**BBSRC Flexible Talent Mobility Account (FTMA)**

**‘Industry Introductions Fund’**

**AWARDS OF UP TO £3,000 PER APPLICATION**

**Targeting talented early-career researchers with the potential to be the next generation of leaders within UK academic and industrial research.**

**Who the ‘Industry Introductions Fund’ is for:**

* To support **early career researchers (ECRs)** with the costs of initial engagement with non-academic research users, including potential industry partners.
* ECRs include postdoctoral researchers, PhD students who have submitted their thesis and the equivalent of BBSRC David Phillips Fellows, i.e. those who have not yet established an independent academic research group.
* Those whose research is within the BBSRC's remit (see https://bbsrc.ukri.org/research/science-remit/), but have not necessarily had previous BBSRC funding.
* This fund is also open to ECRs who do not currently work in the BBSRC’s remit but wish to use this fund to explore the potential and make connections within the BBSRC’s remit. Please contact Dr Diane Lister to discuss in advance of your application if this is the case: Diane.Lister@admin.cam.ac.uk, (7)65192.
* Non-UK nationals are welcome to apply, as 25% of the FTMA has been allocated from the UK government Rutherford Fund and, therefore, will be used to engage with non-UK scientists.
* 10 to 15 applications will be awarded.

**Strands of activity supported:**

* Participation in conferences with a high proportion of industry delegates
* Attending industry-led events, such as trade fairs
* Visiting a company (or multiple companies) to explore potential avenues for collaboration
* Travel, accommodation and subsistence to a reasonable level (approx. £50 per day)
* Printing of a poster or business cards to present at conference/event (if applicable)

**\*\***The **‘Industry Introductions Fund’** is designed to be a stepping stone to a longer placement in an industrial setting. The **FTMA ‘Postdoctoral Placements Scheme’** offers up to £15,000 for 3 months (or longer part-time). This call will open on in September 2019. Check<https://impact.bio.cam.ac.uk/> for details.\*\*

**How to apply for the ‘Industry Introductions Fund’:**

* Complete the application form (included in this document, below
* Please provide evidence of the predicted costs, e.g. screenshot of event, email from industry contact.
* Please attach an up-to-date, two-page CV and a letter of support from your group leader.
* Applicants for funding will be asked to:
	+ Present a case for support that includes clear objectives and outputs from the proposed work
	+ Identify further routes for development and leverage of awarded funding.
* Email the form to **Dr Diane Lister**, Diane.Lister@admin.cam.ac.uk (cc: bioscienceimpactteam@admin.cam.ac.uk).
* **The call will open on Monday 3 June and close on Mon 8 July.**
* Successful applicants will be contacted within 2 weeks of the closing date. If this timeframe does not fit your application (e.g. due to an early bird discount deadline for a conference), please contact Diane Lister before submission.

**Advice and assistance provided in applying for the award:**

The ‘Industry Introductions Fund’ is administered by the [Bioscience Impact Team](http://www.bio.cam.ac.uk/impact), and we can:

* Assist in identifying a suitable event in your area of research
* Help to identify a potential industry/other non-academic partner
* Give guidance on how to present your research to industry
* Attend meetings with (potential) industry partners
* Advise on types of translational funding available for follow-on collaboration

*This support is not a condition of the funding, but is available to you if you wish.*

**Assessment of applications:**

Your application will be assessed against the following criteria:

* Potential benefit to applicant
* Proportion/type/relevance of industry at event/meeting
* Relevance to BBSRC’s strategic priorities
* Opportunity to present (at event or internally when visiting industry partner)

**Award conditions and final report:**

* Funding will be dispersed using the usual financial regulations and systems. Funds must be spent in accordance with the terms and conditions of the BBSRC.
* Successful applicants will receive an award letter stating the maximum amount of funding that can be claimed. Please **retain all receipts and evidence**.
* Your department will need to submit an invoice, attaching copies of all receipts and the final report form, and stating the reference number as per the award letter.
* Recipients will be required to provide a **brief report** one month after the completion of the project. A copy of the final report form is included at the end of this document. Please include at least **two images**. Failure to complete a final report will result in the invoice not being paid.

If you have any questions regarding either FTMA scheme, or wish to discuss the translation of your research in general, please contact Dr Diane Lister (Diane.Lister@admin.cam.ac.uk; (7)65192).

**BBSRC FTMA Growing Relationships Application Form**

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| Name |  | Email Address |  |
| Head of Group/PI |  | Phone number |  |
| Department/Institution |  | Department Accounts contact |  |
| Date of application |  |
| Details of event/meeting |
| Name of event/conferenceName of company |  |
| Date(s) (if known, otherwise provide an indication of timescale) |  |
| Location |  |
| Have you been to this event/met this company before? (please provide details) |  |
| How will attending this event/meeting benefit you? |  |
| How does this event/meeting align with BBSRC’s strategic priorities? |  |
| **Trade fairs/conference only:**What industry will be at this event? Have you been in contact with them before? |  |
| **Costs requested** - please provide estimates if need be and attach all available evidence. Your application is more likely to be processed quickly if you supply all the supporting evidence. |
| Travel  |  |
| Ticket cost |  |
| Conference registration fee |  |
| Poster printing and laminating |  |
| Business cards |  |
| Other costs (please state) |  |
| **TOTAL COSTS** |  |
| **DEPARTMENTAL ADMINISTRATIVE AUTHORITY:** I confirm that the application has been submitted with the agreement of the department and, if awarded, I will invoice the Bioscience Impact Team for costs. |
| Name: | Signature: | Date: |

Please collate all evidence and submit as a single document to Dr Diane Lister by email: Diane.Lister@admin.cam.ac.uk

**BBSRC FTMA Growing Relationships Fund** **Final Report Form**

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| Name |  | Email Address |  |
| Department/Institution |  | Phone number |  |
| Details of event/meeting |
| Name of conference/event/company visited |  |
| Date(s) |  |
| Location |  |
| Did you present at the event/meeting? Please provide details. |  |
| Who did you meet? |  |
| What will you do to follow up? |  |
| What can the Bioscience Impact Team do to further help you? |  |
| Would you recommend this event/company to others? Please give details of who might be interested. |  |

Please fill in this form and submit along with the invoice for costs to Dr Diane Lister via email (Diane.Lister@admin.cam.ac.uk, cc: bioscienceimpactteam@admin.cam.ac.uk) within one month of the event/meeting.

Please contact Dr Diane Lister or other members of the Bioscience Impact Team if you require any assistance in following up connections or ideas generated at the event/conference/industry visit.