

## RESEARCH AND ENTERPRISE

### Updates and Announcements from week commencing 22 April 2024

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#### AN INTRODUCTION TO HORIZON EUROPE – NEW FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES – Recording and Slides from presentation - **NEW**

Professor Rachael Taylor, School of Medicine

Below are the links to the recording and slides from Professor Taylor's webinar on 8 April 2024.

 [240408 Intro to Horizon Europe \(recording\)- Rachael Taylor.mp4](#)

 [240408 Intro to Horizon Europe \(slides\) - Rachael Taylor.pdf](#)

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#### Human Ethics applications and assessment via Conduit – **NEW**

A new way of submitting and processing human ethics applications is **now live**. The new system – Conduit – has replaced Word-based application templates with online applications.

You can access the web-based system via [this link](#) and then use your Otago University log in and password.

You can find recorded online training sessions, further resources and more information about Conduit on this SharePoint site: <https://otagouni.sharepoint.com/sites/Conduit/SitePages/training-home.aspx>

If you have any questions, please contact [orisproject@otago.ac.nz](mailto:orisproject@otago.ac.nz)

A reminder that Conduit relates **only to human ethics**. Processes for submitting animal ethics applications through IARMS (Integrated Animal Research System) are **not** changing.

#### From Tuesday, 16<sup>th</sup> April 2024: important notes for applications

- If you have **already submitted** an application – including response to a Committee decision or an amendment - you **do not** have to re-submit in Conduit.
- If you are **submitting an application on or after 16<sup>th</sup> April 2024** – including response to a Committee decision or an amendment - **please do this in Conduit**.
- All **communications from 16<sup>th</sup> April 2024 will be via Conduit**.
- If you have any questions regarding applications for the May meetings of the UOHEC and UOHEC (Health) please email [jo.farronediaz@otago.ac.nz](mailto:jo.farronediaz@otago.ac.nz)

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#### 2024 University of Otago Research Awards - **NEW**

Applications are warmly invited for the 2024 University of Otago Research Awards. The awards recognise and reward outstanding performance by University research staff at different stages of their careers.

Nominations are invited for the following awards:

- *Distinguished Research Medal*: our highest individual research award, recognising sustained, outstanding research that has made a significant impact nationally and internationally

- *Rowheath Trust Award and Carl Smith Medal*: recognises outstanding performance by an early career researcher at the University of Otago
- *Early Career Awards*, including the *Māori Early Career Research Award* and *Tofā Sāili Pacific Early Career Research Award*: recognise distinction in research by early career researchers at the University of Otago
- *Research Group Award*: recognises outstanding research performance at a high international level by a research group led from the University of Otago.

The deadline for nominations is **midday Wednesday, 29 May 2024**.

For copies of award guidelines, and any further information, please contact the [Office of the Deputy Vice-Chancellor \(Research and Enterprise\)](#)

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### **Royal Society Te Apārangi - 2024 Fellowship nominations - NEW**

The Academy of the Royal Society Te Apārangi is now calling for new Fellowship, Ngā Ahurei a Te Apārangi, and Honorary Fellowship, Ngā Ahurei Honore a Te Apārangi, nominations for 2024 Closing date is **30 June 2024**. Please visit [here](#) for more details.

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### **Azrieli International Postdoctoral Fellowship – Closes 9 May 2024 - NEW**

The Azrieli International Postdoctoral Fellowship has officially launched the Call for Applications for the 2024–25 academic year. The fellowship is open to applicants from all around the world, except for Israeli citizens and residents.

The fellowship provides significant funding, academic programming, and support to 24 international postdoctoral researchers, enabling them to carry out research in exact sciences, life sciences, humanities, and social sciences at eligible Israeli academic institutions. The value is approximately ILS 188,000 per year, which includes funds reserved for research and travel.

The online applications close **5.00pm IST on May 9, 2024**.

Further information and guidelines can be found [here](#)

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### **Virtual Space Biosciences Training Course: STAR (Spaceflight Technology, Applications, and Research – NASA Call for Applications - NEW**

Please [click here](#) for further information about NASA's call for applications on Virtual Space Biosciences Training Course: STAR (Spaceflight Technology, Applications, and Research. Response due date **28 June 2024**.

