

## Quick Reference

Please note that you must read the full Call document for guidance before submitting your proposal

### Manufacturing Fellowships 7

**Call type:** Invitation for proposals

**Closing date:** 16:00 30 July 2019

**Funding Available:** Up to £4 million is available for this call

**How to apply:** Expression of interested followed by a full proposal

**Assessment Process:** Proposals will undergo expert peer review. Those with sufficiently supportive comments will be assessed by an interview panel.

#### Key Dates:

Activity	Date
Deadline for Expression of Interest	16:00 21 June 2019
Je-S Opening Date for full proposals	21 May 2019
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Announcement of Successful Candidates	March 2020

**Additional information:** To be eligible for this call, applicants must be:

- People currently working in industry who are looking to move into and develop a career in academia;
- Or
- Academics who have recently moved (within approximately the last two years) from industry.

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## Summary

EPSRC aims to support three to four new Manufacturing Fellows through this call for proposals. Since 2012, a total of 22 Fellows have been supported through this scheme.

Manufacturing Fellowships are aimed at people who have the potential to be future research leaders in their field of manufacturing research. They support either:

- People currently working in industry who are looking to move into and develop a career in academia (it is expected that their current role involves research and innovation).
- Academics who have recently moved (within approximately the last 2 years) from industry.

EPSRC offers up to five years of support for suitable candidates. They must be able to articulate a compelling research vision and demonstrate how their research will benefit from their industrial experience. EPSRC are looking to support applicants at both **early** and **established** career stages.

By the end of the award we expect Fellows to have driven forward:

- New research agendas with the potential for transformative impact on manufacturing industries.
- A change in the culture within academia by transferring best practice from industry to academia.

## Background

The aim of EPSRC's Manufacturing the Future (MtF) theme is to create and capture the benefits of research for UK manufacturing industries, thereby supporting UK productivity and prosperity. We do this by:

- Investing in new growth areas, drawing on opportunities from emergent research across engineering and physical sciences.
- Accelerating impact of our investments by connecting the research and innovation landscape, promoting collaboration between academia and innovative manufacturing businesses.
- Fostering a research community with the appropriate skills and leadership in manufacturing research.

In order to deliver on the latter goal, EPSRC's Manufacturing the Future theme has operated a Manufacturing Fellowships scheme since 2012. This scheme is designed to encourage researchers in industry to make a successful transition to an academic research environment and in so doing, become a recognised leader in their field. This activity addresses a key gap in the UK's manufacturing research community, as illustrated in some key findings:

An internal EPSRC review of the first three cohorts of Manufacturing Fellows and their Heads of Department confirmed that the scheme provided a valuable

mechanism for suitable candidates to facilitate the transition from industry to academia.

- EPSRC's Theme Day report on Manufacturing Research in 2010 (<http://epsrc.ukri.org/newsevents/pubs/epsrc-theme-day-in-manufacturing-research-report/>) found that there were very few Fellowships in Manufacturing research.
- The Review of International Approaches to Manufacturing Research (<https://epsrc.ukri.org/newsevents/pubs/a-review-of-international-approaches-to-manufacturing-research/>) – a report by the University of Cambridge's Institute for Manufacturing discussed the lack of flow between academia and industry in the UK, especially compared with Germany and the US. Whilst there were examples of transfer at the Professorial level, the lack of exchange of people was acute at other levels.
- The Dowling Review of Business-University Research Collaborations ([https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment\\_data/file/440927/bis\\_15\\_352\\_The\\_dowling\\_review\\_of\\_business-university\\_research\\_collaborations\\_2.pdf](https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/440927/bis_15_352_The_dowling_review_of_business-university_research_collaborations_2.pdf)) recommended boosting mobility between industry and academia as a way of yielding substantial dividends for the UK.

For more information about EPSRC's portfolio and strategies, see our website: <https://epsrc.ukri.org/research/ourportfolio/>

## Research Scope

The vision for the Manufacturing the Future theme is for the research we sponsor to help solve some of the most serious challenges facing the UK today and in the future. Manufacturing makes a major contribution to the UK economy but further investment is required, particularly in high-value and specialist manufacturing, underpinned by the research base. The goal of the theme is to take the knowledge from our science and engineering base to solve issues of scaling-up processes and products required for manufacturing impacts.

