

Success rates

2021/22 summary

- 66 applications were received for funding
- 12 awards were made with a total value of over £1,363,000
- 18.2% of applications considered were funded

Funding decisions are made on the basis of scientific quality and success rates vary over time due to the quality of proposals received, levels of funding available and demand from the research community.

Information on the success rates by grant type and by individual grant scheme for 2021/22 and going back over the last five years can be viewed in the tables below.

2021/22 application success rates

Grant Type	Number of Applications	Number of Awards	Success Rate
Project Grants (all)	30	2	6.7%
Scholarships & Fellowships (all)	36	10	27.8%
Total	66	12	18.2%

2021/22 application success rates, by grant scheme.

Grant Scheme	Number of Applications	Number of Awards	Success Rate
WoW Entry Level Scholarships	2	1	50.0%
WoW-BGCS Entry Level Scholarships	4	1	25.0%
WoW-BMFMS Entry Level Scholarships	2	1	50.0%
WoW-BSSVD Entry Level Scholarships	1	0	0.0%
WoW-RCM Entry Level Scholarships	2	2	100.0%
Research Training Fellowships	10	1	10.0%

NIHR-WoW Doctoral Fellowship (Round 8)*	10	1	10.0%
WoW Postdoctoral Research Fellowships	2	2	100.0%
WoW-BGCS Postdoctoral Research Fellowships	3	1	33.3%
WoW Research Project Grants	23	1	4.3%
WoW-PRUK Research Project Grants	4	0	0.0%
WoW-SG Research Project Grants	3	1	33.3%
Total	66	12	18.2%

*WoW usually co-funds one award each round but all fundable applications will still receive NIHR funding.

2020/21 application success rates

Grant Type	Number of Applications	Number of Awards	Success Rate
Scholarships & Fellowships (all)	20	5	25.0%
Total	20	5	25.0%

2020/21 application success rates, by grant scheme.

Grant Scheme	Number of Applications	Number of Awards	Success Rate
WoW-RCM Entry Level Scholarships	4	1	25.0%
WoW-RCP Entry Level Scholarships	1	1	100.0%
NIHR-WoW Doctoral Fellowship (Round 4)*	11	1	9.1%
Postdoctoral Research Fellowships	4	2	50.0%
Total	20	5	25.0%

*WoW usually co-funds one award each round but all fundable applications will still receive NIHR funding.

2019/20 application success rates

Grant Type	Number of Applications	Number of Awards	Success Rate
Project Grants (all)	89	5	5.6%
Scholarships & Fellowships (all)	41	7	17.1%

Total	130	12	9.2%
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2019/20 application success rates, by grant scheme.

Grant Scheme	Number of Applications	Number of Awards	Success Rate
Entry Level Scholarships	7	1	14.3%
WoW-RCM Entry Level Scholarships	7	2	28.6%
Research Training Fellowships	15	1	6.7%
Postdoctoral Research Fellowships	12	3	25.0%
Research Project Grants	74	3	4.1%
WoW-CSO Research Project Grants	15	2	13.3%
Total	130	12	9.2%

2018/19 application success rates

Grant Type	Number of Applications	Number of Awards	Success Rate
Project Grants (all)	78	5	6.4%
Scholarships & Fellowships (all)	49	10	20.4%
Total	127	15	11.8%

2018/19 application success rates, by grant scheme.

Grant Scheme	Number of Applications	Number of Awards	Success Rate
Entry Level Scholarships	8	3	37.5%
WoW-RCM Entry Level Scholarship	7	2	28.6%
Research Training Fellowships	18	1	5.6%
Postdoctoral Research Fellowships	16	4	25.0%
Research Project Grants	78	5	6.4%
Total	127	15	11.8%

2017/18 application success rates

Grant Type	Number of Applications	Number of Awards	Success Rate
Project Grants (all)	74	4	5.4%
Scholarships & Fellowships (all)	30	4	13.3%

Total	104	8	7.7%
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2017/18 application success rates, by grant scheme.

Grant Scheme	Number of Applications	Number of Awards	Success Rate
Entry Level Scholarships	9	2	22.2%
WoW-RCM Entry Level Scholarships	8	1	12.5%
Research Training Fellowships	13	1	7.7%
Research Project Grants	74	4	5.4%
Total	104	8	7.7%

2016/17 application success rates

Grant Type	Number of Applications	Number of Awards	Success Rate
Project Grants (all)	42	3	7.1%
Scholarships & Fellowships (all)	16	4	25.0%
Total	58	7	12.1%

2016/17 application success rates, by grant scheme.

Grant Scheme	Number of Applications	Number of Awards	Success Rate
Entry Level Scholarships	9	3	33.3%
Research Training Fellowships	7	1	14.3%
Research Project Grants	42	3	7.1%
Total	58	7	12.1%