

Researchfish Submission Guidelines

This serves as a step-by-step guide addressing typical outcome queries within Researchfish specifically pertaining to HRB grants. We appreciate your dedication and time invested in signing up and keeping Researchfish up-to-date. In addition to the general instructions provided by [Researchfish](#) and the [Outcome Type Map](#), we have curated this HRB guide for your convenience. For additional details, please reach out to evaluation@hrb.ie.

Publications

Include any publications directly attributable to this HRB grant (peer-reviewed e-Publication or e-Database publications, Cochrane Systematic Reviews, open publishing platform, and non-peer reviewed publications, such as book chapters, editorials, reviews and so on linked to this HRB grant).

❖ **Grant holders of Emerging Clinician Scientist Awards (ECSA); Clinician Scientist Awards (CSA); and other capacity building grants should include details of publications that they have contributed to as a result of having their time bought out by HRB.**

Exclude publications that pre-date the period of the HRB grant or are not directly related to the HRB grant topic; that are in preparation or submitted, conference presentations published in non-peer reviewed proceedings and clinical practice guidelines, specialist medical press or professional bulletin articles etc.

The HRB mandates researchers to make their publications Open Access

Collaborations & Partnerships

Include any research collaborations with academic colleagues or research groups established or strengthened because of your HRB Grant; and potential added value that these new collaborations and partnerships are likely to have on your existing or future research. Please include any collaborations that are established on the back of your HRB grant, even if it is within the same institutions as yours.

Exclude collaborations established with patient or community groups for the purpose of Public and patient Involvement (PPI); collaborations with healthcare providers, decision-makers etc to influence policy or practice, collaborations established with industry, collaborations established with industry partners.

Further Funding Guidance

Include in this section, details of any additional funding that has helped advance your research and can be attributed—directly or indirectly—to your HRB grant(s), such as-

- Funding awarded to you or your research team.
- **Your share** of funding received as part of a consortium (not the full grant amount).
- Scholarships, studentships, and fellowships awarded to you or your team.
- Travel awards.

Please note:

For large collaborative grants, only report the **portion** of funding awarded directly to you or your team, not the total value of the consortium's grant.

Do not include funding from rolling or continuation grants where the funding would have been received regardless of the HRB grant you are reporting on. This helps avoid double reporting, as the value is already captured in the new grant's award details.

Exclude:

- Co-funding from other institutions that was a pre-condition for receiving your HRB grant.
- Financial contributions from collaborating partners (record these in the Collaborations section).
- Funding received by you or your team as a sub-contractor.

Next Destination

This section is only meant to capture details on-

- Next destination of team members on grants that have ended or for those active grants that have had team members leave.
- Next destination of Principal Investigators on awards that have ended, with the exception of Research Career grants. PIs, fellows, and PhD Researchers funded through HRB's Research Capacity Building Portfolio- Structured Population health, Policy and Health-services Research Education (SPHeRE); Irish Clinical Academy Training (ICAT); Emerging Investigator Awards (EIA); Clinician Scientist Fellowships (CSF); Research Leader Awards (RL); Emerging Clinician Scientist Awards (ECSA); Collaborative Doctoral Awards (CDA) should complete the Career Tracker question in the additional questions section instead. However, this section can be used to record next destination of other team members funded through a Capacity Building grant.

Engagement Activities

This section is about engagement outside the realm of the academic environment i.e. dissemination strategies targeted at the public/consumers.

Include general print or broadcast media coverage of research findings linked to this HRB grant, and any formal engagement for dissemination and knowledge exchange purposes (lectures, presentations, meetings etc.) with the public, patients, or patient representative groups that you have undertaken linked to this HRB grant.

Exclude publications in scientific journals, other publications for the benefit of scientific peers.

Influence on Policy, Practice, Patients & the Public

Include any outputs or outcomes associated with your HRB Grant that are relevant to and/or have the potential to inform healthcare services, delivery or policy at a local, regional or national level; knowledge and dissemination activities you have undertaken to increase the likelihood of your evidence informing policy and practice; and outputs where a reasonable claim can be made to have already directly or indirectly informed or shaped health and social care policy and/or practice (including clinical guideline development or inclusion of evidence from your research in clinical guidelines, systematic reviews or clinical reviews.)

Exclude Peer-reviewed publications, articles, editorials and commentary in specialist medical, presentations made at scientific conferences, presentations to patient or community groups or the public.

Research Tools & Methods

In this section, please tell us about new research materials, methods or resources that have been developed wholly or partly from research funded by this grant for the benefit of other researchers or academic/clinical colleagues.

Exclude new diagnostic, prognostic, therapeutic or clinical management/care instruments, products, tools or materials that are meant for the non-academic sphere.

Research Databases & Models

Include details of the creation/refinement of any research databases and models, and data analysis techniques, computer model/algorithms, data handling techniques, development of databases.

