**RNID-FPA Translational Grant 2022**

**Jointly funded by RNID and Fondation Pour l’Audition**

**Expression of Interest**

**Fair Processing Notice and Data Protection**

During the Expression of Interest stage of the RNID-FPA Translational Grant, we will process your personal data for the purpose of assessing and selecting the projects that are in remit with the *Requirements and eligibility* of this call to move forward to the full application stage. By sending your application to us, you are giving your consent for us to process your personal data for this purpose.

As part of this, we will:

* Share your Expression of Interest form with Fondation Pour l’ Audition, as they are co-funding our 2022 Translational Grant call. They will also only process your personal data according to the purpose above and in line with this information and RNID [Code of Conduct](https://rnid.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2020/11/ConflictOfInterestPolicy2020.pdf).
* Keep a copy of your personal data for no more than 5 years after the date on which applicants are informed of the outcomes of this funding round. This allows us to monitor re-submissions appropriately, and to assess the current research landscape. After 5 years (if not before), we will delete all personal data associated with your application. If you are successful in being invited to submit a full application to us, we will provide further information to you at that time about further use of your personal data.

All personal information we hold about you will be kept securely, using a variety of security technologies and organisational procedures to help protect your personal information from unauthorised access, use or disclosure.

Our Data Protection Officer can be contacted by calling 020 7359 4442 or writing to Brightfield Business Hub, Bakewell Road, Orton Southgate, Peterborough, PE2 6XU.

You have the right to access, change, destroy, withdraw consent or change how we use the personal information we hold about you. Please contact us at research@rnid.org.uk or call 020 3227 6158, if you would like to do so.

If you are unhappy with how we handle your personal information, or how we handle any requests you make, you can complain to the Information Commissioner’s Office: [www.ico.org.uk/concerns](http://www.ico.org.uk/concerns) or call 0303 123 1113.

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The purpose of the Expression of Interest is to obtain enough information on the proposed project to enable us to understand how well the proposal aligns with the “Requirements and eligibility”of the Translational scheme. Applications that successfully complete the Expression of Interest stage will be invited to submit a Full Application.

**Requirements and eligibility**

This year, applications **will** be accepted in the following areas:

Small-molecule, gene- or cell-based approaches for the treatment of hearing disorders, including tinnitus. We seek to support:

* research with a strong commercial potential that is likely to attract follow-on funding at the conclusion of the grant.
* studies that will facilitate and enable the progression of promising basic research towards testing in clinical trials.

Applications can include:

* + Studies which will enable lead optimisation and/or candidate selection.
	+ Pharmacokinetics/Pharmacodynamics (PKPD) studies.
	+ Safety/toxicology studies.
	+ Drug repositioning/repurposing (applications must contain preliminary data supporting the proposed approach)
	+ Validation of therapeutic targets for the treatment of hearing loss or tinnitus (applications must contain preliminary data supporting the proposed approach).
	+ Studies to strengthen confidence that a target or therapeutic approach will be applicable to human hearing loss or tinnitus.
	+ Identification/validation of methods or outcomes that could be used for one or more of the following\*:
		- Patient selection/stratification for clinical trials
		- Robust measurement of treatment responses in clinical trials.

\* Please note that these studies must support the development of a specific therapeutic. General research into outcome measures not aligned to a specific therapeutic should be submitted to other grant schemes offered by RNID (e.g. [Discovery Research Grant Scheme](https://rnid.org.uk/hearing-research/im-a-researcher-looking-for-funding/discovery-research-grant/)) and [Fondation Pour l’Audition](https://www.fondationpourlaudition.org/our-foundation-and-research-missions-779-en).

This year, applications **will NOT** be accepted in the following areas:

* Basic research into the causes and underpinning biology of hearing loss and tinnitus
* The development of devices or software
* The optimization of current clinical protocols
* Health service studies

Please only submit **non-confidential information.** If more information is required that is of a confidential nature then confidentiality agreements will be put in place.

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| 1. Applicants (please do not list more applicants than fields available) |
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| 2. Lead scientific contact (please designate one of the applicants listed in section 1 as the lead contact who will liaise with RNID about the application evaluation process) |
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| **3. Name and address of institute/organisation hosting the project** |
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| 1. **Project Title**
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| 1. **Project Description (max 1500 words excluding references)**

Must include brief descriptions of : * The project objectives
* Your research plan/key stages of research to be carried out
* The expected outcomes (what will you deliver)
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| 1. **How is your project innovative ? (max 150 words)**
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| 1. **How does your project meet the “Requirements and eligibility” of the RNID-FPA Translational Grant call ? (max 200 words)**
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Please **email** the completed application form as a **SINGLE attached MS Word document** with a filename in the format of SurnameApplicant1\_Translational\_EOI.doc (e.g., Smith\_Translational\_EOI.doc) to: trg@rnid.org.uk

We will acknowledge receipt of your application - if you do not hear from us within 3 working days of submitting your application, please email us at trg@rnid.org.uk to check we have received it.

If you have any questions about the application process please contact us at trg@rnid.org.uk