

i4i FAST (Funding At the Speed of Translation) Awards - Call 4

This opportunity is now closed

Overview

Opportunity status: Closed

Type: Programme

Opening date: 17 September 2024

Closing date: 23 October 2024 at 1:00 pm

Reference ID: 36466

The NIHR Invention for Innovation (i4i) Programme is launching another round of FAST - Funding At the Speed of Translation. FAST will be open to applications from 18 September 2024, and the deadline for submissions will be 23 October 2024. The available budget is approximately £1.5m.

FAST is aimed at innovators in need of a small amount of funding to answer a specific question or to fund a single piece of activity to advance healthcare technologies and interventions for increased patient benefit. Awards are designed to address an evidence gap and innovations must have demonstrated experimental proof of concept as a minimum.

i4i FAST Call 4 will support the development of innovative healthcare technologies for acquired brain injury (ABI), including the prevention, diagnosis and management of ABI as well as recovery from ABI.

Call 4 provides between £50k to £100k of funding for projects lasting between 6 and 12 months. FAST Awards are designed to have a rapid turnaround, and Awards must start by 01 February 2025.

The submission deadline for applications is **1pm on 23 October 2024**.

You can find further details about FAST in the 'Application Support' tab.

i4i FAST Call 4 awards briefing webinar

A briefing webinar for interested applicants took place on **18 September 2024 at 12:30 pm**.

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We are no longer accepting applications to this funding opportunity. You can still access the funding opportunity details but you will not be able to apply.

View details
(<https://ccfrms.nihr.ac.uk/>)

Supporting information

Guidance for applicants

The [Invention for Innovation FAST - Guidance for Applicants](#) (/invention-innovation-fast-guidance-applicants) details the eligibility criteria of the call, how applications can be completed and submitted, and how they will be assessed. Support available before submitting an application and the steps following funding being awarded are also covered.

Frequently asked questions (FAQs)

The [frequently asked questions](https://www.nihr.ac.uk/i4i-fast-faq) (<https://www.nihr.ac.uk/i4i-fast-faq>) include answers to general queries as well as answers to queries on eligibility, the assessment process, finance and intellectual property.

Application form template

You can download a template of the application form below. Please use this template as a guide to help you prepare your application. This Word document of the Outline Application form is to be used as a guide only. It is designed to help you complete the online application form only. For example, to see how many characters are accepted in each section and to see how information in the form is laid out. Please do not try to use this as an application form. You must submit your application in our online application system which you can access by clicking on the 'Apply now' links when a funding opportunity is open.

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How to apply

- FAST operates a one stage application process.
- Applications are accepted from 18 September 2024 through the [Research Management System \(RMS\)](#) (<https://ccfrms.nihr.ac.uk/Login.aspx?ReturnUrl=%2f>) and must be started by 16 October (after this date we cannot guarantee that the application will be considered).
- The deadline for submitting an application is 23 October 2024 at 13:00.
- Please note all new RMS users need to be validated to be able to start an application, which can take up to 48 hours upon registration.
- Applications are treated as confidential, and all steps are taken to ensure confidentiality is maintained. Please refer to our [Confidentiality Guidance](#) (</confidentiality-and-disclosure-nihr-applications-and-their-assessment>) for further details.
- Applications will be reviewed by experts with a clinical, academic or commercial background.
- Feedback on rejected applications will not be provided.

[Apply now](https://ccfrms.nihr.ac.uk/Login.aspx?ReturnUrl=%2f) (<https://ccfrms.nihr.ac.uk/Login.aspx?ReturnUrl=%2f>)

Contact Details

- For help with your application contact i4ifast@nihr.ac.uk (<mailto:i4ifast@nihr.ac.uk>)
- For more information about the funding Programme, visit the [I4I Page](#) (</research-funding/funding-programmes/invention-for-innovation>)

- Got a research idea and not sure how to turn it into a funding application? The free NIHR Research Support Service (RSS) supports researchers in England to apply for funding, and to develop and deliver clinical and applied health, social care and public health research post award. [Find out how the RSS can help you](/support-and-services/research-support-service) (/support-and-services/research-support-service).