



# PŪTAHI MANAWA

HEALTHY HEARTS FOR  
AOTEAROA NEW ZEALAND

## 2022 Equity Grant call for Proposals

### Background:

The mission of the Pūtahi Manawa | Healthy Hearts for Aotearoa New Zealand (HHANZ) CoRE is to improve equity in heart health for Māori and Pacific Peoples through research excellence and precision medicine. Pūtahi Manawa will bring together research scientists, clinicians, educationalists and communities by comprehensively and collaboratively addressing issues around equity in heart health outcomes to support and complement the public health approach. We wish to work in partnership with communities and researchers to create a vibrant world-class environment and network for heart research in Aotearoa that is underpinned by evidenced based, multi-disciplinary collaborative research that delivers clinical benefits and equity to patients with cardiovascular diseases. It is our aim that Pūtahi Manawa works directly with and for communities across Aotearoa.

### About the Equity Grant (formerly known as Fast Start Grants):

The Equity Grants aim to supercharge a piece of research you and your team are already conducting. These grants can be viewed as grants to amplify the equity component in an ongoing study.

This could include, but are not limited to:

- *Outcomes* (Do you need more participants of a particular arm to ensure equal explanatory power and reduce inequity in health information?)
- *Approaches* (Perhaps you have found a more equitable way to engage a particular group, or establish equitable leadership/participation/opportunities)
- *Dissemination* (A change in protocol to translate research findings to make it more accessible to end - users / community)
- *Integration and translation* - to allow an additional study using distinct methodology to assist with translation along the pathways from bench to community

### Grant duration

Funding is for a maximum of 1 year. Those who have received grants in the first round will be eligible to apply in this second round also.

### Eligibility:

All proposals should be aligned with our core principles as outlined below.

You must have a current (active) and peer reviewed grant already funded for cardiovascular research.

### Key Dates:

Call for Proposals: Monday 14<sup>th</sup> of March, 2022

Proposals due by noon: 14<sup>th</sup> of April, 2022

Results announcement: June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2022

## Budget:

The CoRE Equity grants will be awarded between \$20,000 to \$150,000 (for up to one year). We wish to fund many applications but have a constrained budget. Therefore, we encourage applicants to keep costs reasonable so that we are in a position to fund more applications, and therefore have a greater impact on equity overall.

Please use the attached budget template, instructions are provided.

1. Funding is for up to a maximum of one year.
2. Personnel Costs
  - a. Enter team member name, their organisation, and their role in the project. Include the same for any subcontracted team members
  - b. Enter each salary including salary-related costs such as ACC and Superannuation/Kiwisaver costs etc. Exclude research overheads (this cost is entered below).
  - c. Enter the FTE contribution for each team member to the project.
  - d. Enter the rate at which research overheads are calculated for each team member. If no overhead rate is payable on the salary (i.e. PhD and Masters Students, some contractors), then enter '0' for the rate.
  - e. Confirm the basis for the calculation of the research overhead for each team member. Are overheads calculated on gross salary only or do they include salary-related costs such as ACC and Kiwisaver/Superannuation? If overheads are calculated solely on gross salary, enter 'Y' for the relevant team member, otherwise enter 'N' (even if team member has no overhead rate associated with their role).
3. Overheads
  - Enter total research overheads for the research team.
4. Direct Costs
  - For both the lead contracting organisation and any subcontracting organisations, please include general operating expenses associated with the research project, such as consumables (please detail), travel (for conferences, collaborations, etc.) and other miscellaneous costs. HHANZ CoRE supports travel and accommodation only directly related to project execution and emerging researcher capacity development and does NOT support extensive conference travel.
5. Equipment Depreciation / Rental subtotal
  - Pūtahi Manawa does NOT fund the purchase of equipment directly, but may allow for a contribution to equipment depreciation or rental costs for access to equipment. The depreciation or rental costs charged for the equipment should be proportional to the proposal's use of the equipment.

The CoRE has scholarships for student stipends. While student costs may be part of this Equity Grant, it may be more appropriate to apply for student funding scholarships, rather than include in the Equity Grant budget

## Equity Criteria:

The Pūtahi Manawa funding criteria have been discussed widely through bid development and in the set-up phases of the CoRE itself. The table below provides definitions of each criteria and

example questions that you might try to answer to show how your proposal is able to meet each criterion.

	<b>Definition</b>
<b>Scientific integrity</b>	<p><b>Best practice or rules of professional practice in research</b></p> <p><i>How robust is the science?</i></p> <p><i>How relevant is this topic to the aims of Putahi Manawa?</i></p> <p><i>Evidence of peer review?</i></p>
<b>Equity</b>	<p><b>Fairness and justice, distinct from equality</b></p> <p><i>How does the proposal address /enhance equity/ intervene in inequity?</i></p> <p><i>How will this funding impact equity?</i></p> <p><i>What research is being included that will support equity?</i></p>
<b>Te Tiriti o Waitangi</b>	<p><b>Acknowledgment and upholding of Te Tiriti o Waitangi</b></p> <p><i>How does the proposal have Te Tiriti o Waitangi focus?</i></p> <p><i>How is Māori partnership/leadership/governance included?</i></p> <p><i>How does the proposal acknowledge Māori cultural beliefs, values, practices</i></p> <p><i>Is data handling culturally-appropriate? (i.e.: is there a data governance strategy)</i></p>
<b>Co-Design and Translation</b>	<p><b>If not a co-design project, how are co-design principles included in the research</b></p> <p><i>What co-design methodology is incorporated - e.g. kaupapa Māori, Pacific methodologies / classic co-design.</i></p> <p><b>Translation is the process of passing research findings along the research pathway to the next user and/or end user</b></p> <p><i>How will you translate your findings?</i></p> <p><i>How will this project engage with the community and stakeholders?</i></p> <p><i>How will dissemination of results to Māori, Pacific communities occur?</i></p>
<b>Multidisciplinary and Team Excellence</b>	<p><b>Tell us about your team.</b></p> <p><i>Describe how your team is diverse.</i></p> <p><i>Who are the key stakeholders?</i></p> <p><i>What research disciplines are involved?</i></p> <p><i>What is the track record, relative to opportunity, of the team?</i></p>

## Scoring and Weightings:

In no more than 2 pages on the application form, please describe:

- The research plan (include a hypothesis)
  - Lay Summary (up to 150 words)
  - Background
  - Aims for Equity Grant
- How will this grant support equity within your current research?
- How is Te Tiriti o Waitangi imbedded within your project?
- How have you considered or used co-design principles in your project? How will you translate and disseminate your findings?
- Explain why your team are equipped to carry out the proposed research?

## How to apply:

Please send the completed application form, your budget, and NZ RS&T CVs for all investigators to: **hhanzcoregrants@auckland.ac.nz** unless your institution requires you to work with your local research office to submit on your behalf. For example, this applies to the University of Otago and the University of Auckland.

## Contact information:

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