European Partnering Awards

BBSRC’s International Relations Unit (IRU) seeks to enhance BBSRC’s influence and involvement at the forefront of international science, through taking advantage of international funding opportunities and capitalising on international links, both at policy and scientific levels.

European Partnering Awards provide resources to leading BBSRC-funded researchers and groups, so that they have the resources to establish long-term relationships with European scientists in areas of research that are of direct relevance to BBSRC’s current scientific strategy.

The first annual call for the European Partnering Awards scheme was announced by BBSRC in 2013. Awards of up to £20,000, covering a 12 to 18-month period, have typically been awarded. Since 2013, BBSRC has funded 11 European Partnering Awards, providing a financial contribution of approximately £190K.

Funding from the European Partnering Awards can be used to support exchanges of personnel and to access facilities and workshops, although no prescribed mechanisms have been set concerning how the award should be used. However, priority is given to proposals that aim to provide exchange opportunities to early career researchers and access facilities and expertise not currently available in the UK.

The expectation is that European Partnering Awards will enable researchers to establish collaborations that will lead to the submission of joint research proposals, either through UKRI or other funding organisations, such as the European Framework Programme in the future.

A list of proposals that have been awarded by BBSRC since 2013 is shown below.

Contacts

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PREVIOUS AWARDS 2013 - 2018

**2018 Call**

No European Partnering Awards were funded during the 2018 International Partnering Awards call.

**2017 Call**

An Anglo-French-German consortium to understand cerebellar contributions to emotional behaviour.
£16,700

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<th>Professor Richard Apps, Department of Physiology and Pharmacology, University of Bristol</th>
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<td>European partners [France, Germany]</td>
<td>Dr Daniela Popa, Department de Biologie, Ecole Normale Superiore Dr Clement Lena, Departement de Biologie, Ecole Normale Superiore Professor Dagmar Timmann-Braun, University of Duisburg-Essen</td>
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Austria-Sweden-Netherlands-UK partnership for understanding extracellular vesicle heterogeneity in RNA and protein transfer
£20,000

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<td>European partners [Sweden, Netherlands, Austria]</td>
<td>Dr Samir El-Andaloussi, Department of Laboratory Medicine, Karolisnka Institute; Dr Pieter Vader, University Medical Center Utrecht, University Medical Centre Utrecht Dr Nicole Meisner-Kober, Research Studio Austria, Salzburg</td>
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Germany-UK: The Portable Organelle Project (TPOP)
£19,960

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<td>Professor Andreas Weber, Department of Plant Biology, Heinrich Heine University Dusseldorf; Professor Ralf Steuer, Humboldt University Berlin; Dr Alexandra Bohn, Department fur Biologie, Ludwig Maximilians University Munich</td>
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Belgium: Taming the application of statistics in proteomics and metabolomics
£10,240

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<td>Dr Lennart Martens, VIB – University of Gent</td>
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2016 Call

**EUROPEAN PARTNERING AWARD: ELIXIR - Broadening UK Participation**

£20,000

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<td>Dr Niklas Blomberg, EMBL-EBI Administration, EMBL – European Bioinformatics Institute</td>
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2015 Call

No European Partnering Awards were funded during the 2015 International Partnering Awards call.

2014 Call

**European Partnering Award: Tactile control of posture for human-human and human-machine interaction**

£11,040

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| European partners | Dr Leif Johannsen, Technical University of Munich  
Dr Wael Bachta, University Pierre and Marie Currie |

2013 Call

**Enhancing the potential of UK and European grasslands through novel phenotyping and phenomics technologies for perennial ryegrass (Lolium perenne)**

£17,427

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| UK Partners | Mr Mark Jarman, Project Ursula, Ursula Agriculture  
Dr Peter Wilkins, Germinal Holdings Ltd |
| European partners | Dr Isabel Roldan-Ruiz, ILVO Belgium  
Professor Ulrich Schurr, Julich Research Centre  
Professor Jorg-Peter Schnitzler, Department of Environmental Simulation, Helmholtz Zentrum Munchen  
Professor Per Ambus, Department of Chemical and Biochemical E, Technical University of Denmark  
Dr Christophe Salon, Legume Genetics and Ecophysiology Unit, INRA - Dijon |

**EMQ - UK Spain support to understanding and controlling emergence of infectious disease in the Queen Elizabeth National Park and Enclaves Uganda**

£10,000

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| European partners | Dr Jesus Muro, Departament d’Agriculture, Andorra Veterinary Department  
Dr Chrisostom Ayebazibwe, Diagnostics and Epidemiology Center, Ministry |

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European Partnering Award on Avian Disease Research (EPAADR) £20,000

**UK lead partner**  Professor Venugopal Nair, Department of Avian Viral Diseases, The Pirbright Institute

**European partners**  
[Germany, France]  
Professor Thomas Gobel, Faculty of Veterinary Medicine, Ludwig Maximilians University Munich  
Dr Nicola Eterradossi, Ploufragan-Plouzane Laboratory, Agence Nationale de Securite Sanitaire

European Partnering Award: Pichia pastoris as a vehicle for synthetic biology £19,850

**UK lead partner**  Professor Stephen Oliver, Department of Biochemistry, University of Cambridge

**UK partners**  
Professor Brian McNeil, Institute of Pharmacy and Biomedical Science, University of Strathclyde  
Dr Ian Archer, Ingenza Ltd

**European partners**  
[Austria, Portugal]  
Professor Anton Glieder, Graz University of Technology  
Dr Rui Oliveira, School of Science and Technology, New University of Lisbon

European Partnering Award: CoEBio3 £20,000

**UK lead partner**  Professor Nicholas Turner, Department of Chemistry, The University of Manchester

**UK partners**  
Dr Kay McClean, Headquarters, CTech Innovation Ltd  
Dr Richard Loyd, Head Office, Chirotech Technology Limited  
Dr Thomas Moody, Department of Biocatalysis, ALMAC Sciences

**European partners**  
[Netherlands, ]  
Professor Dick Janssen, Faculty of Mathematics and Natural Science, University of Groningen