

Guidelines for submission of CwCUK preliminary application for Clinical PhD & Training Studentships



Clinical PhD Studentships in Leukaemia and Lymphoma 2018

Children with Cancer UK are pleased to announce the availability of two 3-year Clinical PhD Studentships specialising in the field of leukaemia and lymphoma in children and young adults, aged 0 – 24 years.

Grant funding for these studentships will be provided by Children with Cancer UK, partly derived from a generous donation from the Children's Leukaemia Trust.

The studentship aims to offer an opportunity for clinicians to develop a robust research foundation and provide the first step in the pursuit of an independent career as a leader in clinical research. The proposed research project must be hypothesis driven and represent an area of research, which you intend to further develop in your future career. It is important that you include the aims and objectives of the research together with the techniques and training required to deliver them. Devising a justified programme of development and demonstrating knowledge and appreciation of research methodologies are vital attributes in the pursuit of a PhD and further research experience.

Studentship funding includes the applicant's salary cost, according to the relevant grade and scale, and basic research costs of up to £30,000 per annum to support basic laboratory costs and attendance and relevant conferences and meetings. PhDs are capped at £250,000 over three years.

Please note that application for a one-year MRes is not available in this grant round and in Question 2 of the preliminary application form, the box labeled "PhD Studentship" is pre-ticked.

Prospective applicants should submit:

1. Completed preliminary application form.
2. A copy of the applicant's CV on no more than two sides of A4.

and

3. A copy of the CV of the proposed principal PhD supervisor on template Form B.

Children with Cancer UK's independent Scientific Advisory Panel (SAP) will assess preliminary applications on the following four criteria:

1. Quality of the applicant in terms of ability, career direction and commitment to clinical research in cancer in children and young adults;

2. Importance and viability of the chosen PhD research topic;
3. Quality and effectiveness of the available PhD supervision;
4. Extent and quality of the support provided by the host institution.

Selected candidates will form a shortlist to be invited to proceed to a second stage application.

Please send completed documentation by email as a Word document to joseph.bryan@childrenwithcancer.org.uk by **5pm on 31st August 2018**. Please remember to include a copy of your CV on no more than two sides of A4, plus a copy of the CV of the principal supervisor on template Form B. Please do not send any other documents.

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