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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.
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| **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.
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| **Eligibility of applicants**  | * Applicants must be employees of UoM.
* Early career researchers are particularly encouraged to apply.
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| **Length of project**  | * There is no minimum/maximum project term.
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| **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.
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| **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
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| **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%3A%5CUsers%5Cnatalie.pirttijarvi%5CDownloads%5Ciwi%40uominnovationfactory.com)
* No other supporting documents are required other than what is specified in the application (detailed project plan and/or GANTT chart as appropriate).
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| **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/>
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| **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.
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| **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
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| **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.
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| **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.
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