



Australian Centre for HIV and Hepatitis Virology Research (ACH4)

CALL FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST (EOI)

Additional supporting information

- Please submit your application in **PDF format as: ACH4_2026 APP_SURNAME**
- Include the Chief Investigator (CI-A) surname on the top right-hand corner of the application.
- Research Office contact details to be current and up to date for correspondence purposes.
- Details of grant funding for all HIV, Hepatitis B, Hepatitis C and HTLV-1 in 2025 and 2026 are only required for the CIA (not for other investigators).
- Please submit your application on the template provided and keep in line with the instructions – see Guidelines for more details.
- One application as CI-A only. Please list all other EOIs you are listed on as CI in which you are participating in (as a CI) in this current round. National collaborative groups are encouraged.
- Include your short paragraph (50-word limit) – *as detailed in the guidelines*
- Ensure to include Budget Justification – *as detailed in the guidelines*
- Applicants may wish to obtain advice from their Business Development Manager and particularly in relation to novel Intellectual property
- Expressions of interest can be submitted via your Institute Director or Research Office via the website: <https://ach4.org.au/apply/> or directly to joanne.reidy@wimr.org.au (*preferably via on-line portal*)

Frequently Asked Questions

Can an ACH4 EOI be submitted directly to the ACH4 Administration Officer via the applicant, or does the EOI need to be submitted via the Research Office of the institution?

For ease of administration for both entities, it is preferred that applications are submitted to ACH4 by the Research Office of the applicant's organisation. This way we have the relevant contact information to send the funding agreement should the applicant be successful.

Does the progress report need to include all previous ACH4 grants?

No, only the previous year is required.

More on Budget Justification

A detailed budget breakdown is not needed; however, budget justification is required to help better understand how the funds would be used in a broader sense. Why the funds are needed and the likelihood of success. As mentioned in the guidelines, please provide 2-3 sentences to clarify the application of funds (example., supplementing existing salaries and consumables from existing funding, leveraging additional funding, or adding a new line of investigation etc.).



Should the progress report be a comprehensive list of all funding, or can researchers choose only relevant grants that may be used to leverage the proposed research?

Only relevant.

Can funds be expended outside of Australia?

No, funds cannot be used outside of Australia.

Does the CI-A need to be an Australian Citizen?

Yes, only the CI-A needs to be Australian resident / citizen and funds cannot go out of Australia.

Can overseas based investigators be named as co-CIs?

Yes, overseas collaborators may be listed as a CI - collaborative groups are encouraged

Should Associate Investigators be included on EOIs?

This information can be added under *Details of all Chief Investigators* if you wish to include, however, it is not a requirement.

The ACH4 EOI guidelines indicate that salaries and consumables are acceptable budget items, however, travel cannot be requested. Are there any other restrictions on what the funding can be used for, or is travel the only cost that is not permissible?

Only salary and consumables are accepted (not equipment and travel).

Eligibility background:

Applications are welcome from Australian investigators regardless of their university or research institutional affiliation except those designated as CI-A on another grant from the Australian Government Department of Health G05055 Blood Borne Viruses (BBV) and Sexually Transmissible Infections (STI) Research Program as CIA. One application as CI-A only, please see guidelines for more information. National collaborative groups are encouraged.

For any further information please contact:

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