



Deadline	<b>Tuesday, 29 October 2024, 3:00 PM (UK Time)</b>
Call name	<b>Dorothy Hodgkin Fellowship 2025</b>
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Focused on	Supporting talented postdoctoral scientists (scientists at an early stage of their career) needing flexibility, due to caring responsibilities or personal health reasons, and enabling them to build an independent research career. The research (8 year timeframe, with years 6-8 subject to satisfactory progress) is to be undertaken at a UK University or research institution.
Applicant	Early career scientists of any nationality with no more than 6 years of <b>actual</b> research experience post PhD by the application deadline, who can demonstrate a need for flexible support due to personal circumstances which is current/will be current by the start of the Fellowship and will last for the duration of the Fellowship (both men and women can apply and have received fellowships in the past).
Host institution	UK university or not-for-profit research organisation (including Research Council Institutes)
Expected outputs	(J) reviewed specialist article; Depending on the level of experience, successful applicants are expected to be strong candidates for permanent posts in institutions at the end of their Fellowships
Call opens	Tues 05 Sep 2023
Final deadline	<b>Tuesday, 29 October 2024, 3:00 PM (UK Time)</b>
Evaluation results	Interviews for shortlisted applicants: 5-6 June 2024 (notified in May 2024) Results of the call: End July/Early Aug 2024
Signature of agreement	
Earliest date of implementation	01 Oct 2025 – 01 Jan 2026
Latest date of implementation	30 Sep 2033 – 31 Dec 2033
Sustainability	NA
Reporting	Mid-fellowship checkpoint review at start of year 4 / Final report / Interim report / Accounting of finances
Project duration (min-max)	<b>8 years</b> (years 6-8 funded subject to satisfactory progress)
Allocation for the call	Up to 5 awards will be offered, with the potential of more fellowships being supported subject to availability of funding
Project budget (min-max)	£266,720 (80% of max salary for 8 years) + directly allocated costs (estate costs) and indirect costs + £720,000 (research expenses, equipment under £10K, travel, 80% of PDRA cost, contribution to 4-year PhD studentship, part-cost of equipment over £10K, public engagement, trainings) Max. £1.87M over 8 years
Success rate	NA
Eligible costs	Research Fellow's salary and associated on-costs as set by the host organisation. RS will cover 80% of salary costs. DHF award holders are expected to establish their independent research career and as such, the basic salary requested should be at a level commensurate with your skills, responsibilities, expertise and experience. For the first year, we would not expect the basic salary to fall below the salary of academic staff at an equivalent career stage such as an early-stage lecturer. Salary costs must be justified and further supporting information will be requested at the point of offer. Should the host organisation wish to supplement the basic salary provided by the Society it is free to do so at its own discretion. Directly allocated (including estate costs) and indirect costs (80% contribution). 100% of research expenses, including consumables, equipment, travel, etc.. Research assistance: 80% of the full economic cost of a postdoctoral researcher/PDRA. Contribution to a 4-year PhD studentship. Public engagement: fellows can apply for up to £8,000 to support their public engagement activities.

	<p>Professional development and training: up to £8,000 (over the fellowship duration) for Fellow's own training and career/professional development as well as training for any staff and students supported on this grant.</p> <p>It is expected that a minimum of £30,000 of research costs per annum will be requested. An assumed level of inflation should be included for the full duration of the grant. The level of inflation will need to be justified.</p>
Mode of funding	ex-ante
Language of application	English
Provider	<p>The Royal Society, 6-9 Carlton House Terrace, London SW1Y 5AG.</p> <p>Before contacting us, please check whether your question is answered by the scheme guidelines. If not, please email the Dorothy Hodgkin Fellowship Team: <a href="mailto:dhf@royalsociety.org">dhf@royalsociety.org</a> or call: +4420 7451 2666.</p>
Call identifier	DHF 2025
Call info	<p>The Dorothy Hodgkin Fellowship (DHF) programme aims to support the next generation of research leaders undertaking cutting edge research by offering a recognised first step into an independent research career for outstanding scientists and engineers who have a current need for flexible support (e.g. need to work part-time). Depending on their level of experience, those appointed are often expected to be strong candidates for permanent posts in institutions at the end of their fellowships.</p> <p>The objectives of the DHF programme are to enable outstanding early career scientists and engineers with the potential to become leaders in their field to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Work flexibly from the outset and during the tenure of their fellowship e.g. on a part-time basis or converting from full-time to part-time and back again to help match work and other commitments</li> <li>Start building an independent research career at a UK university or research institution</li> <li>Give them the freedom, time and long-term flexible support to pursue high-quality and innovative lines of scientific research</li> <li>Develop as research leaders by offering tailored high-quality professional development, networking and engagement opportunities</li> </ol>
Conditions / Restrictions	<p>The applicant must have no more than 6 years of <b>actual</b> research experience since their PhD (i.e. the date on which the degree was approved by the board of graduate studies) by the closing date of the round. Career breaks and part-time working are always taken into consideration.</p> <p>The applicant must demonstrate a need for flexible support due to personal circumstances which is current/will be current by the start of their Fellowship and for the duration of the Fellowship. The need for flexibility must comprise an ongoing rather than potential situation; as such, we would expect that any caring responsibilities would impact an applicant's general daily routine in order to justify any flexible working arrangements offered by this Fellowship. The information regarding the need for flexibility will only be viewed by the Society's Grants Team and applicants will be asked to provide this information in the relevant section of the application form. Applicants <b>should not</b> therefore refer to their need for flexible support in their personal statement.</p> <p>Dorothy Hodgkin Fellows requiring a visa to work in the UK are eligible to apply for a Global Talent Visa under the fast-track process of endorsement. Other visa categories are also available. In line with the highly prestigious nature of a Dorothy Hodgkin Fellowship, the Global Talent visa is designed for people who are recognised as leaders and potential leaders in their field.</p> <p>Not eligible: researchers who hold a permanent post in a University or not-for-profit research organisation, or those who hold or have previously held an equivalent and/or nationally competitive fellowship to establish an independent research group and therefore independent researcher status.</p>
Proposal consists of	<p>You should register for an ORCID identifier via <a href="https://orcid.org/register">https://orcid.org/register</a>. This is a mandatory requirement at the application submission stage only.</p> <p>Applications must be submitted online using the Royal Society's Grants management system (Flexi-Grant®) via <a href="https://grants.royalsociety.org">https://grants.royalsociety.org</a>.</p> <p>The application form contains:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Summary Page:</b> here you will find instructions for submission of your application for approval from the <b>UK Host Organisation</b> (approval only once all other parts are complete) and you can invite participants (e.g. Head of Department and two Nominated Referees) who are required to contribute to the application.</li> <li><b>Eligibility criteria</b></li> </ol>

