

## Fight Parkinson's Seed Funding Grants 2025

Seed funding grant applications for projects commencing in 2025 are now open.

### Overview

- Fight Parkinson's is calling for applications for seed funding grants.
  - Clinical Research - \$30,000
  - Basic Science Research - \$30,000
- Annual grant program, seeking requests for research able to be delivered within a 12-month timeframe.
- Fight Parkinson's seeks to invest in research in support of prevention, improving the lives of People living with Parkinson's, PSP, CBS or MSA and eventually finding a cure for these conditions.
- We will support innovative team-based approaches seeking to develop ideas that will facilitate larger grant schemes.
- Applications will be assessed based on potential impact on the Parkinson's Community, scientific merit, significance, and team track record.
- Grants will be evaluated by the Fight Parkinson's Grants Review Committee, whose decisions shall be considered final.

### Applications, Eligibility, Conditions and Assessment Criteria

#### Objectives of Fight Parkinson's Seed Funding Grants in Parkinson's Disease, PSP, CBS and MSA

- To provide financial support for research projects conducted in part or fully in Victoria.
- To improve evidenced based knowledge.
- To stimulate research activities.
- To increase the capacity of research teams.
- To facilitate communication between scientists\clinicians and Fight Parkinson's members.
- To support innovative team-based approaches seeking to develop ideas that will facilitate larger grant schemes.

#### Conditions of the Fight Parkinson's seed funding grants

- Applicant will hold a PhD or be a qualified clinician.
- An insitutional ehticial approval is required prior to commencement.
- Successful applicants will be required to present research to the Fight Parkinson's community during or after the project.

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- All publications or presentations emanating from an approved project must acknowledge Fight Parkinson's.
- Electronic copies of all publications will be forwarded to Fight Parkinson's.

### Eligibility and terms

- The funds will be made available as a one-off payment to eligible researchers and must be used entirely for the research described in the application.
- A maximum of \$3,000 will be permitted for infrastructure and oncosts.
- Institutional ethical approval of the research project will be required before payment of the grant.
- The research is to be undertaken in Victoria.
- The grantee must demonstrate that the grant can proceed without relying on additional unsecured funds.

### Selection Criteria

- The project is consistent with the aims of this grant.
- Academic record.
- Quality of the team.
- Potential for the project to have impact on the Parkinson's community.
- Willingness to participate with Fight Parkinson's community.
- Budget demonstrates the research is feasible.

### How to Apply

The application must be received as a single PDF by email to [info@fightparkinsons.org.au](mailto:info@fightparkinsons.org.au), attention to Fight Parkinson's Grants Review Committee, and must be received by **5:00pm on Wednesday 12 March 2025**.

The application shall consist of:

- 1) **Front cover**, to include:
  - a) Project name.
  - b) Applicants name and contact details.
  - c) Research team names, email address and contact information.
  - d) Name of the institution through which the project will be performed.
  - e) Statement that the team will comply with the conditions of the award.
- 2) **A one page description of the project in lay language**. This page should include the potential impact of the award to the Parkinsons community and to the research team.

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- 3) **Up to two pages of project description**, that includes background, hypothesis and aims.
- 4) **A two page CV of each of the research team**. This should include:
  - a) Total number of publications.
  - b) Number of publications in the last five years.
  - c) Total number of citations.
  - d) Number of citations in the last five years.
  - e) Web link (e.g. NCBI, Orcid, Researcher ID) to a full list of publications.
  - f) H factor must be used.
  - g) Five best publications and how they impacted the field.
  - h) Current funded grants.
  - i) Confirmed other sources of funding for this grant.
- 5) **A full copy of the ethical approval of the project** (if available).
- 6) **Disclosure of conflicts of interest**.
- 7) **Full research budget**.

Applications close at 5:00pm on Wednesday 12 March 2025.

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Successful grant recipients will be notified and announced early-April 2025.