relevant recent publications per applicant. Abstracts should not be listed.

** For a new researcher, with little or no previous support, a brief CV/track record is required.

D. DECLARATION

The principal investigator must make a formal declaration, signed and date, as follow:

“I confirm that all information included in this application is true and correct. I also confirm that I am a named principal investigator on this application only, and that I am a named investigator on no more than two other applications”

E. APPLICATION SUBMISSION

Applications must be presented in a minimum of 12-pitch type face.

Please submit your application by email as a Word document through the ANZSNM Secretariat at secretariat@anzsnm.org.au by the closing date below.

The original (hard copy) signed application should be forwarded to:

Chairman, Research Grant Committee
c/- ANZSNM Secretariat,
PO Box 202
Parkville, Victoria 3052

APPLICATIONS CLOSE 9 November 2012

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