	<p>3) <b>Need for flexibility</b> (200 words, this section will be read by the RS Grants team only, the panel will be judging your application solely based on scientific merit):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i) Current need for flexibility</li> <li>ii) How you plan to use the flexibility offered through the DHF</li> </ul> <p>4) <b>Applicant personal details:</b> title, names, address, organisation, country, e-mail address (this must be the one used to register a user account on FlexiGrant). Also amend which type of contact your application participants are (e.g. Head of Department, collaborator).</p> <p>5) <b>Applicant career summary</b></p> <p>6) <b>Research proposal:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i) Start date (Fellowships are expected to commence between 1 October 2025 and 1 January 2026)</li> <li>ii) End date (must be exactly 8 years from proposed start date)</li> <li>iii) Project title</li> <li>iv) Keywords (5-10)</li> <li>v) Subject group <a href="https://royalsociety.org/grants-schemes-awards/grants/subject-groups/">https://royalsociety.org/grants-schemes-awards/grants/subject-groups/</a></li> <li>vi) Subject area</li> <li>vii) Abstract (scientific summary of your project) (max 400 words)</li> <li>viii) Lay summary (reason for choosing this field and why is it particularly exciting/interesting/important, potential benefit to wider society; this section is important to Panel members who are of a broad range of fields) (max 250 words)</li> <li>ix) Research proposal (detailed five-year project plan alongside a broader eight-year vision and strategy) (max 2000 words or if using PDF upload 4 sides of A4 with font size no smaller than Arial 10)</li> <li>x) Named collaborators</li> <li>xi) Host organisation</li> <li>xii) Host department</li> <li>xiii) Justification for choice of host organisation</li> </ul> <p>7) <b>Data management and data sharing</b></p> <p>8) <b>Use of animal research</b></p> <p>9) <b>Use of human participants and tissue</b></p> <p>10) <b>Financial details:</b> provide details of the funding required for each year of the research fellowship under the relevant headings.</p> <p>11) <b>Applicant declaration</b></p> <p>12) <b>Nominated reference support:</b> invite the referees under the participants tab. It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure that referees do this on time and by the deadline (Tue 31 Oct 2023 15:00 GMT). At least one referee should be someone who has worked closely with you, but the other must be external to your current research group. You should not choose both referees from your proposed host organisation, and if possible, one should be an international referee. Your named Head of Department cannot be listed as a referee.</p> <p>13) <b>Head of Department support:</b> the Head of Department should detail your suitability for the department and also set out their intentions for your career progression at the host organisation.</p> <p>14) <b>Diversity monitoring</b></p>
Evaluation criteria	<p>The scientific track record of the applicant commensurate with research experience: past achievements, research career to date, publication record, likely contribution to research field, future potential to become a research leader.</p> <p>The suitability of host institution including appropriate expertise/equipment and research environment as well as support for career development.</p> <p>The scientific merit, originality, significance and quality of the proposed research project and the likelihood of achieving goals.</p>
Research areas	<p>Research must be within the Royal Society's remit of natural sciences, which includes but is not limited to biological research, chemistry, engineering, mathematics and physics. For a full list, please see the Royal Society <a href="#">guidance page</a>.</p>
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IOCB contact	<p>Please inform the <a href="#">IOCB Project Office</a> about your intention to apply.</p> <p>Do not hesitate to contact us anytime on <a href="mailto:projectoffice@uochb.cas.cz">projectoffice@uochb.cas.cz</a> for consulting, discussion or help.</p> <p>Lenka Štěrbová +420 220 183 179</p> <p>Jitka Šilerová +420 220 183 229</p>

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