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**CALL FOR PROPOSALS FOR SEED FUNDING GRANTS IN INFECTIOUS DISEASES AND CANCER**

***Application form and instructions***

*Information and instructions:*

* *Applications must be completed on the Application Form provided in the MS-Word format. Applications may not exceed two (2) narrative pages, plus one (1) milestones/budget page. Applications longer than that will not be considered.*
* *The proposal will use Arial font, size 11, Narrow margin layout, single line spacing, per this template.*
* *Remove the “Information and instructions” text and any Example Text (italics) from the final document so that only your final proposed project text remains. Email the final version in PDF format to* [***idori.research@wits.ac.za***](mailto:idori.research@wits.ac.za) *by Monday, 13 November 2023; 12h00 (SAST).*

1. **Proposed project name:**
2. List of key project personnel:

*List of key personnel, their institutional role, institution, dept, and discipline/specialty [indicate their project role in brackets, e.g. Principal Investigator (PI), Early Career Researcher (ECR), collaborator, mentor, etc – please write any abbreviations out in full]: e.g. Dr Joe Bloggs, Senior Researcher, Wits, Department of Pathology, histopathology and genomics [PI]*

1. Background and Rationale: *(max 100 words)*
2. Study Aim, Hypotheses, Primary (and secondary, where relevant) Objective(s) *(max 100 words)*
3. Study design: *(max 200 words)*
4. Describe how findings from this proposal may be pivotal for future proposals for funding to external agencies/foundations/organisations *(max 100 words)*
5. Describe how the proposed project could advance careers of early career researchers *(max 100 words)*
6. Articulate a vision for this proposed pilot project and subsequent larger projects. What is the pathway to life-saving, disease burden reducing outcomes *(max 100 words)*
7. Any other information not covered in the previous sections *(optional question; max 100 words)*
8. Provide milestones and relevant timelines: *(please indicate the months by colouring in black, or by filling in with an X)*

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| Objectives / aims / tasks | | **2024** | | | | | | | | | | | | **2025** | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| *Eg1* | *Example 1 Review the literature* |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| *Eg2* | *Example 2 Calibrate method 1* |  |  | *X* | *X* | *X* | *X* |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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1. Budget *(should total between R350k-R500k for the proposed project)*

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| No. | Expenditure description in full | Quantity | Unit cost (ZAR) | Total (ZAR) |
| *Eg1* | *Extraction kit ABC123* | *5* | *R1000/kit* | *R5,000* |
| *Eg2* | *Research assistant #1 for protein purification (HR Peromnes job level AC12; ~R95/hr for 160hrs/month)* | *1* | *R15000/month* | *R15,000* |
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