We would like to encourage research proposals from the breadth of the engineering and physical sciences research community that are focused on addressing key challenges in UK manufacturing. These could lead to the following research visions identified by the Manufacturing the Future theme:

**21st Century Products** – Century defining products might be 'smart', multi-functional or might enable or enhance our well-being. Unimaginable today, these products may be enabled by new technologies or have advanced materials incorporated into components. Research efforts will generate a suite of flexible tools, enabling the manufacturing process to be integrated in the discovery, design and development of these new products, allowing for rapid prototyping with scale-up capability embedded.

**Digital Manufacturing** - Digital manufacturing optimises the design process, allows for simulation and visualisation of processes and enables fast and responsive control and connectivity of manufacturing systems and supply chains. Intelligent factories and industries will be categorised by automation, personalisation of products and services (including development of the digital technologies and user-interfaces that enable this); transformation of the cyber-

physical production system driven, for example, by data from IoT and increased interconnectivity; and cyber security risks to manufacturing.

**Sustainable Industries** - Manufacturing industries will be able to meet the needs of present sectors/customers without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own manufacturing needs. This depicts a future where resource usage, resilience and security are transformed and where business models, manufacturing processes and product value/ownership are redefined.

**New Industrial Systems** – Industrial systems may evolve from being predominantly centralised towards a portfolio that becomes more effective at creating and capturing value at a variety of scales. This vision could be interpreted at different levels. At a tangible level; introduction of alternative machine tools, cellular manufacturing, self-healing tools, systems that self-build. Different models of operation may be alternative supply chains and business models. Finally, mass customisation in consumer products and personalisation of healthcare.

## Early and Established Career Stages

EPSRC are looking to support applicants at both early and established career stages. For the purposes of this call, the career stage refers to how established the applicant’s career is (or was) within industry. The applicant should self-identify their career stage. Discussions with host organisations and colleagues can help to evaluate track record and assess career stage.

Applicants should state in the Case for Support document and Cover Letter the career stage they are applying against, and show how they fulfill each of the expected attributes of the person specification (see pg. 6). This person specification has been developed specifically for this call.

The person specification will be used by reviewers and panel members to decide how well the applicant has met the assessment criteria.

ATTRIBUTE	EARLY CAREER	ESTABLISHED CAREER
Research Excellence	Delivery of outstanding research and delivering impact in industry. Awareness of the international context of the research.	Has a track record of outstanding research and delivering impact in industry. Shows a strong awareness of the international context of the research.
Setting the research agenda	Clear vision of the contribution the applicant can make to their research area. Evidence of independence of (research) ideas.	Evidence of showing leadership and of pushing the boundaries of the research area.

ATTRIBUTE	EARLY CAREER	ESTABLISHED CAREER
Strategic Vision	Some experience in identifying, exploring and developing research opportunities more broadly and across different interfaces. An awareness of how to position themselves to take up these opportunities and an ability to make decisions to deliver this vision. Shows an awareness of how business culture and practices could be embedded into academia.	An aptitude for identifying, exploring and developing research opportunities more broadly and across different interfaces. Can demonstrate where they have positioned themselves to take up these opportunities and has the ability to make decisions to deliver this vision. Can demonstrate how business culture and practices could be embedded into academia.
Profile and Influence	Shows potential and aptitude to act as an ambassador and advocate for a research field/theme and for research in general.	Evidence of acting as an ambassador and advocate for a research field/theme and for research in general. Advising and influencing into policy making.
Inspirational Team leader	Has ability to lead and inspire their own research team. Ability to identify and maximise potential in others (or get the best out of people).	Lead and inspires own research team and community. Ability to identify and maximise potential in others (or get the best out of people).
Communication and engagement skills	Demonstrates excellent communications and interpersonal skills and aspires to develop these further across a broad audience.	Provides evidence of excellent communications and interpersonal skills.

## Lessons from the previous calls

EPSRC has run six Manufacturing Fellowships calls in the last seven years. Whilst applications have generally been of a high standard, we can offer a range of generic advice to applicants to our seventh call based on this experience:

- Research quality is the primary assessment criterion for this call, and transformational research is an expectation. In order to demonstrate this, it is important to show an understanding of the state of the art in academic research in the field, as well as how the proposed research programme will go beyond this.
- We anticipate that successful applicants will go on to have a long-term academic career and develop and lead a research group in their field. The application should therefore discuss longer term plans, goals and ambitions for the individual within the academic research environment.

