



[REDACTED]

6 August 2021

Dear [REDACTED],

Freedom of Information request: FOI2021/00335

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request received on the 20 July in which you requested the following:

Your request:

If the information is available and you are able to share it could you please answer the following requests:

For the SMART AUGUST and NOVEMBER 2020 competition, for both the <18 month (<£500k) and >18 month streams:

1. *The number of applications*
2. *The number of successful applications*
3. *The success rate*
4. *The minimum successful score*
5. *The maximum successful score*
6. *Maximum score of failed applications*
7. *Average grant fund value per project*
8. *Total funds allocated*
9. *The score distributions of the applications (e.g. % (or number) of applications which scored <70, 70-75, 76-80, 81-85, 86+)*
10. *The count of successful projects by innovation area for each strand.*

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

Under Section 21, information already reasonably accessible, of the FOIA the following information you have requested is already available in the public domain:

- [Requested statistics for the Smart Grants: August 2020 competition](https://ukri.disclosurelog.co.uk/case/c73e0ee5-9d3d-448d-af4e-9e8f76fdc5e6)¹
- [Requested statistics for the Smart Grants: November 2020 competition](https://ukri.disclosurelog.co.uk/case/1b92aabc-2cda-4a12-acbb-cb33677e4272)²

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Section 21 is an absolute exemption which means that there is no requirement to conduct a public interest test.

¹ <https://ukri.disclosurelog.co.uk/case/c73e0ee5-9d3d-448d-af4e-9e8f76fdc5e6>

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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:

Head of Information Governance


Email: foi@ukri.org or infogovernance@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: <http://www.ico.gov.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: <https://www.ukri.org/about-us/policies-and-standards/complaints-policy/>

Yours sincerely,


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