



## **Cancer Research UK & Pathological Society Joint Predoctoral Research Bursary**

The Cancer Research UK (CRUK) and the Pathological Society promote research in pathology and cancer to foster the development of early career clinical academic researchers with a focus on the intersection between these specialties. CRUK and the Pathological Society have set up a joint funding scheme to support trainee Pathologists, who are Pathological Society members, applying for Predoctoral Research Bursaries.

### **Joint Predoctoral Research Bursaries**

The Joint Predoctoral Research Bursaries provide short term funding to allow trainee pathologists to get involved in cancer research projects early in their careers. The award provides funding support for up to £45,000 to cover salary and/or research expenses over a period of up to 12 months. Applications for Joint Predoctoral Research Bursaries will be considered from any area of CRUK's funding remit, with the exception of clinical trials and drug development. Bursaries should allow the awardee to gain research training and a greater understanding of cancer research before undertaking a PhD or MD, and provide the awardee the time and resources to obtain preliminary data before applying for a PhD or MD.

Applications are considered on the basis of the applicant's academic achievements to date, future potential, the scientific merit of the research proposal and the research environment. The proposed research must fit within the remit of CRUK's research strategy.

#### Eligibility

All applicants should be clinically qualified and registered to practice medicine in the UK. Applicants must be members of the Pathological Society (see <http://www.pathsoc.org/> for how to become a member) and a medical trainee in a Pathology specialism (e.g. Chemical pathology, Forensic histopathology, Paediatric and perinatal pathology, Diagnostic neuropathology, Histopathology). The applicant must not have completed, or be registered for, a PhD or MD and they must not have already received fellowship funding to allow them to undertake research, with the exception of NIHR Academic Clinical Fellowships or equivalent fellowships that provide salary support only for periods of research during clinical training.

Joint Predoctoral Research Bursaries cannot be used to fund the costs of research that will contribute to postgraduate research degrees including Masters. Applicants should not be registered for MD or PhD courses at the time of applying.

#### Location

These Predoctoral Research Bursaries are tenable in any Cancer Research UK research department, unit or Institute, and in most other universities and research institutes in the UK. Applicants should contact Cancer Research UK prior to application to ensure that their selected host institution is eligible to host the award.

#### Research Support Available

The Predoctoral Bursary is awarded for a period of up to 12 months. The bursary will provide the applicant's salary and/or research expenses up to a total value of £45,000.

Applications: The scheme is open on Flexi-Grant for applicants to apply.

<https://cancerresearchuk.flexigrant.com/default.aspx>