

The Prof. JC Dornan Research Grant 2023/24



As Northern Ireland's premature baby charity, one of our key roles is to provide support services both in the Neonatal Unit and across our Northern Ireland community.

Over the last 35 years, we have responded to the needs of our community, increased our range of family support services, funded medical research, developed informative publications, campaigned and advocated for the needs of premature babies and their families and influenced thinking around the care of premature babies.

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As part of our ongoing commitment to improve the care for premature babies and their families in Northern Ireland through research and quality improvement initiatives, and in honour of our Founder Professor James Dornan, we would like to invite applications for the Prof. JC Dornan Research grant.

**The award is for a maximum of £1500 for 12 months.
Applications must be submitted by 20th October, 2023.**

Purpose

The purpose of the Award is to enable research or a quality improvement project directly linked with the Mission and Vision of TinyLife including:

- ♥ in neonatology, to improve the quality of care
- 📈 to improve survival rates
- 😊 to ensure improved quality of life for infants after discharge from NICU
- ♥ to address the short term and long-term health care needs caused by premature birth
- 👨👩 to understand and improve parental or carer perspectives on and experiences of neonatal care

Aims

The aims of this award are:

- 🔍 To promote new research or innovation with a clear impact pathway that has the potential to deliver significant contribution to the care of women and/or neonates in Northern Ireland
- 🚀 Small/early pilot work that may lead on to further research or clinical practice change
- 👨👩 To consider the needs of premature or sick babies when developing a QI initiative that would improve the care of babies, parents or staff in the NNU?
- ♥ To support the development of early career researchers or individuals involved in quality improvement (basic scientists, clinicians or healthcare professionals including allied health professionals)

Eligibility

- Applicants can be working in neonatology/maternity, or studying within the field.
- Applications are welcomed from basic scientists, clinicians or healthcare professionals including allied health professionals
- Projects can be clinical or non-clinical
- Applicants must be resident and working/studying in Northern Ireland.
- Early career researchers are encouraged
- Small grant awards are not intended to top-up existing grants
- Applications to fund travel/training/conference attendance are not accepted.

Applications

Online applications are invited for this award, via the TinyLife website www.tinylife.org.uk Applications must be received by 16:00pm on 20th October 2023. All applications will be reviewed by an Expert Panel and the successful applicant will be announced on World Prematurity Day 17th November 2023



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