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### **Matariki Network of Universities' Travel Awards**

Applications are invited for the University of Otago's Matariki Network of Universities' (MNU) Travel Awards. The purpose of these Awards is to enable academic, professional and research only staff at the University of Otago to meet with colleagues from MNU member universities to develop and/or enhance collaboration. That collaboration can be research or teaching/curriculum related. Further information regarding the MNU, member institutions and its objectives, is available at [www.matarikinetwerk.org](http://www.matarikinetwerk.org)

Applications are available from Lynda McIver ([dvc.ee@otago.ac.nz](mailto:dvc.ee@otago.ac.nz)). Applications will be considered at the May Internationalisation Committee meeting (due date for applications **29 April 2024**).

A maximum of \$2000 is available for each award.

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## Save the date – Aotearoa New Zealand Infectious Diseases and Pandemic Preparedness Summit

Save the date for the 3rd Te Niwha-hosted research hui:

**Date - Raa:** Tuesday 12th to Thursday 14th November 2024

**Venue - Waahi:** Rutherford House, Victoria University of Wellington Pipitea Campus, e Whanganui a Tara, Wellington.

See further details [here](#)

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## Horizon Europe and CrowdHelix

If you want to learn more, please refer to the [Special Research News](#) and talk with your [Research Advisor](#) as soon as possible.

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## Health Research Council Health Research Medals

Nominations are now open for the HRC's three prestigious health research medals:

- [Te Tohu Rapuora Medal](#) (including a cash prize of \$5000) - awarded to an individual, research team, or community group whose work has demonstrated leadership, excellence, and contribution to advancing Māori health and/or knowledge.
- [Liley Medal](#) - awarded to an individual or research team whose recent research has produced a significant breakthrough within the health and medical fields. This medal is for a specific piece of outstanding work, with a lead contribution in health research that is internationally recognised.
- [Beaven Medal](#) - awarded to an individual or research team in recognition of excellence in translational health research that has had high impact on clinical practice and patient health

Nominations for all three medals close at **1pm on 1 May 2024**

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## Heart Foundation new portal and 2024 grants

Starting December 2023 all funding applications for Heart Foundation will be managed via their new online portal, Heart Foundation Research Grants on [Enquire \(Heartnz\)](#). The Heart Foundation have created an “applicant overview” document available [here](#). Further information about funding rounds for 2024 can be found in the Funding Opportunities calendar. Please contact your [Research Advisor](#) if you wish to apply.

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## Fulbright New Zealand

Fulbright NZ offers a variety of awards throughout the year, some of these awards are in conjunction with Ngā Pae o te Māramatanga. Awards will be advertised below in due course. Professor Phil Bremer is the Fulbright New Zealand Campus Advisor for the University of Otago; should you wish to seek further information please find Phil's contact details [here](#).

Upcoming Fulbright Deadlines

[Fulbright Ngā Pae o Te Māramatanga Graduate Award](#) – Applications close 11pm **1 August 2024**

[Fulbright Specialist Awards](#) – Applications close **1 August 2024**

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## 2024 AINSE Research and Education Opportunities

[Scholarship AINSE ANSTO French Embassies \(SAAFE\)](#) supports early career researchers at PhD and Postdoctoral level to foster research collaborations between France and Australia, in nuclear science and engineering in research areas of Health, the Environment and the Nuclear Technologies. Applications close 1 July 2024

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## FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES from Week Commencing 22 April 2024

<b>TYPE</b>	<b>AF</b>	Awards and Fellowships
	<b>RE</b>	Research projects and Equipment grants
	<b>TC</b>	Funding for Travel and Conferences (attendance/registration)
	<b>Oth</b>	Other grants (including research support for proposal development, dissemination of findings through hui or stakeholder meetings, running conferences/workshops, etc)

**ONLINE APPLICATIONS** Where applications are to be submitted through an online portal, please note that a signed CCW still needs to be submitted to your Research Advisor by the due date detailed below.

