To: All Academic Staff From: Research Office (RO)



Reminder for Academic Colleagues: For co-ordination purpose, individual Faculty/School (F/S) may have its own administrative arrangements and internal deadlines on top of those provided by the RO. Academic colleagues are expected to satisfy all requirements when preparing their applications and seeking endorsement from their respective F/S before forwarding the materials to the RO.

The National Natural Science Foundation of China (NSFC) is now calling for applications for the following program of the "Major Research Plan 2023". Colleagues are invited to submit applications through the HKBU Institute for Research and Continuing Education (IRACE). Details are as follows:

Research	Information Decoding and Ordered Regulation of Tissue and Organ		
	Regeneration and Repair (組織器官再生修復的信息解碼及有序調控)		
Research Areas	1. New Models, Technologies and Methods for Tissue and Organ Regeneration and Repair 組織器官再生修復的新模型、新技術與新方法 2. Multi-Dimensional Information Decoding for Tissue and Organ Regeneration and Repair 組織器官再生修復的多維信息解碼 3. Mechanisms of Tissue and Organ Regeneration and Structural and Functional Reconstruction Disorders 組織器官再生與結構功能重構障礙的機制 4. The Orderly Regulation and Intervention Strategy of Tissue and Organ Regeneration and Repair 組織器官再生修復的有序調控與干預策略 5. Mechanisms of Epatic Regenerative Repair Disorders and Regulatory Intervention Strategies to Promote Regenerative repair 肝臟再生修復障礙的機制與促再生修復調控干預策略		
Eligibility	Principal Investigators (PIs) should meet the following requirements: - RAP above - With experience in undertaking basic research projects		
Funding Period	Incubation Projects: 3 Years (1 January 2024 – 31 December 2026) Key Support Projects: 4 Years (1 January 2024 – 31 December 2027) Integrated Projects: 4 Years (1 January 2024 – 31 December 2027)		
Funding Amount	Incubation Projects: RMB 0.6 million Key Support Projects: RMB 2.2 million Integrated Projects: RMB 4 million		

	Items	Action Parties
Application Procedures	1) Prepare and submit the application via the GRANTS System by 22 September 2023 (Friday). Late application will not be accepted. (Kindly be reminded of safekeeping your login name and password as it may take at least 1 – 2 days to regenerate a new one.) 2) Submit the following documents to your Dean/Director for endorsement: (a) Application Form printed from the System including all the attachments (one-copy, two-sided); (b) Mainland Grant Application Checklist. 3) Submit ethics/safety applications to the Research Ethics Committee, if applicable: The deadline for filing an ethics/safety application via BUniPort is 15 September 2023 (Friday). Please refer to Guidelines on Online Submission of Ethics/Safety Applications for necessary steps. (Ethics/safety approval usually takes 25 working days to process.) 4) Submit co-operation application to the Academic Partnership Tracking Platform, if applicable: The deadline for filing a co-operation application via Academic Partnership Tracking Platform is 15 September 2023 (Friday). Please refer to Guidelines on Online Submission of co-operation Applications for necessary steps. (Co-operation approval usually takes 25 working days to process.)	PIS
	 5) Give comments/suggestions to PIs for revision when necessary. 6) Submit the documents (in soft copy) as stated in Item 2 above to RO by 22 September 2023 (Friday). 	Deans/Director
	7) Upon receiving the complete set of application documents, RO/IRACE will online submit the application to NSFC.	RO/IRACE
Register for NSFC Electronic Account	For applicants who do not have an application account of the please contact the IRACE at hkbuirace@hkbu.edu.hk for reg	
Other Application Details	GRANTS Electronic System (user guide)	

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IMPORTANT:

➤ If an applicant departs from the University during the application period, the affiliated Department is required to inform the RO about his/her departure. The RO will follow it up with the funding body accordingly.

NOTICE – Other Funding Opportunities:

The Research Office maintains a webpage on the various internal and external funding opportunities and the current calls for colleagues' information. You are encouraged to check the information at https://research.hkbu.edu.hk/funding-opportunities regularly.