



2024 Innovation Proof-of-Concept Grant Expressions of Interest Now Open

Applications due February 15, 2024

Friday, December 1, 2023 – Winnipeg, MB

Research Manitoba's 2024 Innovation Proof-of-Concept Grant is officially open for expressions of interest.

This grant strengthens Manitoba-based research and development projects, by filling a funding gap in the Manitoba innovation ecosystem.

Sectors supported include bioscience, information technology, advanced manufacturing, and infrastructure and transportation industries/technologies.

The program supports activities directly related to process validation and proof-of-concept research through two independent streams:

- **Stream 1: Manitoba-Based Consortium** supports local collaboration that is addressing a company specific discovery or innovation towards market usability. This stream allows academics to use their world-class knowledge, facilities, and highly qualified personnel (HQP) to close the knowledge gaps identified during the industry partner's innovation development.
 - This stream provides up to \$150,000 over a two-year term or \$75,000 per annum
- **Stream 2: Manitoba Post-Secondary Researchers** supports the advancement of discoveries or innovations within an academic setting, which may result in products or technologies, towards market usability.
 - This stream provides \$100,000 over a two-year term or \$50,000 per annum

Applicants can find information about the eligibility criteria and application requirements on our website:

<https://researchmanitoba.ca/funding/programs/innovation-proof-of-concept-grant/>

Applications will remain open until **February 15, 2024**, at 4pm CST.

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