

## European Partnering Awards

BBSRC's International Relations Unit (IRU) seeks to enhance BBSRC's influence and involvement at the forefront of international science, through taking advantage of international funding opportunities and capitalising on international links, both at policy and scientific levels.

European Partnering Awards provide resources to leading BBSRC-funded researchers and groups, so that they have the resources to establish long-term relationships with European scientists in areas of research that are of direct relevance to BBSRC's current scientific strategy.

The first annual call for the European Partnering Awards scheme was announced by BBSRC in 2013. Awards of up to £30,000, over a 4-year period are now awarded (prior to 2019, the maximum was £20,000 over 2 years). Since 2013, BBSRC has funded 15 European Partnering Awards, providing a financial contribution of approximately £290K.

Funding from the European Partnering Awards can be used to support exchanges of personnel and to access facilities and workshops, although no prescribed mechanisms have been set concerning how the award should be used. However, priority is given to proposals that aim to provide exchange opportunities to early career researchers and access facilities and expertise not currently available in the UK.

The expectation is that European Partnering Awards will enable researchers to establish collaborations that will lead to the submission of joint research proposals, either through UKRI or other funding organisations, such as the European Framework Programme in the future.

A list of proposals that have been awarded by BBSRC since 2013 is shown below.

### Contacts

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**PREVIOUS AWARDS 2013 – 2020****2020 Call****Europe Partnering Award - "One Health Genomic and Metagenomic Approaches to Campylobacter and Food Safety"**

£30,000

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| UK lead partner                    | <b>Dr Alison Mather, Quadram Institute Bioscience</b> |
| European partners<br>[Netherlands] | Aldert Zomer, Utrecht University                      |

**Create new opportunities to exploit barley resources and accelerate breeding**

£30,000

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| <b>UK lead partner</b>         | <b>Dr Isabelle Colas, The James Hutton Institute</b>                                   |
| European partners<br>[Germany] | Sarah McKim, University of Dundee; Stefan Heckmann, Leibniz Institute of Plant Genetic |

**2019 Call****Germany: Creation of new tools to study the development of the human retina in a dish**

£12,880

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| UK lead partner                | Professor Robert Hindges , King's College London  |
| European partners<br>[Germany] | Mike Karl, CRTD (Ctr for Regen Therapies Dresden) |

**European Partnering Award on Avian Disease Research (EPAADR)**

£30,000

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| UK lead partner   | Professor Dek Woolfson, University of Bristol   |
| European partners | Ross Anderson, University of Bristol; Lynne Regan, University of Edinburgh; Anna Peacock, University of Birmingham; Joost Schymkowitz, University of Leuven (Kulak Campus); Patrick Barth, Swiss Federal Inst of Technology (EPFL); Andreas Pleuckthun, University of Zurich; Sarel Fleishman, Weizmann Institute of Science; Birte Hoecker, University of Bayreuth; Ingemar Andre, Lund University; Donald Hilvert, ETH Zurich; Ora Schueler-Furman, Hebrew University of Jerusalem; Gustav Oberdorfer, Graz University of Technology; |

**2018 Call**

No European Partnering Awards were funded during the 2018 International Partnering Awards call.

**2017 Call**

**An Anglo-French-German consortium to understand cerebellar contributions to emotional behaviour.**

£16,700

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| UK lead partner                        | Professor Richard Apps, Department of Physiology and Pharmacology, University of Bristol  |
| European partners<br>[France, Germany] | Dr Daniela Popa, Department de Biologie, Ecole Normale Superiore<br>Dr Clement Lena, Departement de Biologie, Ecole Normale Superiore<br>Professor Dagmar Timmann-Braun, University of Duisburg-Essen |

**Austria-Sweden-Netherlands-UK partnership for understanding extracellular vesicle heterogeneity in RNA and protein transfer**

£20,000

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| UK lead partner                                     | Professor Matthew Wood, Department of Physiology, Anatomy and Genetics, University of Oxford  |
| European partners<br>[Sweden, Netherlands, Austria] | Dr Samir El-Andaloussi, Department of Laboratory Medicine, Karolinska Institute;<br>Dr Pieter Vader, University Medical Center Utrecht, University Medical Centre Utrecht<br>Dr Nicole Meisner-Kober, Research Studio Austria, Salzburg |

**Germany-UK: The Portable Organelle Project (TPOP)**

£19,960

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| UK lead partner                | Dr Nicola Joan Patron, Earlham Institute   |
| European partners<br>[Germany] | Professor Andreas Weber, Department of Plant Biology, Heinrich Heine University Dusseldorf;<br>Professor Ralf Steuer, Humboldt University Berlin;<br>Dr Alexandra Bohne, Department fur Biologie, Ludwig Maximilians University Munich |

