



DAS DIRECT GRANT APPLICATIONS

APPLICATION DETAILS

Alongside bi-annual Large and Small Project Grants awarded via the National Institute of Academic Anaesthesia (NIAA), DAS now welcomes direct applications for funding support for planned airway-related research.

Criteria

1. Clinical, bench, simulation and other research methodologies are eligible.
2. The subject of study must be broadly related to airway management.
3. Funded projects must be presented at a DAS Annual Scientific Meeting.

Application

1. Use 1-inch margins max, strictly in 11-point Arial script, single spaced, submitted as a single pdf file.
2. **Page 1:** Single page detailing title of project, applicants (names, positions, qualifications, contact numbers and emails) CV. A brief statement of academic track record is requested. Applicants will need to be sparing as to which information they provide.
3. **Page 2:** The body of application must be no longer than 2 sides of A4. Applicants may lay this out as they wish and may include figures or tables, but all must fit within the 2-page limit. This should be structured to include a background, summary of the Methodology and dissemination plans.
4. **Page 3:** Costings page, including total amount being requested
5. Submissions sent to: DAS Scientific Officer, scientific-officer@das.uk.com



Guidance

Pre-application enquiry with the DAS Scientific Officer is strongly encouraged.

Applications should contain the following:

- (a) Purpose or aim of the proposal.
- (b) Background information such as previous relevant literature.
- (c) Methods, explained in a way that the reader can understand what is to be done, who is to be recruited, in what numbers and why, and what is to be measured and how it is to be analysed.
- (d) Ideas of where the proposal will go in the future.
- (e) Potential benefits to patients, clinicians and the NHS.
- (f) Up to five key references.

Eligibility

This application is open to any member of DAS, regardless of level of training or place of work. However, should non-consultant grade applicants submit proposals, there is an expectation that at least one consultant be a named investigator and/or applicant.

Review process

Grant applications will be reviewed by at least two individual experts in airway management that are external to the applicant's institution and not involved in the study in any way. They may be members of the DAS Committee. Reviewers will have the expertise to assess the methodological and/or statistical aspects of the study. Peer-review will be commensurate with the size and complexity of the study, although it is expected that most applications will be of modest complexity. Reviews will be handled by the Scientific Officer, and the final decision for funding will be made by the DAS Executive Committee. The review process will usually be complete within two months of application.

Award of grant

No institutional signatures or details of approvals etc. are required at time of application. However, these will be needed before payment of award. No monies will be paid to individuals.

Terms

1. Where more than one application is received from the same group/centre/institution, clarification will be sought that these are not from the same collaboration.
2. Funding may be sought for:
 - a. Equipment and consumables, including animal costs
 - b. Personnel where these costs cannot be covered from other sources



- c. Necessary fees for access to data or to complete the project that can be justified
- 3. Specific exclusions are that funding will not support
 - a. Postage and photocopying (e.g. for surveys)
 - b. Secretarial support
 - c. Statistical advice: it is not expected that applicants will seek funding for statistical advice, and applicants will need to make a case as to why specialist input is needed for expert statistical analysis in their study
 - d. Travel, conference fees, subsistence, cost of room hire or attending meetings
 - e. Telephone, internet subscription costs
 - f. Costs of enrolment for higher degrees or courses that may be required to complete the project
- 4. All publications and outputs must acknowledge DAS as a funder.
- 5. Annual progress reports should be sent to the DAS Scientific Officer.