NHMRC-A*STAR Joint Call for Research in Novel Molecular Mechanisms of Obesity and Metabolic Diseases in Singapore and Australia – Opening of Applications

Applications are now open for the NHMRC-A*STAR Joint Call for Research in Novel Molecular Mechanisms of Obesity and Metabolic Diseases in Singapore and Australia. Funding Rules and other essential documentation are available from the NHMRC-A*STAR website.

This joint call is for research into novel molecular mechanisms of obesity and metabolic diseases. The specific objectives of the joint call are to:

- generate new knowledge that will lead to novel approaches to manage metabolic diseases and obesity to translate into policy and practice
- foster co-investment with international partners in research programs of joint interest that will involve researchers based in Singapore and Australia
- increase the level of scientific skills and technological capabilities between Singapore and Australia
- build further collaborations between Singapore and Australian researchers.

Applications should focus on molecular mechanisms of metabolic diseases characterised by high blood pressure, insulin resistance, high cholesterol or unhealthy weight gain/retention related to obesity including, but not limited to, genetics, epigenetics, genomics, neurobiology and microbiomes. This might include research to identify new biomarkers or new intervention targets.

This call will NOT fund research in the broad research area of public health, health services or health promotion and/or applications.

Important dates are as follows:

UQ internal close for full applications: Wednesday 1 March 2017.
Minimum data requirements in RGMS: 4 pm (QLD) Wednesday 1 March 2017, by 2.00 pm Singapore Time (SGT)/5.00 pm Australian Eastern Daylight Time (AEDT).

Review Process
Once completed applications are submitted internally, UQR&I undertakes a review of all proposals and provides applicant teams with feedback before finalising applications for submission to the NHMRC by its external deadline on (4pm Qld) Wednesday 22 March 2017.

Queries on the schemes may be directed to nhmrc@research.uq.edu.au

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