**Belgium: Taming the application of statistics in proteomics and metabolomics**

£10,240

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| UK lead partner                | Professor Andrew Dowsey, Department of Clinical Veterinary Science, University of Bristol |
| European partners<br>[Belgium] | Dr Lennart Martens, VIB – University of Gent  |

**2016 Call**

**EUROPEAN PARTNERING AWARD: ELIXIR - Broadening UK Participation**

£20,000

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| UK lead partner                | Professor Neil Hall, Directorate Office, Earlham Institute                            |
| European partners<br>[Belgium] | Dr Niklas Blomberg, EMBL-EBI Administration, EMBL – European Bioinformatics Institute |

**2015 Call**

No European Partnering Awards were funded during the 2015 International Partnering Awards call.

**2014 Call**

**European Partnering Award: Tactile control of posture for human-human and human-machine interaction**

£11,040

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| UK lead partner                        | Dr Raymond Reynolds, Department of Sport, Exercise & Rehabilitation Science, University of Birmingham   |
| European partners<br>[Germany, France] | Dr Leif Johannsen, Technical University of Munich<br>Dr Wael Bachtta, University Pierre and Marie Curie |

**2013 Call**

**Enhancing the potential of UK and European grasslands through novel phenotyping and phenomics technologies for perennial ryegrass (*Lolium perenne*)**

£17,427

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| UK lead partner  | Dr Ian Armstead, IBERS, Aberystwyth University  |
| UK Partners  | Mr Mark Jarman, Project Ursula, Ursula Agriculture<br>Dr Peter Wilkins, Germinal Holdings Ltd   |
| European partners<br>[Belgium, Germany, Denmark, France, ] | Dr Isabel Roldan-Ruiz, ILVO Belgium<br>Professor Ulrich Schurr, Julich Research Centre<br>Professor Jorg-Peter Schnitzler, Department of Environmental Simulation, Helmholtz Zentrum Munchen<br>Professor Per Ambus, Department of Chemical and Biochemical E, Technical University of Denmark<br>Dr Christophe Salon, Legume Genetics and Ecophysiology Unit, INRA - Dijon |

**EMQ - UK Spain support to understanding and controlling emergence of infectious disease in the Queen Elizabeth National Park and Enclaves Uganda**

£10,000

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| UK lead partner                      | Professor Richard Kock, Department of Pathology and Pathogen Biology, Royal Veterinary College   |
| European partners<br>[Spain, Uganda] | Dr Jesus Muro, Departament d'Agriculture, Andorra Veterinary Department<br>Dr Chrisostom Ayebazibwe, Diagnostics and Epidemiology Center, Ministry of Agri MAAIF<br>Dr Patrick Atimnedi, Uganda Wildlife Authority |

**European Partnering Award on Avian Disease Research (EPAADR)**

£20,000

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| UK lead partner | Professor Venugopal Nair, Department of Avian Viral Diseases, The Pirbright Institute |
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| European partners<br>[Germany, France] | Professor Thomas Gobel, Faculty of Veterinary Medicine, Ludwig Maximilians University Munich<br>Dr Nicola Etteradossi, Ploufragan-Plouzane Laboratory, Agence Nationale de Securite Sanitaire |
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**European Partnering Award: Pichia pastoris as a vehicle for synthetic biology**

£19,850

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| UK lead partner                          | Professor Stephen Oliver, Department of Biochemistry, University of Cambridge   |
| UK partners                              | Professor Brian McNeil, Institute of Pharmacy and Biomedical Science, University of Strathclyde<br>Dr Ian Archer, Ingenza Ltd         |
| European partners<br>[Austria, Portugal] | Professor Anton Glieder, Graz University of Technology<br>Dr Rui Oliveira, School of Science and Technology, New University of Lisbon |

**European Partnering Award: CoEBio3**

£20,000

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| UK lead partner                      | Professor Nicholas Turner, Department of Chemistry, The University of Manchester  |
| UK partners                          | Dr Kay McClean, Headquarters, CTech Innovation Ltd<br>Dr Richard Loyd, Head Office, Chirotech Technology Limited<br>Dr Thomas Moody, Department of Biocatalysis, ALMAC Sciences |
| European partners<br>[Netherlands, ] | Professor Dick Janssen, Faculty of Mathematics and Natural Science, University of Groningen   |