





Deadline	Tue 18 Mar 2025 15:00 UK time
Call name	Newton International Fellowships 2025
www	https://royalsociety.org/grants-schemes-awards/grants/newton-international/
Focused on	Professional development & training of young researchers
Applicant	Postdocs from any country outside the UK up to 7 years full time postdoctoral experience
Llast in atitution	(incl teaching or time spent in industry) since completing a PhD
Host institution	Research organisation in United Kingdom which employs the UK sponsor
Expected outputs	Research; (J) Reviewed publications 21 Jan 2025
Call opens Final deadline	Tue 18 Mar 2025 15:00 UK time
Evaluation results	Aug 2025
Signature of	Sep/Oct 2025
agreement	3ep/Oct 2023
Earliest date of	1 Oct 2025 - 31 Mar 2026 (preferably at the start of the month, keep in mind potential
implementation	visa processing times)
Latest date of	-
implementation	
Sustainability	None
Reporting	NA NA
Project duration	2 years
(min-max)	
Allocation for the call	35 fellowships are expected to be funded
Project budget (min-	Up to £280,000 for the 2 years, excluding visa and relocation costs
max)	
Success rate	NA
Eligible costs	Funding can cover:
	- Basic salary costs as set by the host institution and associated on-costs
	- Research expenses
	 Relocation and visa costs for Newton International Fellow and their dependents (partner and children) - (The total grant cap may be exceeded in order to cover relocation/visa costs if this is well justified in the application).
	- Estate costs and indirect costs Ineligible costs: other research staff salaries, PhD studentship stipends and fees There is provision for maternity, paternity, shared parental leave, adoptive or extended sick leave as well as financial support for childcare costs that arise from attending conferences etc.
Mode of funding	Ex-ante
Language of	English
application	
Provider	The Royal Society, 6-9 Carlton House Terrace, London, SW1Y 5AG www.royalsociety.org, info@newtonfellowships.org
Call identifier	Newton 2025
Call info	These fellowships support the development and training of postdoctoral researchers at
	an early stage of their career from any country outside the UK, by providing an
	opportunity to work at a UK research institution for two years.
Conditions / Restrictions	Applicants must hold a PhD by the time funding starts and should have no more than 7 years of active full-time postdoctoral experience at the time of submission (career breaks must be clearly detailed and explained in the application).
	Applicants should be working outside the UK and should not hold UK citizenship at the time of application.
	Applicants must not be living, working or undertaking research in the UK in the 12 months running up to the application, with the exception of short-term visits of less than three months in total and applicants who are refugees in the UK according to the Geneva Convention. Individuals working outside the UK but employed by a UK organisation are
	not eligible to apply. Applicants who completed their PhD at a UK organisation must have been working and based outside the UK for at least one year at the deadline for the application.

Applications to return to work with the applicant's PhD or postdoctoral supervisor are not usually eligible.

Contact between the UK Sponsor & applicant is essential and should lead to a clearly defined and mutually-beneficial research project. The UK Sponsor must be an established researcher of at least postdoctoral status, must make all the necessary practical & administrative arrangements for the duration of the fellowship and must hold a permanent or fixed term contract in a publicly-funded research organisation for at least the duration of the fellowship.

The Sponsor should work with the lead applicant to develop the project proposal and should provide mentoring, support and guidance throughout the duration of the award. Sponsors are not eligible for any funding and are not to utilise an award as an opportunity to extend their own research.

Applicants may only submit 1 application in a round. The application must be with only 1 Sponsor at a UK host organisation.

Applicants must be competent in oral and written English.

Former Newton fellows are not permitted to apply again.

Applicants who have been unsuccessful in a previous round of the competition may make another application in this round.

Applicants cannot conduct their research outside the UK but short fieldwork trips abroad (must not normally total more than one month per annum) may be possible where appropriate.

Host organisations are expected to provide fellows with the necessary support to complete their fellowship successfully and will be required to make the following commitments: Facilities and office/laboratory space – provide the award holder with the necessary departmental and institutional support to complete their Fellowship successfully, including adequate office and laboratory space and access to essential equipment, software and facilities.

Four reference statements are required for the application: (i) head of the host institution, (ii) UK Sponsor, (iii) two nominated referees (one nominated by the applicant and one by the UK Sponsor, at least one in the UK, must not be on the assessment panel or on RS Council, not from same institution as applicant or co-applicant, not a former/current supervisor of applicant).

It is the applicant's responsibility to liaise with the UK Host Organisation's Approver, Sponsor, current supervisor, and the nominated referees to ensure that the required tasks are completed by the deadline.

Royal Society Newton International Fellows requiring a visa to work in the UK are eligible to apply for a Global Talent Visa under the Fast-tracked process of endorsement. When developing funding proposals, researchers must ensure generative AI tools are used responsibly and in accordance with relevant legal and ethical standards where these exist or as they develop. Funding proposals for Royal Society grants should adhere to our existing commitments to policies on Research Integrity and Trusted Research. Applicants are responsible for ensuring the originality, validity, reliability and integrity of any outputs created or modified by generative AI tools. Where generative AI tools are used in funding proposals their use should be acknowledged in the application by naming the AI source and specifying how the content was generated (for example by listing the prompt used).

Proposal consists of

Online application submitted via the FlexiGrant®: https://grants.royalsociety.org/

- 1) Summary (applicant)
- 2) Understanding our Promotion (applicant)
- 3) Eligibility Criteria (applicant)
- 4) Contact Details (applicant)
- 5) Lead Applicant Career Summary (applicant, incl. UK Sponsor statement of support)
- 6) UK Sponsor Career Summary (UK Sponsor)
- 7) Research Proposal (applicant & UK Sponsor)
- 8) Data Management & Data Sharing (applicant & UK Sponsor)
- 9) Use of Animals in Research (applicant & UK Sponsor)
- 10) Use of Human Patients or Tissue (applicant & UK Sponsor)
- 11) Financial Details (applicant & UK Sponsor)
- 12) Applicant Declaration (applicant)
- 13) Nominated Referees Support (referees)
- 14) UK Host Organisation Head of Department Support (UK Sponsor's Head of Department)

Evaluation criteria	The primary considerations are listed below. Successful applications should be strong in all respects:
	 (1) The academic research background of the Applicant: suitability of the individual for the fellowship and potential to develop an independent research career; track record commensurate with actual research experience to date including past achievements, research career to date, publication record, awards, datasets held in repositories, software, keynote lectures, current & previous grants; how candidate intends to use fellowship to further their career. (2) The quality of the proposed research project: importance and scientific merit of the proposed research, clarity, quality, originality, likely contribution to the research field, clear definition and feasibility of research plan. (3) The suitability & strength of the UK Sponsor: track record in the area of proposed research, supervising & mentoring of early career researchers.
	(4) The suitability & strength of the host institution: access to appropriate expertise / equipment / facilities / resources / space during the award period; appropriate level of support & training opportunities for applicant's career development.
Research areas	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 guidance page. Subject Area (subject tags in application – select carefully) determines which panel your application is assigned to: Ai: Physics, Earth Science, Computer Science, Pure and Applied Mathematics – Aii: Engineering Aiii: Chemistry B: Biological Sciences
Call workshop	None
IOCB contact	Please inform the IOCB Project Office about your intention to apply. Do not hesitate to contact us anytime for consulting, discussion or help. projectoffice@uochb.cas.cz; Šárka Křížová +420 220 183 527
Download documents	Newton 2025 summary Newton 2025 Scheme Notes Newton 2025 FAQs
	Royal Society terms and conditions (July 2023)