- Applicants will need to demonstrate how their research will benefit from their industrial experience. They should discuss how they might use their experience in a new environment and what sort of change they might anticipate being able to achieve. In the case of applicants who have already moved to an academic institution, the emphasis should be on what they have been able to achieve in this regard and how the Fellowship would help them further.
- Where relevant, it is important to discuss IP issues related to the research, particularly as the applicants to this call have a background in industry.
- It is important to take care when assessing the budget requirements for the proposed research; it is possible to ask for too little resource to undertake the proposed work as well as too much. Be as accurate as possible in your budget estimates and take advice from colleagues within the university environment as to what is appropriate.
- Applicants can request between 50% and 100% of their time to work on the Fellowship. Please consider carefully what other tasks you may wish to undertake within the university (in particular teaching, administrative tasks and applying for further research grants) before you commit 100% of your time to the Fellowship. However, you should also be sure that you request sufficient time in the fellowship to be able to undertake the proposed research programme.
- The Research Office at the host institution is a valuable resource in preparing the proposal and should be contacted in the first instance.

## **Funding available**

- Up to £4 million is available for this call.
- Fellowships are expected to be up to five years in duration. For part time employees, Fellowships can be of a longer duration but should be held at a minimum level of 50% full time equivalent (FTE).
- The Fellow is expected to request a package of resources appropriate for the aims of the Fellowship, which could involve staff-time, travel & subsistence, access to equipment etc.
- Full guidance of what resources can be requested can be found on the EPSRC website:  
<https://epsrc.ukri.org/funding/applicationprocess/fundingguide/resources/>.

## **Equality, Diversity and Inclusion**

The long term strength of the UK research base depends on harnessing all the available talent and the Research Councils have together developed the ambitious UK Research and Innovation Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Action Plan <https://www.ukri.org/files/legacy/skills/action-plan-edi-2016/>

In line with the UK Research and Innovation Diversity Principles, EPSRC expects that equality and diversity is embedded at all levels and in all aspects of research practice. We are committed to supporting the research community in the diverse ways a research career can be built with our investments. This includes career breaks, support for people with caring responsibilities, flexible working and



alternative working patterns. With this in mind, we welcome applications from academics who job share, have a part-time contract, need flexible working arrangements or those currently committed to other longer, larger existing grants. Please see our Equality and Diversity webpages at <https://epsrc.ukri.org/funding/equalitydiversity/> for further information.

## Equipment

Where possible, researchers are asked to make use of existing facilities and equipment, including those hosted at other universities. If equipment is needed as part of the research proposal, applicants must follow EPSRC's rules for requesting equipment over £10,000 in value. For information and guidance see <https://epsrc.ukri.org/research/facilities/equipment/process/researchgrants/>

For more information on equipment funding, please see: <https://epsrc.ukri.org/research/facilities/equipment/>

## Eligibility

**There are no nationality restrictions for this call.**

To be eligible to apply, please note that:

- This call is only open to:
  - People currently working in industry who are looking to move into and develop a career in academia. It is expected that the current role will involve research and innovation.
  - Academics who have recently moved from industry (within approximately the last two years\*).

Industry is defined as any organisation which is not a higher education institution.

\* Exceptions may be made for relevant reasons, e.g. maternity/paternity leave, career breaks for caring responsibilities etc. Please contact EPSRC to discuss if you moved from Industry more than two years ago but believe you may still be eligible to apply.

- You must **not** currently hold a similar Fellowship award from another funder (this includes ERC Starting, Consolidator or Advanced Grants). If you are submitting fellowship applications to other funding bodies in parallel to this application, you should be aware that if you accept an EPSRC Fellowship you will be expected to turn down offers of other similar awards.
- Unsuccessful applicants to previous calls under this scheme may be eligible to apply to this call, provided they still fulfil the basic requirements of the call described above. However, previously unsuccessful candidates must have agreement from EPSRC before submitting a proposal to this call. **In line with EPSRC policy a direct resubmission of a previous application would not be acceptable under any circumstances.** For further advice and guidance please contact EPSRC.

You may only apply for one EPSRC Fellowship (of any kind) in any 12 month period.

