

Getting that grant!

Intro to pre-award in SMS

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The research grant application process.

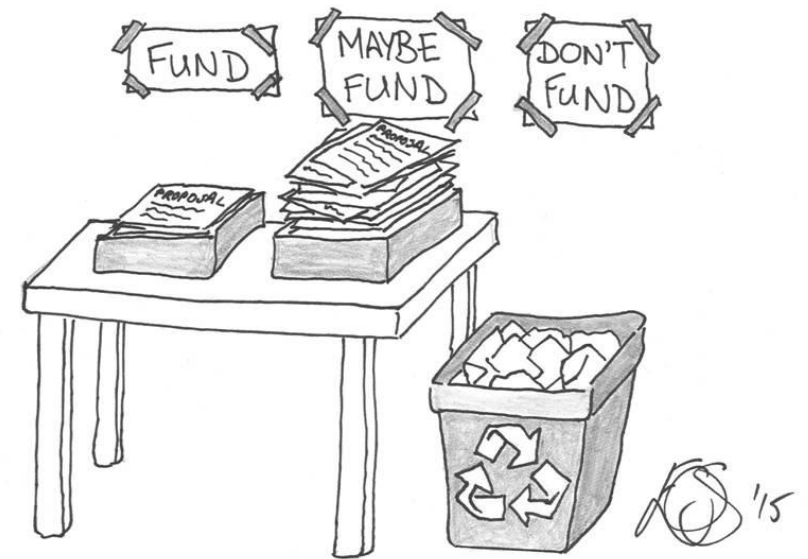
<https://www.ifm.eng.cam.ac.uk/research/grant-writers-handbook/cartoons/>

If you have a great research idea

- Let me and DDoR know.
- Think about what the research that you want to carry out needs (time, resources) and ask for it.
- I will be able to share successful proposals with you, talk to the funder, advise on what funding can be requested.
- Time: proposal writing, internal peer-review, budget, approvals. Read the details of the pre-award SMS process.
- Online portals (Je-S, Flexi-Grant, EU portal, etc).
- I will proof read your proposal and give you feedback.

Don't forget

- The number of submitted proposal is increasing (not just in SMS!).
Need to submit strong high quality proposals.
- Browse through the funding opportunities email and the intranet.
- If you know strong candidates that would be competitive for funded fellowships ask them to apply for funding to come and work with you at QM.



Review panel categories.

After submission

- Reviewers' comments – we can advise.
- Mock interview – offered to all PIs who will be attending an interview.
- Unsuccessful bid – can we apply to a different scheme?
- Grant awarded – I will be facilitating the post-award process.



How not to respond to reviewers' comments.

Research Support Fund (usually one studentship, S&E)

- S&E scheme aimed at awarding successful PIs when an EPSRC New Investigator Award or any large grant is awarded. The aim is to enhance the likelihood of application success.
- SMS has so far been awarded 4 studentships under this scheme

Research Enabling Fund (S&E)

- If you are awarded, 10% of the overheads will be available to you to spend on additional resources

Near miss scheme (SMS only)

- Applies to fellowship or research grant applications providing a total income to QMUL that is costed to be above £100k. Staff whose research grant application marginally fails to be funded will be eligible for an enhanced travel budget.