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| **Ideas with Impact – Guidance notes** | |
| **Total grant award** | * Applicants can apply for up to £50,000 of funding. * If successful, applicants cannot apply for IwI funding for a year after award nor can a different applicant apply for the same or closely related project. |
| **Eligible costs** | * Directly incurred costs only, indirect costs are not covered. * Funding can cover costs including salary, consumables, travel. * Funding can also cover external expertise and field testing – please justify why this external resource is required in your application. These costs should only constitute part of the project. |
| **Eligibility of applicants** | * Applicants must be employees of UoM. * Early career researchers are particularly encouraged to apply. |
| **Length of project** | * There is no minimum/maximum project term. |
| **Philanthropic funders** | * Whilst these funds come from philanthropist donors, they do not review the applications. There is no need to tailor the application accordingly. * The review panel come from a wide range of backgrounds so, making the descriptions of your ideas accessible is advised. |
| **Project scope** | * Ideas with Impact fund supports projects which fit into the following 3 categories:   + Climate emergency solutions   + An interconnected world   + Healthy futures * Project activities and costs need to fit to the themes. * Projects should be focused on delivering positive social, environmental, and economic impact, and need to be commercially viable. * Applicants need to have demonstrated proof of concept prior to applying (around TRL 3). * This is a translational research fund (we will not support fundamental research proposals) that will help unblock specific bottlenecks in projects that are preventing further commercialisation and/or accessing bigger translational funds |
| **Application form** | * Please download the application form from <https://www.uominnovationfactory.com/academics/ideas-with-impact/> * Please send the completed application form to [iwi@uominnovationfactory.com](file:///C:\Users\natalie.pirttijarvi\Downloads\iwi@uominnovationfactory.com) * No other supporting documents are required other than what is specified in the application (detailed project plan and/or GANTT chart as appropriate). |
| **Closing date** | * Funding call is always open, with applications reviewed every 4 months. * For the next deadline, please visit <https://www.uominnovationfactory.com/academics/ideas-with-impact/> |
| **Review process** | * Assessment is on the application form only, there is no interview/pitch etc. * Applications are assessed by a review panel, and applicants will be notified of the outcome within 4-6 weeks of closing date. |
| **Successful applicants** | * Following notification, we will inform you of the next steps of getting the relevant contracts and funding in place, to ensure a prompt start to your project |
| **Unsuccessful applicants / resubmission** | * Following notification, if requested, reviewer feedback will be anonymised and passed onto the applicant. * If resubmission is appropriate, the applicant will be invited to resubmit. |
| **Reporting** | * Our philanthropist donors will expect an update at the end of a project. This is likely to be in the form of a brief report/case study document detailing how IwI funding has pushed the project along the TRL scale. This will be best presented in layman’s terms. |