For information on the eligibility of organisations and individuals to receive EPSRC funding, see the EPSRC Funding Guide:

<https://epsrc.ukri.org/funding/applicationprocess/fundingguide/>

A list of eligible organisations to apply to EPSRC is provided at:

<https://www.ukri.org/funding/how-to-apply/eligibility/>

## Fellowship location

- Fellowships can be held at any UK university or similar Higher Education Institution (HEI) that is eligible for Research Council funding, please see the UKRI page on Eligible Organisations (<https://www.ukri.org/funding/how-to-apply/eligibility/>).
- You will need a Host Organisation Statement from your host organisation and therefore you should contact the Head of Department and their Research Administration (depending on the organisation this may be departmental or central) who will advise you about costing your proposal and internal procedures relating to submitting a research proposal through Joint electronic Submission (Je-S). Your fellowship must be costed and submitted by the host organisation. If you are applying from overseas, you must have agreement from an eligible UK Host Organisation to host the fellowship.
- For further guidance please refer to the EPSRC Funding Guide pages at <https://epsrc.ukri.org/funding/applicationprocess/fundingguide/>
- It is expected that the host department will have an internationally-recognised standing in Engineering and / or Manufacturing research.
- EPSRC's intention is for the Fellow to establish an active and successful research group rather than lead or set up a Centre for the host institution.

## How to apply

**Anyone intending to apply to this call must complete the Expression of Interest form on the call Web page**

**(<https://epsrc.ukri.org/funding/calls/manufacturingfellowships7/>) by 16:00 on 21 June 2019.** This is compulsory and being used to assess the level of demand. No eligible proposals will be sifted at this stage.

Please ensure sufficient time to create Je-S accounts for Investigators who do not currently have one.

## Submitting an application

You should prepare and submit your proposal using the Research Councils' Joint electronic Submission (Je-S) System (<https://je-s.rcuk.ac.uk/>).

When adding a new proposal, you should select:

- Council 'EPSRC'

- Document type 'Fellowship Proposal'
- Scheme 'EPSRC Fellowship'
- On the Project Details page you should select the 'Manufacturing Fellowships 7' call

Note that clicking 'submit document' on your proposal form in Je-S initially submits the proposal to your host organisation's administration, not to EPSRC. Please allow sufficient time for your organisation's submission process between submitting your proposal to them and the call closing date. EPSRC must receive your application by **16:00 on 30 July 2019**.

Guidance on the types of support that may be sought and advice on the completion of the research proposal forms are given on the EPSRC website (<https://epsrc.ukri.org/funding/applicationprocess/>) which should be consulted when preparing all proposals.

## Guidance on writing an application

- The following attachments are **mandatory**:
- Case for Support (maximum 9 sides of A4 comprising 2 sides track record and 7 sides describing proposed research and its context)
  - Please state which career stage you are applying against and ensure you demonstrate how you fulfill each of the expected attributes of the person specification (page 6 of this document) throughout the case for support
- Pathways to Impact (maximum 2 sides of A4)
- Workplan (1 side of A4)
- Justification of Resources (maximum 2 sides of A4)
- Applicant's CV (maximum 2 sides A4) to include
  - Employment history listed in reverse order. Please start with your current employment and make sure that the title of your current post is clear.
  - Academic history listed in reverse order. Dates of any degrees obtained.
  - Track record of research funding where applicable: please include start/end dates, funding body, value of award, type of grant (e.g. First grant, fellowship etc), your role on the grant (PI, Co-I, Researcher etc). Please ensure that any fellowship awards are clearly highlighted.
  - Any current administrative activities: for example editorial responsibilities, committee membership.
  - Other: examples may include invited talks, awards, prizes, memberships of professional bodies.

- Please **do not** include details of possible reviewers on your CV.
- Host Organisation Statement (maximum 2 sides A4)

The Head of Department (through consultation with colleagues as appropriate) at the host organisation must complete a statement in support of the application. The statement should be on Departmental or University headed paper, dated and clearly state the position held by the author (e.g. Head of Department of Electrical Engineering etc). It must address the issues outlined below:

