

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



国家自然科学基金委员会

National Natural Science Foundation of China

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 Program	<u>Molecular Functional Visualisation of Tumour Evolution and Diagnosis (腫瘤演進與診療的分子功能可視化研究)</u>
Research Areas	Key Projects 重點項目 1. Functional Visualisation of Key Molecular Events for Early Diagnosis and Treatment of Malignant Tumours 惡性腫瘤早診、早治關鍵分子事件功能可視化 2. Intelligent Diagnosis, Efficacy Assessment and Prognosis Judgement of Malignant Tumour Imaging, Pathology and Multi-Omics Fusion 惡性腫瘤影像、病理與多組學融合智能診斷、療效評估與預後判斷 Integrated Projects 集成項目 1. Patterns of Interaction Between Tumour Cells and the Neural and Immune Microenvironment in the Early Stages of Malignant Tumourigenesis and Evolution and Their Visualisation 惡性腫瘤發生與演進早期階段腫瘤細胞與神經及免疫微環境互作規律及其可視化 2. Visual Evaluation and Clinical Translation of New Methods for Malignant Tumour Treatment 惡性腫瘤治療新方法的可視化評價與臨床轉化
Eligibility	Principal Investigators (PIs) should meet the following requirements: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- RAP above- With experience in undertaking basic research projects
Funding Period	Key Projects: 3 Years (1 January 2024 – 31 December 2026) Integrated Projects: 3 Years (1 January 2024 – 31 December 2026)
Funding Amount	Key Projects: RMB 2.75 million Integrated Projects: RMB 4-6 million

	Items	Action Parties
Application Procedures	<p>1) Prepare and submit the application via the GRANTS System by 22 September 2023 (Friday). Late application will not be accepted. <i>(Kindly be reminded of safekeeping your login name and password as it may take at least 1 – 2 days to regenerate a new one.)</i></p> <p>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.</p> <p>3) Submit <u>ethics/safety applications</u> 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. <i>(Ethics/safety approval usually takes 25 working days to process.)</i></p> <p>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. <i>(Co-operation approval usually takes 25 working days to process.)</i></p>	PIs
	<p>5) Give comments/suggestions to PIs for revision when necessary.</p> <p>6) Submit the documents (in soft copy) as stated in Item 2 above to RO by 22 September 2023 (Friday).</p>	Deans/Director
	<p>7) Upon receiving the complete set of application documents, RO/IRACE will online submit the application to NSFC.</p>	RO/IRACE
Register for NSFC Electronic Account	For applicants who do not have an application account of the NSFC System, please contact the IRACE at hkbuirace@hkbu.edu.hk for registration.	
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.