**Public Engagement Working Group: “Catalyst” funding**

**Application pro-forma**

*The University of Birmingham “Catalyst” fund will support any public engagement activities undertaken by staff and/or students which have biomedical research relevance, for which we encourage people to think as broadly as possible, including engineering, social sciences and arts-based researchers – see* [*http://www.wellcome.ac.uk/Funding/Public-engagement/index.htm*](http://www.wellcome.ac.uk/Funding/Public-engagement/index.htm) *for examples of the breadth of support intended. These activities could range from meetings with the public/patients to inform the design/delivery of research; interactive events in public spaces; partnership working with third sector organisations; or novel promotional/ dissemination activities. We would like to see creative proposals\*, especially those that might pump-prime further activity and provide good exemplars for other colleagues who might be interested in public engagement activity. Applications will be reviewed and money awarded within 2 weeks.*

*Please e-mail completed applications to Eliot Marston (*[*e.d.marston@bham.ac.uk*](mailto:e.d.marston@bham.ac.uk)*)*

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| **Name and School** |
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| **Outline of public engagement activity intended** *(200 words max)* |
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| **Indicative budget and timetable** *(note: money must be spent by 30th September 2012)* |
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| **Any additional value to wider UoB public engagement agenda** *(e.g filming short piece for website; willing to act as case study and/or mentor; new potential partnership links others could use)* |
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\*For current examples of good practice, please see:

[The INVOLVE briefing notes for researchers](http://www.invo.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2012/04/INVOLVEBriefingNotesApr2012.pdf)

[National Cancer Research Institute PPI guidance for chairs](http://www.ncri.org.uk/grantsmanship/includes/content/writing/PPI_Guidance_for_Chairs.pdf) (very broadly applicable across research areas)

[National Centre for Coordinating Public Engagement ‘How To Do It’](http://www.publicengagement.ac.uk/how) examples section