



Diabetes Research WA Research Grants  
Guidelines & Application Form  
for the  
2021 Research Funding Program

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## Grants Overview

### General grants

Two separate twelve-month diabetes research project grants of \$60,000 each are now available and open for application commencing **Monday 1 June 2020**, and closing **5:00pm Friday 31 July 2020**.

Grants will be awarded in November 2020.

Project applications will be considered for research projects across all types of diabetes and all populations with a focus in the following areas:

- Causes
- Complications
- Cure
- Self-management
- Treatment and medication delivery systems
- Psychological impact of living with diabetes
- Data storage and analysis

Research grants are offered in the following two streams:

- Basic/fundamental science
- Clinical/translational research

Applications are open to individuals and project teams residing or based in Western Australia where the research is to be carried out. Projects that have not received funding in the immediate previous grant round, or which include collaboration with an institution or co-funding from other sources, will be considered favourably.

Research grants are externally peer reviewed and independently assessed on a competitive basis.

Terms and conditions for project grants:

- Funding will be delivered in two parts. The first half will be paid upon project commencement and receipt of a valid tax invoice, and the second half paid following the submission and approval of a 6-month research project progress report.
- Grant amounts are exclusive of GST and tax Invoices must be submitted to [Diabetes Research WA](#).
- Research findings and progress updates are to be presented at Diabetes Research WA events.
- All published papers relating to the research must be submitted to Diabetes Research WA prior to publication.
- Grant recipients consent to conducting interviews with the media in relation to the research when requested by Diabetes Research WA.
- Diabetes Research WA is to be acknowledged for grant funding in all presentations, papers and media (print and digital).
- Recipient's name and field of research will be included in Diabetes Research WA's publicity material, including on the Diabetes Research WA website and across all social media platforms.
- Recipients agree to provide data that will not compromise the final publication of research results, for use in research updates and publicity.
- Research projects must be completed, and a final research report submitted to Diabetes Research WA, within a 15-month period from the grant award unless otherwise agreed in writing by Diabetes Research WA.
- Diabetes Research WA reserves the right in its sole and absolute discretion, without having to assign any reason therefor, to decide whether or not to make an award.

## Research Grant Application Requirements

The application form must be completed and signed in full. Terms and Conditions must be read and agreed.

### All research grant applications

Proposed research involving [humans](#) or [animals](#) must conform to the general principles set out by the [National Health and Medical Research Council](#). Successful applications requiring ethics approval will need to provide proof that approval has been granted before any funding will be provided.

All personnel whose salaries are funded under the application will be subject to the conditions of employment of the organisation by which they are employed. It is the responsibility of the applicant to ensure the salaries of all personnel listed in the grant application budget are appropriate.

Please note:

- Applications including equipment costing greater than \$5,000 will be required to attach appropriate supporting documentation
- Conference travel and appearance fees are not included in this grant
- Applications seeking funding for administrative or other indirect expenses will not be considered
- Budget information must be sufficiently detailed and transparent to assist reviewers in the assessment process

The application form allows researchers to cut and paste information directly into the form. Please note the maximum page length for details of the proposed project is four pages (excluding references). Please also note that the font size should be no smaller than 12pt.

Application forms must be emailed to [research@diabetesresearchwa.com.au](mailto:research@diabetesresearchwa.com.au) as a single PDF document prior to the closing date/time.

### Other considerations

From time to time research projects require a timeframe extension. Requests for changes to any aspect of the research project timeframe must be submitted to Diabetes Research WA at least two months prior to the relevant expiration or reporting date. Such approval is valid only if given in writing by Diabetes Research WA.

All research grant expenditure is to be fully supported by the successful applicant, with Diabetes Research WA entitled to have the expenditure externally verified or audited. Unspent research grant funding is to be returned to Diabetes Research WA unless otherwise agreed by Diabetes Research WA in writing.

Diabetes Research WA is to be notified of any changes to the research project.

## Research Grant Peer Assessment Process

All grant applications are peer reviewed and assessed in Western Australia whenever possible. From time to time national or international assessors will be utilised.

Any assessor's conflict(s) of interest must be declared to Diabetes Research WA.

### Scoring

The following points outline the assessment process and scoring in line with international standards.

The Research Project Rating (overall assessment mark) will be made using international standards and taking the following into account:

- Scientific merit
- Research plan feasibility
- Methodology
- Originality

### Assessment peer review questions for consideration

- What are the benefits, or potential benefits, of the research project to those with diabetes?
- What are the benefits of the research project to Western Australia?
- What are the principal merits and drawbacks of the application?

Project Supervisors must declare any conflicts of interest or potential conflicts of interest as soon as possible, and conflicted assessors will be excluded from assessing in that category of research application.

## Successful Grant Applications

### Payment process

Payment will be split into two parts. The first half will be paid on commencement of the project following receipt of all necessary approvals as mentioned on page 4 and a valid invoice, and the second half will be paid following approval of a 6-month research project progress report and valid invoice.

Invoices are to be addressed to Diabetes Research WA.

### Reporting requirements

A 6-month report must be submitted to Diabetes Research WA for consideration and approval. A final research project report must be submitted to Diabetes Research WA within 15 months of the grant award unless otherwise agreed in writing by Diabetes Research WA.

### Acknowledgement

Diabetes Research WA is to be acknowledged in all papers, presentations and media articles relating to the research project and to be informed of any presentation, publication or media article in both digital and print.

## 2021 General Diabetes Research Project Grant Application Form

Diabetes Research WA is pleased to offer two separate Western Australian diabetes research project grants of \$60,000 each for the 2021 calendar year as follows:

- 1 research project grant for basic/ fundamental research into diabetes
- 1 research project grant for clinical/ translational research into diabetes

Projects that have not received grant funding from Diabetes Research WA in the immediate previous grant round, or which include an association or collaboration with an institution or co-funding from other sources will be considered favorably.

Research grants are externally peer reviewed and independently assessed on a competitive basis.

### Terms and conditions for project grants:

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- Grant amounts are exclusive of GST and tax Invoices must be submitted to [Diabetes Research WA](#).
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Applications are to be sent to [Diabetes Research WA](#) to be received by **5:00pm Friday 31<sup>st</sup> July 2020**. Please ensure you have received a receipt notification. Research grants will be announced at the Diabetes Research WA annual presentation in November 2020.

**Project Title:**

Clinical/Translation Research Stream **OR** Basic/Fundamental Research Stream (please select one)

Name of Project Supervisor:

Title & Qualifications:

Affiliation (including address):

Names of Project Co-Researchers:

Project Description/Overview in lay terms (1/2 page)

Project details (strictly 4 pages excluding references)

Itemised budget - Project Budget Justification (1/2 page)

Publications/Track Record of research team (please limit this to previous 5 years)

I have read and agree to the Diabetes Research WA Terms and Conditions of this grant.