- How does the applicant's expertise and interests fit into current and future Research Strategies of the Host Organisation?
- Why is an EPSRC Manufacturing Fellowship the most appropriate support mechanism for the candidate?
- What support will be provided to help the development of the research career of the candidate? This could differ depending on the career stage the applicant has identified themselves as (early or established)
  - Details of an appropriate support mechanism to aid the transition from industry to academia. It is recommended that candidates should have a named senior academic mentor who has international standing and a track record of securing EPSRC funding.
  - How the applicant will benefit the department; how their experiences, management practices, contacts and knowledge complement and enhance the research strategy of the University
  - How, subject to performance, the institution intends to support the candidate in the medium term (5-10 years – i.e. beyond the duration of the Fellowship)
- The host organisation may wish to provide funding for travel, equipment, a DTP studentship, and laboratory and research facilities. The statement may include further training and staff development opportunities.
- The host organisation statement will form part of the assessment of the proposal. When the statement is complete it will need to be given to the applicant to attach to their proposal.
- Proposal cover letter seen only by EPSRC staff and not by peer reviewers or panel members (no page limit)
  - Please also state here career stage being applied for
  - Express any other information felt relevant to the applicatio
  - If applicable, highlight any discussion had with EPSRC staff beforehand, especially regarding eligibility

The following attachments are **where applicable**:

- Project Partner Letter of Support from any project partners (no page limit, signed, headed and dated within 6 months)
  - From an organisation that is making an active contribution to the project as opposed to expressing an interest in it
- Equipment quotations and business case (see equipment section for further information).
- Technical assessment for the use of a major facility (no page limit)
- CVs for named & visiting researchers, and co-investigators (no page limit)

All attachments must be completed in single-spaced typescript in Arial 11 or other sans serif typeface of equivalent size, with margins of **at least 2cm** (Arial narrow and Calibri are not permissible font types). If any attachments exceed the page limit stated, fail to adhere to the specified format or include any documentation that has not been specified your proposal will be returned or rejected.

Please note that on submission to EPSRC **all** non-PDF documents uploaded onto Je-S are converted to PDF, the use of non-standard fonts may result in errors or font conversion, which could affect the overall length of the document.

For advice on writing proposals see:

<https://epsrc.ukri.org/funding/howtoapply/preparing/>

Applicants should use the Ethical Information section on the Je-S form to demonstrate to peer reviewers that they have fully considered any ethical issues concerning the material they intend to use, the nature and choice, current public perceptions and attitudes towards the subject matter or research area. EPSRC will not fund a project if it believes that there are ethical concerns that have been overlooked or not appropriately accounted for. All relevant parts of the Ethical Information section must be completed. If the research will involve human participation or the use of animals covered by the Animals (Scientific Procedures) Act 1986 it is recommended that applicants pay particular attention to the guidance highlighted below. EPSRC reserves the right to reject applications prior to peer review if the Ethical Information sections are not completed correctly.

Further guidance on completing the Je-S form can be found at <https://je-s.rcuk.ac.uk/Handbook/pages/GuidanceonCompletingaStandardG/EthicalInformation.htm>. Other relevant guidance includes: EPSRC's policy on animal use in research (<https://epsrc.ukri.org/about/standards/animalresearchpolicy/>) and the Responsible Innovation Framework (<https://epsrc.ukri.org/research/framework/>).

## Assessment

### Assessment process

Full proposals received by the closing date will be assessed via a 2 stage review process:

**Stage 1 – Expert peer review:** Proposals will be sent out to expert peer reviewers. If the reviews received are sufficiently supportive the candidate will be invited to interview; if not, the proposal will be rejected at this point and you will be sent copies of the reviewer reports as feedback. In the event of the call being heavily oversubscribed, we reserve the right to hold a sift panel prior to inviting shortlisted candidates for interview. If you are invited for interview, you will have the opportunity to see and respond to the reviewers' comments.

**Stage 2 – Interview:** For those candidates invited forward to interview the process will involve a formal presentation and questions and answers based on the application, reviewers' comments and the applicant's response, as well as any issues raised in the presentation. The interview panel will be made up of senior academics and industrialists. The panel will rank proposals submitted to the Early and Established Career stages separately. Further details of the interview process will be sent to the candidates nearer to the time of the interviews. We anticipate interviews will take place in February 2020.

EPSRC reserve the right to modify the assessment process in the event of the call being oversubscribed.

### Assessment criteria

The assessment process will take into account the applicant's identified career stage and use the person specification given on page 6 to relate the criteria to either the Early or Established career stage.

