NERC Discovery Science

Standard Grant Proposal

Expression of interest

Please fill in the areas below and submit the form (***MAXIMUM 3 pages with layout and fonts as indicated***) to [researchorg.geos@ed.ac.uk](mailto:researchorg.geos@ed.ac.uk)

Basic Information

Title:

Are you a New Investigator? (<http://www.nerc.ac.uk/funding/application/eligibility/>)

PI, Co PI (names) and associated staff time:

PDRA to be employed/ months:

Estimated total budget:

Introduction and Aim of Proposal

Outline the general context and recent relevant work.  State the ‘big idea’ behind the proposal and the aim clearly, and explain why the proposal is both cutting edge, timely, and potentially transformative. What are the main hypotheses and research questions?

Significance of Anticipated Results

Explain why the proposal is significant for other researchers in the same or related fields, and in terms of the NERC Mission and the Impact agenda.  How will the impact be achieved?

Illustrative Diagram (Maximum one)

A self-explanatory diagram and caption that captures the research idea for a general audience. Test this out on a non-specialist before submission.

Method

How are you going to achieve the objective, in terms of technique, work programme, facilities and staff time?  What is unique about your approach?  Can you demonstrate feasibility?  How will the work packages be structured and how will they fit together?

External Collaborations

Complete this only if more than one J-eS form will be submitted.  Indicate lead partner, your role, and any exceptional circumstances if the lead PI is at a separate institution.