

BSAC Funding Opportunities

The BSAC Funding Opportunities programme is highly competitive. Each year a large number of applications are received in each category.

Potential applicants should consider carefully whether their application meets the objectives of the BSAC grant awarding strategy that is set out in the BSAC Grants Programme section of this website.

Research Grants and PhD Studentships are subject to a stringent peer review process by at least 2, and usually 3 independent referees before being considered by Grants Committee. Grants are scored against a variety of indicators that include:

- Originality of project
- Potential value to field of knowledge
- Appropriateness of overall project design
- Feasibility within timescale
- Standing of applicant in the field
- Relevance to beneficiaries
- Resources & cost effectiveness
- Viability and planning

Project Grants, Overseas Scholarships and Vacation Grants are scored by Members of the Grants Committee. Copies of score forms and criteria are available on request

Grant awarding strategy

To improve the prevention and treatment of infectious disease, and to and promote the appropriate and effective use of antimicrobial agents through the award of research, travel and other grants to institutions and individuals.

In furtherance of the above strategy the Society supports grants in the areas of:

- Mechanisms of antibacterial action
- Mechanisms of antibacterial resistance
- Antiviral resistance
- Antivirals
- Antifungals
- Antibiotic methods
- Antibiotic prescribing
- Antibiotic therapy
- Antiparasitics
- Evidence based medicine / systematic reviews

The Society also offers vacation scholarships, overseas scholarships, travel grants and named awards; details can be found under this section of the website. Unless otherwise stated grants are open to Members and Non Members worldwide.

Designated grant fund

Council agrees each year on the allocation of funds that will support the next years grant round. The amount allocated to the grant fund each year depends on the projected surplus from Society's income for the previous year. Allocated funding is held in a designated fund. If available, unspent funds can be carried forward to the next financial year (1 January – 31 December of each year).

Grants Programme Deadlines

31 March 2012 (Vacation Scholarships)

1 November 2012 (Project, Research, Overseas)

Travel Grants - as advertised

PhD Scholarships - as advertised