### DUE DATE (Internal Deadline):

Deadline, for **Dunedin Researchers**, for the final signed hard copies of the Application and Costings and Consents Worksheet (CCW) to be received by your Research Advisor. Register your interest in a fund with your Research Advisor, who can assist you in the development of these documents, in the weeks **prior** to the DUE DATE.

**University of Otago, Christchurch Researchers:** To confirm your ‘Due Date’ please contact  
 EJ Sinclair, Research Advisor, University of Otago, Christchurch - [ej.sinclair@otago.ac.nz](mailto:ej.sinclair@otago.ac.nz)  
 Suzanne Benjes, Research Advisor, University of Otago, Christchurch – [suzanne.benjes@otago.ac.nz](mailto:suzanne.benjes@otago.ac.nz)  
 Ian Cooke, Research Advisor, University of Otago, Christchurch - [ian.cooke@otago.ac.nz](mailto:ian.cooke@otago.ac.nz)  
 Kosta Tabakakis, Research Advisor, University of Otago, Christchurch – Medicine Department  
[re.research.uoc@otago.ac.nz](mailto:re.research.uoc@otago.ac.nz) (Please note Kosta is working remotely based in the UK time zone. Hence correspondence from Kosta will be outside the normal NZ working hours. Hours (NZ time): approx. 8pm-4am

**University of Otago, Wellington Researchers:** to confirm your ‘Due Date’ please contact  
 Christine Groves, Research Advisor, University of Otago, Wellington - [christine.groves@otago.ac.nz](mailto:christine.groves@otago.ac.nz)  
 Nina Barton, Research Advisor, University of Otago, Wellington – [nina.barton@otago.ac.nz](mailto:nina.barton@otago.ac.nz)

Please note, internal due date advertised below may differ for University of Otago, Wellington, and University of Otago Christchurch researchers. Please liaise with your respective Research Advisors for further clarification.

NEW	TYPE	FUNDING BODY	FUNDING OPPORTUNITY	INTERNAL DUE DATE
	AF	National Heart Foundation of New Zealand	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><a href="#">A.H Couch Trust Heart Foundation Scholarship</a></li> <li><a href="#">Research Fellowship</a></li> <li><a href="#">Postgraduate Scholarship</a></li> <li><a href="#">Overseas Training and Research Fellowship</a></li> <li><a href="#">Pacific Research Fellowship</a></li> <li><a href="#">Māori Research Fellowship</a></li> <li><a href="#">Senior Fellowship</a></li> <li><a href="#">Nurse Practitioner Fellowship and Training in Cardiovascular Disease</a></li> </ul>	22-Apr-2024
	RE	National Heart Foundation of New Zealand	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><a href="#">Grant-in-Aid</a></li> <li><a href="#">Project Grant</a></li> <li><a href="#">Small Project Grant</a></li> </ul>	22-Apr-2024

NEW	TYPE	FUNDING BODY	FUNDING OPPORTUNITY	INTERNAL DUE DATE
	RE	<a href="#">New Zealand Council for Educational Research (NZCER)</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Open Pathway Expressions of interest</li> <li>Whatua Tū Aka Expressions of interest – <i>note: for Whatua Tū Aka pathway applicants can choose whether to submit an EOI. Stage 2 Full Proposals must be submitted</i></li> </ul>	23-Apr-2024
	AF	<a href="#">Neurological Foundation of New Zealand</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>First Fellowship</li> <li>Philip Wrightson Fellowship</li> <li>VJ Chapman Fellowship</li> <li>Senior Research Fellowship</li> <li>Dawn Fellowship</li> <li>Neurology Postgraduate Scholarship</li> <li>O'Brien Clinical Fellowship</li> <li>Senior Clinical Research Fellowship</li> </ul>	23-Apr-2024
	RE	<a href="#">Australia and New Zealand Eye Foundation</a>	Grant	30-Apr-2024
	RE	<a href="#">Health Research Council</a>	2024 Ngā Kanohi Kitea Community Advancement Grants	30-Apr-2024
NEW	AF	<a href="#">Human Frontier Science Program Organisation</a>	Postdoctoral Fellowships Letter of Intent (LOI) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Long-term Fellowships</li> <li>Cross-Disciplinary Fellowships</li> </ul>	6-May-2024
	RE	<a href="#">Dsm-firmenich</a>	Nutrition Research Grant – Letter of Intent	16-May-2024
NEW	AF	<a href="#">Pūtahi Manawa - Healthy Hearts for Aotearoa New Zealand</a>	Doctoral Scholarships <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Māori Doctoral Scholarship</li> <li>Pacific Doctoral Scholarship</li> <li>Open Doctoral Scholarship</li> </ul> Postgraduate Scholarships <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Māori Masters and Honours Scholarship</li> <li>Pacific Masters and Honours Scholarship</li> <li>Open Masters and Honours Scholarship</li> </ul>	17-May-2024
NEW	RE	<a href="#">University of Otago</a>	University of Otago Research Grants 2025	22-May-2024
NEW	RE	<a href="#">University of Otago</a>	University of Otago Prestigious Writing Grants 2025	22-May-2024
	RE	<a href="#">Capstone Editing</a>	Capstone Editing Grant for Mid-Career Researchers	23-May-2024

