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8 May 2026

Dear [REDACTED],

**Freedom of Information request: FOI2026/00315**

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request received on the 10 April in which you requested the following:

**Your request:**

*For Innovate UK's Battery Innovation Programme Round 1 competition, please could you release the following information for the Concept Development strand:*

1. *The number of applications submitted.*
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. *The maximum score of failed applications.*
8. *The average grant fund value per project.*
9. *The average score of funded projects.*
10. *The average number of partners within consortiums for successful applications.*
11. *The count of assessed applications by theme (Theme 1: UK equipment manufacturing and process capability for cell and battery production, Theme 2: UK battery reuse, recovery and recycling, Theme 3: UK battery sector with localised battery supply chain and industrial resilience). If it is the case that some applicants submitted under more than one theme, please capture the most popular theme submitted into.*
12. *The count of successful applications by theme. If it is the case that some applicants were successful under more than one theme, please capture the most popular theme funded.*
13. *The number of unsuccessful applications, if any, which scored above the minimum funded score.*

**Our response**

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

Table 1: Questions 1-10:

Questions	Answers
1. <i>The number of applications submitted.</i>	68
2. <i>The number of assessed applications.</i>	63*
3. <i>The number of successful applications.</i>	10
4. <i>The success rate.</i>	15.87%
5. <i>The minimum successful score.</i>	74.9%
6. <i>The maximum successful score.</i>	85.7%
7. <i>The maximum score of failed applications.</i>	89.5%
8. <i>The average grant fund value per project.</i>	£1,770,025
9. <i>The average score of funded projects.</i>	78.7%
10. <i>The average number of partners within consortiums for successful applications.</i>	3.3

\*Applications that do not meet the eligibility or scope requirements of the competition are not sent for assessment.

11. *The count of assessed applications by theme (Theme 1: UK equipment manufacturing and process capability for cell and battery production, Theme 2: UK battery reuse, recovery and recycling, Theme 3: UK battery sector with localised battery supply chain and industrial resilience). If it is the case that some applicants submitted under more than one theme, please capture the most popular theme submitted into.*

Theme	Count of Assessed Applications
Theme 1	19
Theme 2	17
Theme 3	21
Theme 1 & 3*	2
Theme 1, 2 & 3*	1
Not Specified	3

\*The most popular theme could not be determined from the application response.

12. *The count of successful applications by theme. If it is the case that some applicants were successful under more than one theme, please capture the most popular theme funded.*

Theme	Count of Successful Applications
Theme 1	3
Theme 2	3
Theme 3	4
Theme 1 & 3	0
Theme 1, 2 & 3	0
Not Specified	0

13. *The number of unsuccessful applications, if any, which scored above the minimum funded score.*

25 applications scored above the minimum funded score but were unsuccessful in their application.

Projects were selected using a portfolio approach in this competition to ensure a balanced mix aligned with the competition brief. Rather than selecting similar proposals, the portfolio reflects diversity across technologies, costs, markets, applications, technology areas, and stages of maturity. In particular, consideration was given to how projects collectively contribute across the battery value chain and support priority areas for the UK economy.

## Your rights

If you have any queries regarding our response please do let us know. If you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review, explaining which elements of this decision you disagree with and why. Internal review requests should be submitted within 40 working days of the date of our response and should be addressed to:

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 procedure](#)<sup>1</sup>.

<sup>1</sup> <https://www.ukri.org/who-we-are/contact-us/make-a-complaint/#skipnav-target>

Yours sincerely,



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