Exclude resources for clinical use (Medical Products, Interventions & Clinical Trials).

Intellectual Property & Licensing

Include any commercial potential of findings from this grant, intellectual property rights you have secured linked to this HRB grant, any licence agreements entered into, or spin-out companies

established, linked to this grant, and any linkages to industry such as industry collaborations or advisory/consultancy roles to industry

Exclude publications in scientific journals, research tools, materials and methods with no associated, and healthcare innovations and interventions based on existing IP or with no associated IP.

Medical Products, Interventions & Clinical Trials

Include any health-related innovations you wholly or partly developed, tested or evaluated or implemented. Healthcare Innovations/interventions are defined broadly to include products (e.g. diagnostics, drugs, devices), preventative and therapeutic interventions, health IT systems, clinical decision support tools, protocols, care models, creative/artistic products and so on, linked to your HRB grant, and the stage of development/adoption of the innovation(s) and other contributing funding sources.

Exclude new research materials, techniques or databases, clinical practice guidelines, and research findings that are being explored as a future commercial.

Artistic & Creative Products

Include any artistic or creative output that is related to HRB funded research including artefacts, images, artwork, composition/score, creative writing, and film/video/animation.

Software & Technical Products

Please provide details of any software and technical products developed as a result of the HRB grant. Please only complete this section if your output does not fit within the remit of Research Databases & Models or Medical Products, Interventions & Clinical Trials.

Spin Outs

Include the creation of any spin out companies or ventures and provide an overview of company structure, type and level of investment leveraged and key milestones of progression.

Exclude private sector collaborations (Collaborations & Partnerships)

Awards & Recognition

This section should be completed if you or members of your research team received an award or other form of recognition by academic and/or professional organisations, wholly or partly as a result of research facilitated through this HRB grant.

Use of Facilities & Resources

We are interested to know if you (or a member of your research team) made use of any shared national or international research facility or service to realise the outputs you are reporting against your funding awards/grants.

Include the use of national or international research resources, Clinical Research Facilities/Centres, national tissue/DNA banks, patient cohorts, and national facilities such as high throughput sequencing hubs or proteomics services.

Exclude university facilities used in daily laboratory activities.

Additional Question Guidance

HRB Public Patient Involvement

In this section, we would like to hear about instances of Public or Patient involvement (PPI) in your research. PPI goes beyond being passive recipients of information (engagement) to being co-producers and collaborators in the study prioritisation, design, methodology, conduct or dissemination of result (Involvement).

Exclude:

- Publications in scientific journals (Captured in Outcome- **Publications**)
- Engagement with the public (including patient groups) for the purposes of dissemination of research results (Captured in Outcome- **Engagement Activities**)
- Presentation to policy/decision makers or professional colleagues (Captured in **Outcome-Influence on Policy, Practice Patients and the Public**)
- Clinical practice guidelines, specialist medical press or professional bulletin articles etc. (Captured in Outcome- **Policy and Practice Influences**)
- Descriptions of patient recruitment into clinical trials or interventions (this describes patient participation but not PPI)

If you have reported on this section for your award before, you will see your responses from the last submission pre-populated. You will be asked to confirm if the section is up to date. If it is not, you will be able to edit and update this section.

Summarising the impact of your HRB grant

Please use this section to summarise the impact to date of the work supported by this grant and why your HRB funded research is making a difference. We want to hear more broadly about how the outputs and outcomes of the grant you are reporting on, are beginning to impact, or have impacted, research, policy and practice.

This section can be updated as impact emerges, we acknowledge that outcomes and impacts of your project may still be developing.

Please note, this section was previously titled 'Most Important Outcome and Impact. If you have reported on this section for your grant before, you will see your responses from the last submission pre-populated. You can then edit your response or reword it to ensure that it captures a summary of the impact of your HRB grant, which is the focus of this new question.

Any other Outputs and Outcomes

Use this section to note any additional outputs or outcomes from this grant that don't fit the main Researchfish categories. Please do not enter information on outputs and outcomes that have been captured in other sections. This section isn't mandatory, so you only need to respond to this section if there are outputs and outcomes you want to report on which don't fit in elsewhere.

HRB Career Tracker- For PIs, fellows and PhD students funded through HRB's Research Careers portfolio only

We are collecting this information to learn more about the career trajectory of individuals who have been involved with HRB awards focused on capacity building of researchers and on leadership enhancement. The information collected via this section will be used to inform decisions at a scheme and portfolio level. The information will be confidential to the HRB and will only be presented in aggregated statistical form on the HRB website and in other evaluation and corporate reports. For EIA, ECSA and RL awards, please add information about the PI only. For SPHeRE and ICAT, please provide details of all PhD researchers who have completed the programme on an individual basis.

Exclude details of Principal Investigators or other collaborating partners who were not in receipt of a salary from the grant.

Team members supported via your HRB grant. This can be reported in the 'Next Destination' section.