In accordance with the Edith Elaine Cockell Bequest to The University of Western Australia, income from the Cockell Capital Fund shall be applied for the purposes of research into the cause and treatment of mental illness.

COCKELL RESEARCH COLLABORATION AWARDS

CONDITIONS

1. Introduction
   The Cockell Research Collaboration Awards have been established from income on funds bequeathed to The University of Western Australia by the late Edith Elaine Cockell for the purpose of facilitating research into the cause and treatment of mental illness.

   The Awards shall be administered by the Raine Medical Research Foundation Research Committee.

2. Definitions
   (a) “The Awards” refer to the Cockell Research Collaboration Awards.
   (b) “The Research Committee” is the Raine Medical Research Foundation Research Committee.
   (c) “Postdoctoral” refers to the date of conferral of the applicant’s PhD award or equivalent clinical qualification.
   (d) “Early-career researcher” is a medical research scientist/clinician who is within seven years of the conferral date of the applicant’s PhD award or equivalent professional/clinical qualification.
   (e) “Mid-career researcher” is a medical research scientist/clinician who is within 15 years of the conferral date of the applicant’s PhD award or equivalent professional/clinical qualification.
   (f) Senior scientist/clinician is a medical research scientist or clinician who is above 15 years’ of the conferral date of the applicant’s PhD award or equivalent professional/clinical qualification.

3. Title
   Cockell Research Collaboration Awards

4. Purpose
   The purpose of the Awards is to –
   (i) encourage all medical research scientists employed by The University of Western Australia, from early-career, mid-career to senior scientist, to develop international research collaborations that investigates the cause and treatment of mental illness;
   (ii) facilitate cross-institutional ties with top academic institutions that lead to long-term alliances and advanced clinical knowledge into the cause and treatment of mental illness;
   (iii) support the establishment of research partnerships and foster global networking that seek a better understanding of the cause and treatment of mental illness.

   Collaborations may involve participants from any institution outside the State of Western Australia; however the strength of the collaborating partner will be a key consideration in the assessment of applications for these Awards.

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5. **Eligibility**
Candidates shall –

(i) hold a full-time or fractional (at least 0.4 FTE) UWA appointment at the time of award and for the duration of the award;

(ii) hold a postdoctoral degree, or equivalent clinical/professional qualification;

(iii) be involved in research into the cause and treatment of mental illness.

6. **Application Procedure**
Applicants are asked to please email their completed application form as outlined in the application form, to lyn.ellis@uwa.edu.au

(1) Application Form

(2) *Curriculum vitae* of applicant (upper limit four pages), with a separate list of the applicant’s best 5-7 scientific papers published over the past seven years, including the journal Impact Factor and its ranking within the discipline.

(3) *Reference List Relevant to the Proposal* (one-page)
Include at least five citations to references from the collaborating group which are considered key to the proposed research collaboration, marked with an asterisk.

**Letter of Support**
A letter of support from the external institution(s), outlining their willingness and capacity to contribute to the research, as well as details of any funding contribution provided. This may be written by their Head of School (or appropriate representative). Please email this as a separate document together with the application.

7. **Value**
A maximum of $15,000 shall be available for each award.

1. Funding may be requested for costs directly associated in developing the collaboration, such as: travel; accommodation; workshops.

2. Minor funding for project and publishing costs may be considered for funding.

3. Funding will not be provided for teaching, salaries, scholarships or computers.

4. Economy-class travel only will be considered. All travel must be consistent with The University of Western Australia’s Travel Policy: [http://www.finserv.uwa.edu.au/travel-at-uwa/travel/policy](http://www.finserv.uwa.edu.au/travel-at-uwa/travel/policy)

5. Projects already partly funded from other sources shall clearly indicate the value of funds received and their allocation to research expenses for which Cockell Research Collaboration Award funding is requested.

8. **Assessment**
The assessment process shall be administered by the Research Committee.

The assessment criteria for an award shall be based upon –

(i) Candidate track record, relative to career level and opportunity (30%).

(ii) Collaborative research potential – the proposal shall outline strategies for the building of productive, sustainable, long-term research collaborations in the field of mental illness, linking the University with top national and international academic institutions (40%).

(iii) Measurable outputs – expected outcomes and demonstrable results of the collaboration, as identified in the proposal. This may include, for example, joint research projects, co-authored scientific publications, combined funding applications, or the advancement of research skills and techniques into the cause and treatment of mental illness (30%).
9. **Intellectual Property**

Award recipients are required to comply with the Intellectual Property requirements as described in the Raine Priming Grant Conditions of Application, at Clause 8 (see: http://www.raine.uwa.edu.au/awards-grants/grants)

10. **Management of Awards and Funding**

1. Awards may not be deferred to a later year.

2. Award recipients are required to comply with the financial obligations set down in these Conditions, with responsibility to –

   (i) Manage and be accountable for the expenditure of funds awarded;

   (ii) Maintain a high standard of governance;

   (iii) Obtain prior approval from the Research Committee for any proposed deviation from the approved budget, or to the completion date of award.

3. Award funding shall be –

   (i) administered by The University of Western Australia office of Financial Services; and

   (ii) used only for the purposes approved by the Research Committee.

4. Award funding that is –

   (i) used for purposes other than that for which it was awarded, shall be recoverable by the Cockell Bequest Capital Fund;

   (ii) unspent by the end of the first quarter following the 12-month grant period, will be recouped by the University and returned to the Cockell Bequest Fund, unless prior approval to carry forward the funds has been obtained from the Research Committee.

11. **Reporting and Statutory Requirements**

   (i) Compliance Requirements for: Human or Animal Experimentation; and/or Use of Recombinant Nucleic Acids.

   It is the responsibility of the award recipient to obtain, from the appropriate ethics or safety committee, approval for any research involving animal or human experimental subjects, or the use of genetically altered materials. Where applicable, funding may not be awarded until the required approval number/certificate is submitted.

   (ii) Reporting Requirement -

   Award recipients will be required to submit a report within three months of completion of the project, or by 31 March of the year following the award (whichever comes first). Reports are to detail all activities undertaken with RCA funding and should identify key outcomes, such as:

   - dissemination of knowledge and expertise gained from the collaboration;
   - submissions and publications (with Journal Impact Factor and citations to date, where available);
   - grant applications and approvals (planned and submitted);
   - research training and advancement of skills and/or technical knowledge;
   - an indication of the project’s sustainability over the long-term

   Final Reports shall be emailed to Lyn Ellis at lyn.ellis@uwa.edu.au


12. **Acknowledgement**

Publications arising from research facilitated by the Awards shall acknowledge the support provided by the E E Cockell Bequest and host facility.

*The Research Committee, representing the Edith E Cockell Bequest, reserves the right not to make an award.*

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