

8th September 2023

Dear [REDACTED]

Freedom of Information request: FOI2023/00611

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request received on the 14 August 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 January 2023 competition, for both the <18 month (<£500k) and >18 month streams:

- * The number of applications
- * The number of successful applications
- * The success rate
- * the minimum successful score
- * the maximum successful score
- * maximum score of failed applications
- * average grant fund value per project
- * the score distributions of the applications (e.g. % (or number) of applications which scored <70, 71-75, 76-80, 81-85, 86+)
- * the count of successful projects by innovation area for each strand.
- * the number of 1) applications and 2) successful projects with total project cost within £100k increments across both Streams.

Our response

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

	Stream 1 (6-18 months)	Stream 2 (19-36 months)	Total
1. The number of applications.	Applications are not divided by stream prior to eligibility checks being completed. There were 1716 applications submitted.		
2. The number of successful applications.	41	5	46
3. The success rate.	3.0%	3.5%	
4. The minimum successful score.	85.7%	88%	
5. The maximum successful score.	95.4%	91.3%	
6. Maximum score of failed applications.	85.4%	87%	
7. Average grant fund value per project.	£282,624.00	£692,734.00	£327,201.00

8. The score distributions of the applications (e.g. % (or number) of applications which scored <70, 71-75, 76-80, 81-85, 86+)

Score ¹ Range	Number		
	6-18 months	19-36 months	Total
0-70	723	52	775
70.1-75	263	36	299
75.1-80	200	28	228
80.1-85	121	16	137
85.1-90	41	8	49
90.1-95	3	1	4
95.1-100	1	0	1

¹ All scores are the written assessment scores and are given as percentages

9. The count of successful projects by innovation area for each strand.

Innovation Area	6-18 months	19-36 months	Total number
Blank	2	0	2
Biosciences	1	0	1
Ceramic / electronic / functional materials	1	0	1
Chemical / bio processes	1	0	1
Composite materials	1	0	1
Connected transport	1	0	1
Creative industries	2	0	2
Diagnostics, medical technology and devices	3	0	3
Digital health	2	0	2
Digital industries	9	0	9
Digital manufacturing	2	0	2
Digital technology	5	1	6
Electronic materials and manufacturing	1	0	1
Emerging technology	1	0	1
Energy - other	2	1	3
Energy systems	1	0	1
Materials, process and manufacturing design technologies	0	1	1
Metals / metallurgy	1	0	1
Nanotechnology / nanomaterials	0	1	1
Resource efficiency	2	0	2
Sustainable materials	2	1	3
Therapeutic and medicine development	1	0	1
Grand Total	41	5	46

10. The number of 1) applications and 2) successful projects with total project cost within £100k increments across both Streams.

6-18 months			19-36 months		
Project Costs	Assessed	Funded	Project Costs	Assessed	Funded
100000-199999	145	1	100000-199999	2	0
200000-299999	174	7	200000-299999	3	0
300000-399999	237	5	300000-399999	1	0

400000-500000	796	28
Grand Total	1352	41

400000-499999	3	0
500000-599999	5	0
600000-699999	9	0
700000-799999	14	1
800000-899999	14	1
900000-999999	9	0
1000000-1099999	6	0
1100000-1199999	11	0
1200000-1299999	12	1
1300000-1399999	7	0
1400000-1499999	11	0
1500000-1599999	4	1
1600000-1699999	7	0
1700000-1799999	5	0
1800000-1899999	1	0
1900000-2000000	17	1
Grand Total	141	5

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

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.

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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