NEW	TYPE	FUNDING BODY	FUNDING OPPORTUNITY	INTERNAL DUE DATE
	AF	<a href="#">Royal Society Te Apārangī</a>	Falling Walls Lab New Zealand	23-May-2024
	RE	Maurice and Phyllis Paykel	<a href="#">Project and Equipment</a>	24-May-2024
	TC	Maurice and Phyllis Paykel	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><a href="#">Travel</a></li> <li><a href="#">Conference</a></li> </ul>	24-May-2024
NEW	AF	<a href="#">Pūtahi Manawa - Healthy Hearts for Aotearoa New Zealand</a>	HHANZ 2024 Fellowship Grant <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Māori Fellowship</li> <li>Pacific Fellowship</li> <li>Women's Fellowship</li> </ul>	24-May-2024 <i>Note internal date is earlier due to Public Holidays</i>
NEW	RE	<a href="#">Ministry of Primary Industries</a>	New Zealand-Ireland Joint Research Call Information webinar for NZ applicants 10am on 30 <sup>th</sup> April 2024 NZT. Register <a href="#">here</a>	29-May-2024
NEW	RE	<a href="#">Ako Aotearoa – National Centre for Tertiary Teaching and Excellence</a>	Research and Innovation Agenda/Programme (AARIA) <b>Registration of interest due 5pm 14 May 2024</b>	6-Jun-2024
	RE	<a href="#">Otago Medical Research Foundation</a>	Annual Grants and Otago Community Trust Grants	7-Jun-2024
	RE	<a href="#">Birds New Zealand</a>	2024 Research Fund Students to discuss application with supervisor	7-Jun-2024
	RE	<a href="#">Capstone Editing</a>	Capstone Editing Early Career Academic Research Grant for Women	14-Jun-2024
	RE	<a href="#">Leukaemia and Blood Cancer New Zealand</a>	National Research Grant	20-Jun-2024 <i>Note internal date is earlier due to Public Holidays</i>
	TC	<a href="#">Leukaemia and Blood Cancer New Zealand</a>	Travel Grant	20-Jun-2024 <i>Note internal date is earlier due to Public Holidays</i>

## Recurring Funding Opportunities

NEW	TYPE	FUNDING BODY	FUNDING OPPORTUNITY	DUE DATE
	RE	<a href="#">AGMARDT</a>	Various Research Grants, Scholarships & Fellowships	<b>Anytime</b> (please note closing dates align to monthly meetings)
	AF	<a href="#">Alexander von Humboldt Foundation</a>	Humboldt Research Fellowship for: Postdoctoral & Experienced Researchers <i>(For travel to Germany and research based there)</i>	<b>Anytime</b> (please note some awards do have closing dates)
	RE	<a href="#">Breast Cancer Foundation NZ</a>	RES Research Grant <i>(This is for ad hoc time-dependent opportunities such as supporting clinical trials)</i>	<b>Anytime</b> Contact your Research Advisor or funder
	RE	<a href="#">CMDT &amp; MedTech Research Network</a>	Research Acceleration Programme – Stage 1 (Collaboration and Ideation Fund)	<b>Anytime</b> (Proposals reviewed every 2 months)
	RE	<a href="#">Embassy of France in New Zealand</a>	French related Research Projects	<b>Anytime until 15 Nov 2024</b>
	Oth	<a href="#">NZ Lottery Grants Board</a>	Lottery Minister's Discretionary Fund	<b>Anytime</b>
	TC	<a href="#">Neurological Foundation of New Zealand</a>	Travel Grants	<b>Anytime</b>
	RE	<a href="#">Otago Science into Action</a>	Otago Participatory Science Platform – Seed Funding <i>NB: availability of funding yet to be confirmed</i>	<b>Anytime</b>
	RE	<a href="#">Rule Foundation</a>	Research Grants	<b>Anytime</b>
	RE	<a href="#">Southland Medical Foundation</a>	Research Grants	<b>Anytime</b>



