24 November 2021

Dear ██████████,

**Freedom of Information request: FOI2021/00493**

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request received on the 14 November in which you requested the following:

**Your request:**

*Part A*
*For the EPSRC postdoctoral fellowship program (see https://www.ukri.org/opportunity/epsrc-postdoctoral-fellowship/), I want to know the following information. This request includes all the applications that have been received since the program opened and up until today, the 14th of November, 2021.*

*A.1.- Total number of applications that this program has received*
*A.2.- Total number of applications that progressed to the prioritisation panel*
*A.3.- Total number of applications that progressed to the interview stage*
*A.4.- Total number of applications that were successful and received funding from the EPSRC.*
*A.5.- From those applications of point A.4 (successful applications), I want to know the following:*
    *A.5.1.- Total funding awarded by the EPSRC for each successful application*
    *A.5.2.- Name of the research host organisation that will host each successful applicant*
    *A.5.3.- Name (title) of the project that was funded*

*Part B*
*For the EPSRC synthetic biology postdoctoral fellowship program (see https://www.ukri.org/opportunity/epsrc-synthetic-biology-postdoctoral-fellowship/), I want to know the following information. This request includes all the applications that have been received since the program opened and up until today, the 14th of November, 2021.*

*B.1.- Total number of applications that this program has received*
*B.2.- Total number of applications that progressed to the prioritisation panel*
*B.3.- Total number of applications that progressed to the interview stage*
*B.4.- Total number of applications that were successful and received funding from the EPSRC.*
*B.5.- From those applications of point B.4 (successful applications), I want to know the following:*
    *B.5.1.- Total funding awarded by the EPSRC for each successful application*
    *B.5.2.- Name of the research host organisation that will host each successful applicant*
    *B.5.3.- Name (title) of the project that was funded*

**Our response:**

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

Both the EPSRC postdoctoral fellowship program and the EPSRC synthetic biology postdoctoral fellowship program are open and ongoing opportunities with a number of applications that are still in the assessment stage, as such additional figures are provided for context. All figures are taken from data available as of 14 November 2021.

**EPSRC postdoctoral fellowship**

A total of 80 applications have been received for this program, of which a final decision has been made on 29. Of these 29 applications that have received a final decision, 24 progressed to the prioritisation panel and 5 progressed to the interview stage, with 1 application being successful and received funding from EPSRC.

Of the remaining 51 applications that are still in progress, 49 are currently under initial review and 2 are awaiting a final decision.

The details of the successful application to date are as follows:

Total funding: £305,811.57
Research organisation hosting the successful applicant: Queen Mary University of London
Title of the funded project: Modular representation theory, Hilbert modular forms and the geometric Breuil-Mézard conjecture

**EPSRC synthetic biology postdoctoral fellowship**

A total of 7 applications have been received for this program, of which a final decision has been made on 3. Of these 3 applications that have received a final decision, 1 progressed to the prioritisation panel and 0 progressed to the interview stage. No applications have yet been successful and received funding from EPSRC.

Of the remaining 4 applications that are still in progress, 3 are currently under initial review and 1 is awaiting interview.

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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