#### Research Quality (Primary Criteria):

- Relevance to the UK manufacturing research base and potential to provide the UK with a unique capability
- The novelty, relationship to the context and timeliness of the research
- The ambition, adventure and transformative aspects identified
- The appropriateness of the proposed methodology

#### The Applicant (Secondary Criteria):

- Ability to deliver the proposed activities - taking into account the appropriateness of the applicant's track record and the balance of skills of the project team, including academic partners.
- How the overall vision of the fellowship would enable the applicant to achieve their career aspirations.
- The applicant's potential to become an international research leader.
- The applicant's ability to apply their experience, contacts and knowledge gained in industry to:

- drive globally competitive academic research
- enhance culture and practices in academia

### **Importance (Secondary Major Criteria):**

- Evidence of how the proposed research
  - Contributes to or helps maintain the health of other research disciplines
  - Contributes to addressing key UK societal challenges
  - Contributes to current or future UK economic success and/or enables future development of key emerging industry(ies).
- Meets national strategic needs by establishing or maintaining a unique world leading research activity (including niche capability areas).
- Fits with and complements other UK research already funded in the area or related areas, including the relationship to the EPSRC portfolio, [Research Area strategies](#) and [Delivery Plan](#).

### **The Research Environment (Secondary Criteria):**

- The level of support and commitment to your career from the Host Organisation for the duration of the Fellowship and beyond.
- How the applicant's industrial experience will benefit the department and enhance the research strategy of the University.

### **Impact (Secondary Criteria):**

- The relevance and appropriateness of any beneficiaries or collaborators.
- The appropriateness of plans to accelerate impact from the research.
- The benefits achieved by the applicant's experience in Industry.

### **Resources and Management (Secondary Criteria):**

- The effectiveness of the proposed planning and management arrangements, including management of any staff requested.
- The appropriateness and justification of the requested resources.
- The suitability of risk mitigation strategies.

## **Feedback**

Feedback will be provided to those applicants both successful and unsuccessful at the interview stage.

## **Guidance for reviewers**

Information about the EPSRC peer review process and guidance for reviewers can be found at: <https://epsrc.ukri.org/funding/assessmentprocess/review/>

Guidance for reviewing Fellowships can be found here:

<https://epsrc.ukri.org/funding/assessmentprocess/review/formsandguidancenotes/fellowships/>

Please refer to the assessment criteria and the person specification when assessing these proposals, noting the career stage identified by the applicant. The person specification has been specifically developed for this call.

## Moving forward

Submissions to this call will count towards the Repeatedly Unsuccessful Applicants Policy. Further information about the policy can be found at:

<https://epsrc.ukri.org/funding/howtoapply/basics/resubpol/rua/>

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\*EPSRC aims to adhere to the key dates as published, however there may be exceptions where the sift, prioritisation or interview meetings may have to change due to panel member availability or other exceptional circumstances.

## Contacts

We recommend that potential applicants discuss their ideas with EPSRC well before the closing date. Due to the large number of queries expected, please ensure that your question has not been addressed within this document before contacting EPSRC. If you have any questions about the call, please contact:

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Any queries regarding the submission of proposals through Je-S should be directed to:



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## Change log

Name	Date	Version	Change
Becky Cheesbrough	18/03/2019	1	N/A
Becky Cheesbrough	03/06/2019	2	Date change of Expression of Interest

## Je-S attachments Check List

### Standard:

Attachment Type	Maximum Page length	Mandatory/Optional	Extra Guidance
Case for Support	Nine pages	M	Comprising up to two A4 sides for a track record, and seven A4 sides describing proposed research and its context.
Pathways to Impact	Two pages	M	
Workplan	One page	M	
Justification for Resources	Two pages	M	
Applicant CV	Two sides	M	
Host Organisation Statement	Two sides	M	Must be on headed paper, and be signed and dated within six months of the proposal submission date.
Proposal Cover Letter	No page limit	M	Can be used to highlight any important information to EPSRC. This attachment is not seen by reviewers or panel members.
CVs	Two pages each	As Required by EPSRC	For named and visiting researchers, and researcher co-investigators only.

Project Partner Letters of Support	No page limits	As Required by EPSRC	Must be included from all named project partners. Must be on headed paper, and be signed and dated within six months of the proposal submission date.
Equipment Quotes	No page limits	As required by EPSRC	
Equipment Business Case	Two pages each	As required by EPSRC	Required for any items or combined assets with a value above the OJEU limit.
Technical assessment	No page limit	As required by EPSRC	
Other attachment	No page limit	As required, at EPSRC request only	This can be used for a document that does not fit under any of the headings above. This attachment type is not seen by reviewers or panel members.

Please ensure you adhere to the above attachment requirements when submitting your proposal. Any missing, over-length or unnecessary attachments may result in your proposal being rejected.