NEW	TYPE	FUNDING BODY	FUNDING OPPORTUNITY	DUE DATE
	RE	<a href="#">Science and Engineering Research Board India</a>	Visiting Advanced Joint Research Faculty Scheme (VAJRA) <i>(Adjunct/visiting faculty positions in Indian Institutions)</i>	<b>Anytime</b> (Considered twice a year in January & July)
	RE	<a href="#">The Association of Commonwealth Universities</a>	Various Opportunities	<b>As indicated on ACU grant Calendar</b>

If you have any queries or would like further information regarding any of these Funding Opportunities, **please contact your Research Advisor**. Our contact details are available on the Research and Enterprise [Website](#).

### Research News and Upcoming Funding Opportunities

If you would like the Research Opportunities emailed out to you fortnightly, you can join the **ResearchInfo** List. To subscribe, please email [research@otago.ac.nz](mailto:research@otago.ac.nz), with subject line: 'Subscribe to Research News' and we will add your email address to the Research News mailing list.

## GENERAL INFORMATION REGARDING RESEARCH FUNDING AT OTAGO

### When you need to contact us

Staff are reminded that **every application for external research funding must come through Research and Enterprise, via your Research Advisor**. If you are not sure, please call and we will be able to advise you. All grant applications and proposals should be submitted by academic staff. Please inform your Research Advisor if you intend to apply as Principal Investigator for *any* contestable funding, whether advertised here or not, at the beginning of the development of your application. The same situation exists if you have been approached by researchers at another institution/organisation to collaborate on a funding proposal where Otago is not the lead institution and/or is not submitting the proposal.

### Costings and Consents Worksheet – Please use the latest version on website

A UoO Costings and Consents Worksheet (CCW) is required for all applications, signed by the applicant, their Head of Department/Resource Centre and their Dean/PVC, in accordance with University policy on externally funded research. You can download the latest version of our CCW [here](#). For advice on the use of the CCW to develop costings for your project, please contact your [Research Advisor](#).

### Requirement for Field of Research (FOR) and Socio-Economic Objective (SEO) codes

It is now a requirement that Universities report to the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment on FOR and SEO codes for all research and commercial projects. These codes must be entered in the relevant section of the costing and consent worksheet. A maximum of three codes can be selected for each category and percentages should be in blocks of 10. A full list of the codes is included in the electronic version of the ccw. Please talk to your Research Advisor or Business Development Manager if you have any queries regarding these.

The **UoO Policy Document on Externally Funded Research**, which outlines both the need for and the usage of the CCW, can be viewed [here](#).

### Panui Rangahau Māori – Māori Research Consultation

This message clarifies that The Ngāi Tahu Research Consultation Committee is not being disestablished. The University is providing new roles alongside existing support through the Research and Enterprise Office which will support researchers in developing your research ideas.



As many may be aware the Ngāi Tahu Research Consultation Committee (NTRCC) is experiencing significant delay due to continuing support staff shortages. Unfortunately, this has yet to be resolved.

The recommended course of action for researchers is to continue to submit to NTRCC as usual. Working within your divisions and department, work with your [Research Advisors](#) (who are there to help) to develop your Vision Mātauranga Policy statements and progress developing your ideas toward ethics approval. Document your thoughts regarding VM, relevance to Māori, and pathways to impact on society, this is all valuable thinking even in early stages.

