

# University of Melbourne, Baker Department of Cardiometabolic Health

## Seed Funding – Round 1, 2022

### Summary

- Funding to a maximum of \$100,000 per grant
- Funding term **January 2022 – December 2022**
- Notice of Intent due **Monday 13 September 2021**
- Selected applications invited to present a 10 minute pitch **21 September 2021**
- To apply, submit the NOI fillable pdf form (download and save first) **or** word form to:  
[leonie.cullen@baker.edu.au](mailto:leonie.cullen@baker.edu.au)

### Seed funding Scheme

The University of Melbourne and the Baker Institute are joint funding a seed grant scheme, as part of the continued growth of the Department. The research must be impactful and the collaborative team providing a meaningful contribution to the Baker department and University.

There is funding available to a maximum of \$100k per grant for a term of 12 months.

### Purpose

The seed funding is to promote collaborative projects with a team of researchers from the Baker Institute and The University of Melbourne under the Baker Department of Cardiometabolic Health.

The establishment of successful teams will increase the potential to progress to successful externally funded grants.

### Criteria

1. Impactful research aligned with the goals of the Department (<https://baker.edu.au/research/cardiometabolic-health>)
2. Meaningful collaboration between a Baker Institute and University research group lead by a member of the Cardiometabolic Health Department. A background of collaboration will be valued, and funding will be dependent on collaborative milestone achievements in a manageable timeline.
3. The ability to outline a clear pathway to a grant application and include the target grant type and round (i.e. date) required.
4. Maximum of 1 submission per Principal Investigator. Groups with a CIA on a current seed grant are ineligible. Previously successful CIA's are ineligible to submit as a CIA on a new grant, but may form part of the investigator team on a new application.

## Process

- Submission of the NOI due by Monday **13 September 2021**.
- The brief NOI requires Title, CIs (incl career stage), Grant target, Grant history for this topic and scores, Hypothesis/aims, Background/preliminary data in bullet point, Brief methods, expected outcomes.
- Applications will be shortlisted by mid-October based on the criteria by a panel comprised of Head of Department, Head of the Medical School and other nominated academics.
- Selected applications will be invited to present an oral project pitch (10 min) on **21 September**.
- Shortlisted teams will be invited to submit a full application for submission by: **15 November 2021**.
- Aim for project to **start January 2022**.

## Terms and Conditions

- Investigators are to be appointed honoraries of the Baker Department of Cardiometabolic Health.
- Submission of future grants based on the project to be submitted through the Baker Department.
- An initial and final talk based on the project to be presented to the Department.
- Quarterly progress reports required.