# IMPACT ACCELERATION ACCOUNT – Partnerships Fund

Please ensure that you have read the scheme [guidance](https://www.mpls.ox.ac.uk/internal-research-funding/impact-and-innovation-funding/iaa). The information that you provide should be written with clarity (for a non-specialist assessment panel), and not exceed the prescribed word counts.

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Case for support

*Please delete the italicised text in the boxes before submission.*

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| *Please indicate the type of partnership support being requested:* |
| **Outward**  |  | **Pre-application**  |  |
| **Inward**  |  | **Pre-proof of concept**  |  |
| **Other form** (*please describe*) |
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| **Secondee** (if known) |  |
| **Dept** or **Organisation** |  |
| **Job Title** |  |
| **Contact details** | **T**: **E**:  |

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| **Please outline the EPSRC-related research that underpins this project.** *(<250 words). If applicable, provide details of funder, scheme, and grant reference.* |
| **Funder:** |
| **Name of scheme** (if applicable)**:** |
| **Grant Reference:** |
| *A clear and concise description including:** *How the underpinning research was funded (Other/UKRI)*
* *Explain briefly how the project relates to, and will deliver impact from Oxford’s underpinning* [*EPSRC research area(s*](https://www.epsrc.ac.uk/research/ourportfolio/researchareas/)*)*
* *Specific barriers to the application and/or utilisation of research that this project will address*
* *Please provide information on the current state of development, and use the table below to address the Intellectual Property (IP) position (is it being managed by Oxford University Innovation (OUI); is it patented; is it owned or jointly owned by another party, etc.)*
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| **The IP position:** *provide a brief outline of existing and expected IP.* |
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| Do you have any patents /IP in place or submitted that covers this work? | [ ] No. [ ] Yes. If applicable, provide brief details: |
| Do you anticipate that work proposed here will give rise to any intellectual property? | [ ] No. [ ] Yes [ ] MAY BE. If applicable, provide brief details: |
| Do any organisations other than Oxford, have any rights to the work being proposed here *(e.g. through commercial sponsorship, or grant funding)?* | [ ] No. [ ] Yes. If applicable, provide brief details: |
| Do you need to access background IP/patents, materials, data or other resources held by anyone else for this work (*e.g. using a technique/ discoveries patented by another group, or materials, data or equipment provided under an agreement)?* | [ ]  No. [ ]  Yes. If applicable, provide brief details:  |
| Have Oxford University Innovations been engaged in discussions around the proposed research?  | [ ]  No. [ ]  Yes. If applicable, please give brief details of Licensing and Ventures Manager engaged with project: |

