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| **PtD Exchange & Explore Application Form** | | |
| Prior to submission, all applications **must** have been discussed with your college Business Engagement Partner: for MDS, Anne Simper ([a.simper@bham.ac.uk](mailto:a.simper@bham.ac.uk), 0771 744 1014, 0121 414 4056, 0121 371 8019), or Cathy Wardius ([c.a.wardius@bham.ac.uk](mailto:a.simper@bham.ac.uk), 0796 699 6429), or Jo Smith (J.L.J.Smith@bham.ac.uk, 0121 414 4056), for LES, Holly Searson (H.L.Searson@bham.ac.uk, 0797 039 7568) and for EPS, Richard Fox ([r.fox@bham.ac.uk](mailto:r.fox@bham.ac.uk), 0121 414 8921) or Sam Hickman ([s.j.hickman@bham.ac.uk](mailto:s.j.hickman@bham.ac.uk), 0121 414 4271).  As noted in the guidance notes, if the Industry partner wishes to part-own resulting IP, collaborations and contributions should be captured using Section 4: Industrial Parties’ Contributions from the MRC’s Industry Collaboration Agreement ([MICA](http://www.mrc.ac.uk/innovation/mrc-industry-collaboration-agreement-mica/)) form.  Applications to the MRC PtD E&E fund must be made using this Exchange and Explore application form and submitted via Vicky Kosti ([V.Kosti@bham.ac.uk](mailto:V.Kosti@bham.ac.uk)) and Guojin Liu ([G.Liu.1@bham.ac.uk](mailto:G.Liu.1@bham.ac.uk)). If the Industry partner wishes to part-own resulting IP you will also need to submit section 4 of the [MICA](http://www.mrc.ac.uk/innovation/mrc-industry-collaboration-agreement-mica/) Form and a letter of support (if the University will fully own resulting IP a MICA Form/supporting letter is not required). On submission, your application will be considered by the internal MRC CiC Steering Group. Where possible, a funding decision will be made within one week. | | |
| **Lead Applicant Details** | | |
| Name |  | |
| School / College |  | |
| Telephone / Email |  | |
| **Industry Details** | | |
| Company Name |  | |
| Contact (inc position) |  | |
| Telephone / Email |  | |
| Address |  | |
| **Project Title** | | |
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| **Project Summary –** Please give a brief overview of the fundamental science behind the project, the research team, and how you plan to progress this project beyond E&E funding. [Suggested 500 words] | | |
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| **Rationale and Objectives -** Why have you chosen this company as a potential industrial collaborator? What are the objectives of the proposed project? [Suggested 250 words] | | |
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| **Project Plan –** Please give details of planned activities, the outputs, expected start and end dates and the costs associated with each. [Suggested 750 words] | | |
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| **Planned People Exchange –** Please give details of who will be involved in the “exchange”, which may include one or more of the lead applicant, postdoc, technician etc. Applications of up to £10k (consumables only, i.e. no staffing costs) are welcomed. This can support exchange into and out of industry, including some elements of personal support for travel /accommodation. [Suggested 250 words] | | |
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| **Pilot Data –** Where possible, please include preliminary data to support your application. | | |
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| **Global Challenge** | | |
| *We do not expect all CiC applications to address global challenges, but where your research does please note that you do not have to work with specific partners from the* [*DAC list*](http://www.oecd.org/dac/stats/documentupload/DAC%20List%20of%20ODA%20Recipients%202014%20final.pdf) *however you do need to demonstrate how your research proposal will deliver primary benefits to Lower and Middle Income Countries (LMIC) countries in the long-term, and how you will deliver this pathway to impact.* | | |
| Is your research of direct and primary relevance within LMIC settings? | | Yes / No |
| If so, please give details of which countries from the [*DAC list*](http://www.oecd.org/dac/stats/documentupload/DAC%20List%20of%20ODA%20Recipients%202014%20final.pdf) *(any country on list is eligible)* your research is relevant to? | |  |

**Next stages**

The application should be **completely** filled in and **signed** by the Lead Applicant and an electronic copy of the application **emailed** to Vicky Kosti ([V.Kosti@bham.ac.uk](mailto:V.Kosti@bham.ac.uk) ) **and** Guojin Liu ([G.Liu.1@bham.ac.uk](mailto:G.Liu.1@bham.ac.uk) ).

Applications for Rapid Response Mobility fund will be reviewed by the Chair of the MRC CiC/PtD panel and the Head of Research and Knowledge Transfer (or equivalent) with ratification where appropriate. Where possible, a funding decision will be made within 2 weeks. Award letters confirming details of the funding will then be sent to successful applicants.

All awardees will be required to complete an **Outcome Reporting Form** within one month of proposed travel activity and to provide informal updates on progress as/when requested. If relevant circumstances change that might adversely affect proposed activity then Vicky Kosti ([V.Kosti@bham.ac.uk](mailto:V.Kosti@bham.ac.uk) ) and Guojin Liu ([G.Liu.1@bham.ac.uk](mailto:G.Liu.1@bham.ac.uk) ) should be contacted immediately.

We thank people in advance for their cooperation, but point out that failure to comply will preclude consideration for further Proximity to Discovery funding.

**Declaration**

I, the Lead Applicant, declare that, to the best of my knowledge, the information provided in this application is true, accurate and complete.

I undertake to conduct any associated research in accordance to Medical Research Council (MRC) standard terms and conditions. I undertake to credit MRC Proximity to Discovery funding in any publications associated with this activity.

Signed: Date: