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TOP-UP PHD Scholarship

*application form*

**Applications close Friday 16 September 2024 at 5 pm (AWST). Late submissions will not be accepted**

**Background**

The Rio Tinto Children’s Diabetes Centre; A JDRF Global Centre of Excellence, (“the Centre”) based at the Telethon Kids Institute and Perth Children’s Hospital in Western Australia is an integrated clinical and research centre conducting research into childhood diabetes.

Our goal is to improve the lives of all young people living with diabetes, their families and community by bringing together research, education and clinical care. The Centre is supported by five national and global institutions/hospitals (Perth is the lead site).

The Centre aims to encourage new and innovative research, researchers and translation ideas and projects.

The Centre has established Top-up PhD awards with the purpose of providing additional support to exceptional PhD students who are undertaking their research in type 1 diabetes-related fields and who have been awarded a Research Training Program scholarship or equivalent. Successful applicants will receive AUD$15,000 per annum for up to three years full-time, consisting of AUD$2,000 for research-related costs and AUD$13,000 to be used at their discretion. Research-related expenditure can include travel and conference fees, research consumables and software packages, and publication feeds; but must not be used on equipment purchases.

**Up to three Top-up PhD scholarships will be available in Round 3/2024.** Applicants will be assessed on the eligibility criteria and the application outlined below.

**Eligibility Criteria**

* Must currently be undertaking their PhD in a type 1 diabetes-related field
* Must be current recipient of a PhD scholarship
* Applicants must be affiliated with or be endorsed by a Centre Institution or researcher as listed in Attachment A.
* PhD project/s must demonstrate alignment with the objectives of the Centre.
* Applicants must use the application form, provided at http://diabetes.telethonkids.org.au.

*Applications for the Top-up scholarship will be forfeited if:*

1. Applicants are in their final 6 months of their PhD.
2. Applicants have not yet been informed of the successful outcome of their PhD scholarship application.
3. The application is received after the closing date.

Applicants for the Top-up PhD Scholarship should complete this application form and **send 1 electronic copy to**: JDRF.GlobalCoE@telethonkids.org.au

 **Selection criteria and Application Process**

**Applicant Details:**

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| **Title (Mr, Mrs, Ms etc..)** |  |
| **Surname:** |  |
| **First name:** |  |
| **Current Position:** |  |
| **Email:** |  |
| **Telephone:** |  |
| **Country of Citizenship / Residency:** |  |
| **PhD status:** | [ ]  Year       of PhD program (End date of PhD      )[ ]  Full Time enrolment[ ]  Part-time enrolment – Please specify FTE       |
| **University:** |  |
| **Centre Collaborator:****(refer to Attachment A in information for applicants)** |  |
| **Centre Collaborating Site (if applicable):** |  |
| **PhD Scholarship awarded:** |  |
| **Duration of PhD scholarship awarded** |  |
| **Have you had an opportunity to present research at a seminar / conference / symposium or been involved in any research publications or other research related opportunities to date?** | [ ]  Yes (Please provide details\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_)[ ]  No  |

**Project Description**

**PhD Title**

**Plain Language Summary of PhD study (maximum 250 words)**

**Aim, hypothesis & objectives of the PhD project/s**

**Scientific description of PhD project/s – please include outcomes, study design, and proposed analysis (850 words maximum). (50% of assessment criteria)**

*Is ethics required?* [ ] *YES /* [ ]  *NO*

*If yes, has Ethics been approved:* [ ] *YES (HREC number: )*

[ ]  *NO (Forecasted approval date: )*

**List of references for the scholarship project (maximum of 20 references):**

**Describe how your project aligns with at least one of the Global Centre of Excellence’s objectives (500 words maximum) (20% of assessment criteria):**

1. *To formulate a framework to develop, implement and evaluate models of care that lead to improved health outcomes and reduced burden for people living with T1D*
2. *To promote effective transfer of research outcomes into health policy and/or practice.*
3. *To develop novel advanced economic frameworks that include the broad true costs of T1D to enhance access to novel therapies and share policies.*
4. *To facilitate effective and cross-disciplinary collaboration and partnerships with academia, industry, consumers, clinical organisations and key experts and stakeholders.*

**Explain how the outcomes of your project/s will contribute to knowledge about type 1 diabetes? (500 words maximum) (20% of assessment criteria)**

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**List your past publications, including conference abstracts (5% of assessment criteria)**

**In plain language, describe the potential outcomes and impact/s that your PhD project/s are likely to have (Max 250 words). (5% of assessment criteria)**

**SECTION D: SIGNATURES & SIGN OFF**

**Signature of Applicant:**

**Date:**

**Head of School/Department** or **Supervisor details:**

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**Signature of Head of School/Department** or **Supervisor** (*indicates acceptance of the applicant, approval of the work proposed and provision of adequate supervision and facilities for the period concerned*)

**Signature:** **Date**:

**This application is endorsed by:**

**Name of Centre’s collaborator**:

**Signature of Centre’s Collaborator**:

**Date**:

**Administering Institution Contact:**

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*NB: institutions generally have a research or administrative department which is responsible for the administration and payment of scholarships - please include details of the responsible officer from the relevant department here*