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28 June 2024

Dear [REDACTED],

**Freedom of Information request: FOI2024/00505**

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request received on the 6 June in which you requested the following:

**Your request:**

*For Transforming Cancer Therapeutics:*

1. The total number of submitted applications
  2. The number of assessed applications
  3. The number of successful applications
  4. The success rate
  5. the minimum successful score
  6. the maximum successful score
  7. maximum score of failed applications
  8. average grant fund value per project
  9. the score distributions of the applications (e.g. % (or number) of applications which scored <70, 71-75, 76-80, 81-85, 86+)
  10. the count of applications by innovation area
  11. the count of successful projects by innovation area
  12. The number of successful projects that were a consortium of 2 partners
  13. The number of successful projects that were a consortium of 3+ partners
  14. The number of successful projects which included a university or research partner
  15. The number of applications which included a university or research partner
  16. the number of 1) applications and 2) successful projects with total project cost within £100k increments
- I would also like to request the number of unsuccessful applications, if any, which scored above the minimum funded score, please.

**Our response**

I can confirm that UK Research and Innovation (UKRI) hold information relevant to your request. Please see the information below.

Table 1 - Questions 1-8

Questions	Answers
1. The total number of submitted applications	60
2. The number of assessed applications	56
3. The number of successful applications	16
4. The success rate	28.6%
5. The minimum successful score	74.2
6. The maximum successful score	86.4
7. Maximum score of failed applications	82.2
8. Average grant fund value per project	£690,808.25

Question 9

Table 2 - 9a. the score distributions of the applications (Successful, Rejected) (e.g. % (or number) of applications which scored <70, 71-75, 76-80, 81-85, 86+)

Score <sup>1</sup> Range	Numbers	Percentage
<=70	18	45.0%
70.1-75	8	20.0%
75.1-80	11	27.5%
80.1-85	3	7.5%
Total	40	100.0%

Table 3 - 9b. the score distributions of the Successful applications (e.g. % (or number) of applications which scored <70, 71-75, 76-80, 81-85, 86+)

Score <sup>1</sup> Range	Numbers	Percentage
<=70	0	0.0%
70.1-75	1	6.3%
75.1-80	9	56.3%
80.1-85	5	31.3%
85.1-90	1	6.3%
Total	16	100%

Table 4 - Questions 10-15

Questions	Answers
10. The count of applications by innovation area (Therapeutic and medicine development)	56
11. The count of successful projects by innovation area (Therapeutic and medicine development)	16
12. The number of successful projects that were a consortium of 2 partners	6
13. The number of successful projects that were a consortium of 3+ partners	0
14. The number of successful projects which included a university or research partner	5
15. The number of applications which included a university or research partner	18

Table 5 - Question 16

Funding Level	All Applications	Accepted Applications	Rejected Applications
£90,000-99,999	1	0	1
£100,000-199,999	2	0	2
£200,000-299,999	7	2	5
£300,000-399,999	7	3	4
£400,000-499,999	10	5	5
£500,000-599,999	4	2	2
£600,000-699,999	3	1	2
£700,000-799,999	3	0	3
£800,000-899,999	0	0	0
£900,000-999,999	2	0	2
1000000 or more	17	3	14
Total	56	16	40

Table 6 - Question 17

Questions	Answers
17. I would also like to request the number of unsuccessful applications, if any, which scored above the minimum funded score, please.	16

A portfolio approach was taken to the allocation of funding for these competitions. Further information on the portfolio approach can be found at the [Innovate UK General Guidance](#)<sup>1</sup> webpage.

If you have any queries regarding our response or you are unhappy with the outcome of your request and wish to seek an internal review of the decision, please contact within the next 40 working days:

Head of Information Governance


Email: [foi@ukri.org](mailto:foi@ukri.org)

Please quote the reference number above in any future communications.

If you are still not content with the outcome of the internal review, you may apply to refer the matter to the Information Commissioner for a decision. Generally, the ICO cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted the review procedure provided by UKRI. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: [www.ico.org.uk](http://www.ico.org.uk).

If you wish to raise a complaint regarding the service you have received or the conduct of any UKRI staff in relation to your request, please see [UKRI's complaints policy](#)<sup>2</sup>.

Yours sincerely,

  
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<sup>1</sup> [https://www.ukri.org/councils/innovate-uk/guidance-for-applicants/general-guidance/what-happens-after-you-have-submitted-your-application/?\\_ga=2.70744656.1770083017.1663756381-2126497687.1663161362#contents-list](https://www.ukri.org/councils/innovate-uk/guidance-for-applicants/general-guidance/what-happens-after-you-have-submitted-your-application/?_ga=2.70744656.1770083017.1663756381-2126497687.1663161362#contents-list)

<sup>2</sup> <https://www.ukri.org/who-we-are/contact-us/make-a-complaint/#skipnav-target>