



UK DCTN Themed Research Call 2022

Genital Dermatoses

Do you have a research idea for a clinical trial relating to genital skin disease? Need some funding to help develop your project? Then apply for this award!!!

The UK Dermatology Clinical Trials Network (UK DCTN) invites applications for our 2022 Themed Research Call on genital dermatoses. Applications can include work related to outcome measures and pilot or feasibility work including surveys and qualitative research methods. Submissions should only be made that will inform the design of future randomised controlled clinical trials (RCTs) in the field of genital dermatoses and not for stand-alone projects.

Thanks to generous co-funding from both the British Society for the Study of Vulval Disease two awards of up to £10,000 each are available. One award for any aspect of genital skin disease and one restricted to projects investigating female only genital skin disease.

How to apply: Please use the Themed Research Call form available from our website www.ukdctn.org and view the terms and conditions overleaf to ensure your application is within remit. A summary of the timeline and processes involved is shown below.

The **closing date for applications is Monday 25th July 2022.** If short-listed, applicants will be invited to present their proposals to the UK DCTN Steering Committee in London (or online) on Tuesday 11 October 2022.

Terms and conditions on the following page....

Terms and Conditions of UK DCTN Themed Call Award

The aim of the UK DCTN Themed Call Award is to help facilitate UK study teams working in strategic areas to overcome hurdles that may be impeding the development of clinical trials research in that area. The work conducted should be pilot/feasibility work or other developmental work (such as a Priority Setting Partnership, outcome measures related work) that will eventually support the development of a full scale randomised controlled clinical trial (RCT).

1. This award scheme is only available to study teams who:
 - Are working in the disease area of the themed call and undertaking work that will go on to support an RCT in that area.
 - Agree to work with the UK DCTN on future related studies.
 - Based in the UK and Ireland
2. Applications will only be considered on the correct form. Application forms are available on request from the UK DCTN Research Co-ordinator ukdctn@nottingham.ac.uk or via the UK DCTN website www.ukdctn.org.
3. Maximum funding available per project is £10,000.
4. Applications for laboratory based research studies are not applicable and will not be considered.
5. Due to generous co-funding from the BSSVD, two awards of up to £10,000 each are available. Please note that these cannot be pooled for one project.
6. Short-listing of applications is made on the recommendation of a specially convened panel based on the following criteria: clinical relevance, importance to NHS, need for UK DCTN involvement, patient numbers, likely interest, avoiding duplication of effort, timeliness, feasibility and experience of research team.
7. A final funding decision is made by the UK DCTN Steering Committee following presentation by short-listed study teams.
8. Awards are made for a maximum period of 2 years with 6 monthly progress reports and a final report being mandatory. Non-cost extensions will be considered on a case by case basis.
9. Successful study teams will be notified of any conditions of funding in their award letter.
10. Funding will be released to successful study teams in stages – 50% on award and 50% on completion of relevant activities.
11. Successful study teams must inform the UK DCTN of any deviations from their original project and should seek permission before proceeding with such changes.

Please get in touch with us if you would like further information at ukdctn@nottingham.ac.uk or 0115 8468621. Application forms are available on request or via the UK DCTN website www.ukdctn.org.