

Crohn's & Colitis UK 2024 Grant Assessment Criteria

Scoring Criteria for Full Applications

CRITERIA FOR SCIENTIFIC/CLINICAL PEER REVIEWERS AND PANEL MEMBERS	
Scientific/Academic Merit	 The research proposal is novel and important. The proposed work is particularly creative or innovative in the solution /intervention it is proposing. The proposal is of high quality and will add significantly to the scientific body of knowledge.
Methodology	 The methods are clearly explained and appropriate and there is a clear rationale for the patient population being targeted in the study. If relevant, there are no ethical concerns raised in the proposed work. If the application involves the use of animals, is this appropriate and in line with the 3Rs principles.
Feasibility	 The proposed approaches are realistic, well developed and likely to achieve the aims within the timeframe set out. The research team has the necessary skills and access to required infrastructure to carry out the proposed work. The budget is sensible and adequate to carry out the proposed work.
Benefit/Impact	 The research will directly impact people living with IBD or has the potential to impact people living with IBD in the future. The work will provide clinicians and/or patients with the tools and resources to manage the disease. There is an achievable plan for evaluating impact.
Patient and Public Involvement and Engagement (PPIE)	The applicant(s) have involved people living with IBD in the development of the proposal and have clear plans for involvement and engagement as the study progresses.
Equality, Diversity and Inclusion (EDI)	 The applicant(s) have considered issues around health inequalities and equality, diversity and inclusion and have described the specific activities they will undertake to embed EDI in their work. If participants are to be recruited to the study, the applicant(s) have considered issues around health inequalities and EDI? The applicant(s) have considered how the results of their study could be widened so they are representative of the IBD population.



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CRITERIA FOR LIVED EXPERIENCE PANEL MEMBERS	
Relevance	• The research proposed is addressing an area of unmet need or is of importance for people living with IBD.
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Feasibility	 If relevant, any barriers concerning recruitment of people to the study have been identified and addressed. If relevant, there are no ethical concerns raised in the proposed work.
Patient and Public Involvement and Engagement (PPIE)	 The applicant(s) have involved people living with IBD in the development of the proposal and have clear plans for involvement and engagement as the study progresses. The level of PPIE for the project is appropriate for the type of work e.g. there is a steering committee/working group for large, clinical projects. The plan for providing feedback to participants or people who have been involved in shaping the research is well thought-out and appropriate. There is a wider engagement plan to communicate results to people affected by IBD and/or the general public.
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Clarity	The project overview section of the application is written clearly in Plain English and the applicants have avoided the use of technical jargon or explained any terms or abbreviations where necessary.