



30 January 2025

Dear [REDACTED],

**Freedom of Information request: FOI2024/01142**

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request received on the 2 December and subsequent clarification, received on 2 January, in which you requested the following:

**Your request:**

*For the following grant awards available through UKRI:*

- *Investor partnerships - future economy*
- *Development Pathway Funding Stream (DPFS)*
- *Smart Grants*
- *Biomedical Catalyst*

*Where data is available for the last three financial years (or three financial years where there is complete data), I would like to know for each UK region:*

- *Number of applications*
- *Number of successful awards*
- *Total value of grant awards*

*If I could get the combined totals for each of the four funding streams outlined, per region, that would be great. I don't need (at this stage) a breakdown of each competition within each of the funding streams.*

**Our response:**

I can confirm that UK Research and Innovation (UKRI) holds information relevant to your request. Please see the information in Tables 1-4 below.

Please note, the data includes all competitions for each of the four funding streams that had a closing date of 1 April 2021 or later. Data has only been included for competitions where applicants have been informed of final funding decision outcomes.

The Future Economy Investor Partnerships, Smart Grants and Biomedical Catalyst funding streams are funded by Innovate UK, while the Developmental Pathway Funding Stream (DPFS) is a Medical Research Council funded opportunity.

The DPFS opportunity consists of a two-stage application process, where an application must be successful at stage 1 (outline) in order to apply for stage 2 (full). Further details are available [here](#)<sup>1</sup>. We have only included applications in the data below to stage 1 who have subsequently then had the opportunity to apply for stage 2 and thus receive a final funding decision.

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<sup>1</sup> <https://www.ukri.org/what-we-do/browse-our-areas-of-investment-and-support/developmental-pathway-funding-scheme-dpfs/>

However, it should also be noted that successful applicants at stage 1 are not required to apply for stage 2 at the next available opportunity, therefore some of the applicants included below may still be eligible to receive funding and thus success rates could increase.

**Table 1: Future Economy Investor Partnerships**

Region	No of Applications	No of Successful Awards	Total Value of Grant Awards
East Midlands	6	0	£0
East of England	26	13	£6,633,025
London	44	14	£7,029,456
North East	16	5	£2,074,511
North West	19	5	£2,274,234
Northern Ireland	1	0	£0
Scotland	11	3	£1,842,018
South East	19	7	£4,223,130
South West	16	8	£3,421,595
Wales	3	1	£461,071
West Midlands	8	3	£1,002,654
Yorkshire and The Humber	17	5	£1,818,126
No Data Given	9	3	£2,007,894
<b>Total</b>	<b>195</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>£32,787,714</b>

**Table 2: Developmental Pathway Funding Scheme**

Region	No of Applications	No of Successful Awards	Total Value of Grant Awards
East Midlands	30	4	£5,817,962
East of England	16	1	£626,003
London	156	27	£50,457,568
North East	16	4	£5,954,875
North West	44	8	£13,369,965
Northern Ireland	16	3	£2,723,848
Scotland	45	8	£19,272,946
South East	58	9	£14,738,663
South West	17	0	£0
Wales	16	4	£9,704,323
West Midlands	29	4	£3,396,527
Yorkshire and The Humber	24	3	£2,856,313
No Data Given	0	0	£0
<b>Total</b>	<b>467</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>£128,918,992</b>

**Table 3: Smart Grants**

Region	No of Applications	No of Successful Awards	Total Value of Grant Awards
East Midlands	562	66	£13,143,523
East of England	1245	145	£28,385,816
London	5512	609	£103,701,768
North East	302	38	£6,166,348
North West	1047	117	£24,700,930
Northern Ireland	194	33	£6,189,770
Scotland	699	69	£10,487,658
South East	2069	214	£33,995,786
South West	1019	124	£27,993,278
Wales	379	44	£8,415,520
West Midlands	752	67	£13,223,834
Yorkshire and The Humber	618	67	£15,044,247
No Data Given	396	26	£5,167,446
<b>Total</b>	<b>14794</b>	<b>1619</b>	<b>£296,615,924</b>

**Table 4: Biomedical Catalyst**

Region	No of Applications	No of Successful Awards	Total Value of Grant Awards
East Midlands	60	9	£6,268,529
East of England	279	39	£18,082,010
London	499	71	£30,925,257
North East	54	13	£5,366,287
North West	126	22	£10,455,827
Northern Ireland	47	12	£6,308,199
Scotland	108	20	£11,966,186
South East	296	47	£29,562,382
South West	106	20	£10,687,304
Wales	48	7	£3,504,881
West Midlands	68	7	£2,492,468
Yorkshire and The Humber	84	9	£4,971,507
No Data Given	24	1	£99,611
<b>Total</b>	<b>1799</b>	<b>277</b>	<b>£140,690,448</b>

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>2</sup>.

Yours sincerely,

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