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| **Please detail the objectives, expected outputs and milestones.***(<500 words)* |
| *This section should include:** *Clearly defined objectives*
* *Specific outputs that will make this project a success*
* *Around 4-5 clearly defined milestones with a short summary of what will be achieved at each stage*
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| **Please outline potential application areas and the impact the technology / knowledge may have beyond academia.***(<200 words)* |
| * *Why is the proposed project important?*
* *What problem is this project trying to address?*
* *What potential impact(s) will arise if this project is successful?*
* *How will society or a sub-set of society benefit from this project? Could there be any negative impacts for different people (e.g. gender; age; ethnicity; disability; etc), if so how could negative impacts be avoided?*
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| **Consideration of a Responsible Innovation approach** *(<250 words)**Applicants will find EPSRC’s approach to develop and promote* [*Responsible Innovation*](https://epsrc.ukri.org/index.cfm/research/framework/) *(RI) useful for this section* |
| *All applicants are required to plan what they will do to explore a responsible innovation approach for the project in an open, inclusive and timely way.* *You need to consider each of the following and articulate:** *Whether the project, its outcomes or impacts could be potentially controversial;*
* *How you would identify potentially controversial implications of the project that may arise while the project is ongoing;*
* *Explore if there are trust or social acceptability issues for the project;*
* *Consider if there is a need for broader interactions or early dialogue to explore acceptability and/or minimise future negative responses.*
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| **Please explain the rationale for the choice of partner and how the collaboration will be managed.** *(<500 words)* |
| * *Why is the chosen partner(s) best suited for this project?*
* *Why is the partner not funding the project themselves?*
* *What will the partner be doing/contributing to the project?*
* *How much time will be spent working with the partner?*
* *How frequently will the secondee meet with the partner?*
* *How will progress be monitored?*
* *How will any IP that is created be managed?*
* *Is the partner an existing or prospective spinout? - there must be a strong and clear case that the proposed project is a new stream of work and not additional development of the initial technology that was licenced to the spinout. A clear statement of how conflict of interest will be managed must be included. Additional scrutiny will be given to IAA projects that involve University spinout companies.*
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| **Please describe the expected project benefits and/or added value to**: *(<100 words each)*1. the University and the research area;
2. the user partners;
3. the secondee.
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| 1. *General outward benefits (beyond academia) e.g. establishing new collaborations; bridging the gap with industry; establishing Oxford’s position in a particular field.*
2. *What will the project partner gain from this secondment and the relationship with the University?*
3. *How will this secondment benefit the secondee in their professional career and how does it fit in with their own plans for the future?*
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| **Follow-on work**: **please detail the next steps after completion of the project.** *(<250 words)* |
| * *What steps will you take immediately after the conclusion of the IAA project? This may include transferring the IP to OUI for licencing, applying for EPSRC or Innovate UK funding or discussing direct funding from an external partner.*
* *What is your strategy to take the results of the project beyond academic impact?*
* *If commercialisation route: have you contacted OUI? Are you thinking about licencing or spinning out? Are there potential industrial candidates to take up the technology/knowledge?*
* *If non-commercial route: how will you make sure that the project outcomes are taken up by the end users? How will you identify end users?*

*Please indicate if discussions have been held with* [*Oxford University Innovation*](https://innovation.ox.ac.uk/)*,* [*Industrial Research Partnerships team (MPLS)*](https://www.mpls.ox.ac.uk/our-team/industry-links) */* [*Business Development team (MSD)*](https://www.medsci.ox.ac.uk/divisional-services/support-services-1/business-development) *or* [*Research Services*](https://researchsupport.admin.ox.ac.uk/)*, and if so, who your point of contact is.* |
| ***Please explain why the EPSRC IAA is the most appropriate funding source for this project.*** *(<150 words)* |
| * *Why is this project not research?*
* *Why can’t other sources of funding be used e.g. OUI Seed Funds, Innovate UK?*
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| **Justification of resources.** |
| *Please provide a full explanation and justification for all of the resources requested, addressing each cost line in turn.* |
| **Please provide reassurance that this project will start as planned.** |
| * *How will you ensure the appointment/recruitment of staff for the project is timely?*
* *Do you have staff ready to commence work on the project without any delays?*
* *Is all of the equipment required for the project available?*
* *Is your partner ready to start the project without delay?*
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| **Other Information** |
| **Declaration of Interests: *If applicable*** |
| Does the project require ethical review?  | Yes [ ]  No [ ]   | Approved CUREC number *If applicable* |  |       |
| **PREVIOUS SUPPORT** |
| **Have you submitted a related/similar funding application to an internal or external call (past/present)? If so please provide relevant information, e.g.** *title, funding outcome, funds awarded (/requested), Funding Scheme.* |
| **Title (**and duration of funding**):**  |
| **Funded (Y/N/in review):**  |
| **Funding Scheme:** |
| **Total funding awarded/requested:** |
| **Conflict(s) of interest.** |
| *Please fully detail any potential conflicts of interest for this proposal, and* ***what actions will be taken to manage them****.**If there are no conflicts of interest to declare, please make a nil return.**The University’s conflict of policy and further information can be accessed at:* [*http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/researchsupport/integrity/conflict/policy/*](http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/researchsupport/integrity/conflict/policy/) |
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*Oxford EPSRC IAA Partnerships Application Form*

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