Your [Research Advisors](#) will be able to provide support in the first instance or may choose to escalate if necessary.

Please note for Christchurch researchers the Māori Health Advancement Programme for researchers at UOC has two components:

- a professional development programme and
- a new research review process

For all information about how to complete the professional development programme and complete the research review process please head to this page:

<https://www.otago.ac.nz/christchurch/services/researchoffice/maoriconsultation>

For any queries or pātai please email the Kaitohutohu Rangahau Māori/Māori Research Advisor at: [maorihealthadvancement.uoc@otago.ac.nz](mailto:maorihealthadvancement.uoc@otago.ac.nz)

## Ethics and Regulatory Consents

The University requires that any research involving human participants and/or animals is conducted in accordance with the highest ethical standards. Where appropriate, compliance includes ethical approval from the relevant ethics committee. Please refer to our [Ethics and Regulatory Consents](#) webpage for further information.

## Checklist for submitting grant proposals

Remember to include:

- **Copy of the application** (*signed by applicant, and HoD/Dean if requested by funder*)
- **University of Otago Costing & Consents Worksheet (CCW)** (*signed by applicant, HoD and Dean/PVC*)
- **Evidence of Māori Research Consultation**
- **Ethical / Regulatory approvals** (*if required and already approved*)

Research and Enterprise then obtains the authorised signature of the University for you (**if required**), copies the application, and sends it to the funding body by the due date.

## Contact Details for the Research Advisor Team

For further information, advice, and assistance regarding anything to do with contestable research funding, please contact the [Research Advisor](#) for your Division/Department:

## Contact Details for General Enquiries

**Dunedin Research Office:** [research@otago.ac.nz](mailto:research@otago.ac.nz)

Fiona Seaton (Research Committee) – ph (03) 479 5967

Sharon Helm – ph (03) 479 8448

Nikki Shaw – ph (03) 479 5294

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Melanie Adams – ph (03) 479 8468

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**Christchurch Research Office:**

Sarah-Jane Best - 03 364 1133

**Wellington Research Office:**

Beck O'Shaughnessy – ph (04) 918 6552

**Administrative Details****Extension and Closure of Research Accounts – Notice to all Departments**

**Extensions** - All requests for an extension should be done before the end date of the contract. Researchers will need to contact their Research Advisor or Business Development Manager in the first instance. This process replaces all previous notifications by Research and Enterprise. Research Finance Administrators, Research and Enterprise - Email: [research.finance@otago.ac.nz](mailto:research.finance@otago.ac.nz)

**Closures** - In order to help speed up the closure process of Research Projects, Research and Enterprise has provided a copy of the "Research Project Closure form" at [link](#). This form can also be found on F1 under the chart enquiry screen.

Finance Associates in each department need to download and complete this form for each account that is to be closed and save it down into the relevant CLOSURE FORMS folder accordance with the instructions issued by Research Finance. Research Finance will action any journals for surpluses or deficits and organise credit notes for the return of surplus funds where applicable. Research Finance will also close the accounts in REDs and Finance One.

**Closure Form for Internally Funded Research Grants:**

A form has been created and placed on the Research and Enterprise webpage - [link](#)

The sole purpose of this form is to instigate the closure and repayment of overspends within Internally Funded Research Grants (R accounts - University of Otago Research Committee funded grants).

**University of Otago Bridging Scheme Register and Continuation of Research Achievement Grant (CRAG) for External-Grant-Funded Research-Only Staff**

University of Otago Research Committee has introduced a **Bridging Scheme** to provide a mechanism to protect the continued contributions of Research-Only Principal Investigators. Further information regarding application for membership can be found [here](#).

The **Continuation of Research Achievement Grant (CRAG)** has also been introduced to support highly productive research leaders within the University in the event of significant grant failure. It is linked to the Bridging Scheme (see above) but also applies to academic staff with confirmed appointments. Application Forms and Guidelines can be found [here](#).

**Accounts Receivable Account Application Form (Research Funder):**

The current Accounts Receivable Account Application Form (Research Funder) can be downloaded [here](#)