

Catalyst Grants in Neurodevelopmental Research Application Instructions

Applications due Tuesday, March 10, 2026 by 11:59 pm MT

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There are two key steps to your application:

1. Prepare a written proposal following the guidelines within this document.
2. Submit your proposal online at bit.ly/49x4rv7. This process requires you to complete identifying information to help determine which funding stream(s) your application is eligible for. Once these questions are completed, you will be able to upload your completed proposal as a .pdf.

Guidelines for Written Proposals

- In a single document, address “Sections A-G” detailed below. Page limits are provided for each section.
- Please use Times New Roman 12pt font. Set page margins to 0.5 in/1.27cm on all sides.
- Figures, charts, tables, etc. should be included within the allowed allotments.
- Submit a single .pdf file with the following naming system: “Last name of Nominated Principal Investigator.pdf”.
- Files should be uploaded to bit.ly/49x4rv7.

Section A: Identifying information – maximum of 1 page

Within this section, please provide the following:

1. Project Title
2. Nominated Principal Applicant (NPA) name
3. List of co-applicants and collaborator names
4. Total amount of funding requested
5. Which funders (Azrieli Accelerator and/or Owerko Centre) are you submitting your application to? For each funding stream that you would like to be considered by, please provide a short paragraph that outlines your alignment with their mandates. *Note: This information will also be requested in the online form of your application. You may copy and paste your answers from this section into the online form.*

Section B: Research Proposal – maximum of 2 pages

Within this section, please address the following:

- Description of proposed project
- The need: How will this project impact the research field and your own research program?
- Outcomes: By the end of this project and this funding, what outcomes will have been achieved?

Section C: Budget – maximum of 1 page

- Up to \$50,000 can be requested. Provide a justification for use of funds, including descriptions of the staff required to complete the project (already part of the team or to be hired are both acceptable).
- *If applicable:* If the total budget for the full project includes contributions from other sources – please outline those as well.

Section D: Feasibility and expertise – maximum of 2 pages

- Please describe your readiness to begin and complete the project.
- Outline any research personnel or collaborators and the roles they will play in the project.
- If your application includes a team, please describe their roles and contributions here.

Section E: Long-term objectives – maximum of 1 page

In this section, please address the following questions:

- What future funding opportunity will this project ready you for?
- Who is the intended audience of your research communications and results? Examples of the intended audience include: the research community, your own research priorities, community members, health systems, community organizations, etc.
- Describe how this project relates to your current research program and what further work it will catalyze.
- Once this project is completed, what do you foresee as the next opportunity for the application of these research results? Next opportunities could include: another funding application to an external funding agency, the next research questions, implementation, etc.

Section F: References (no page limits)

Section G: CVs – maximum of 5 pages per CV

Please include a maximum 5-page CV for the Nominated Principal Applicant and any other co-applicants (if applicable) which must cover the following categories:

- Biographical information
- Current position at UCalgary
- Active funding and/or awards
- Publications (from the last five years)
- Other relevant activities