AUSTRALIAN CANCER RESEARCH FOUNDATION

# 2027 MAJOR GRANT LETTER OF INTENT

**To be read with 2027 MAJOR GRANT GUIDELINES**

## ACRF SEEKS APPLICATIONS FOR A MAJOR GRANT TO BE AWARDED IN 2027

In keeping with the mission of the Foundation to promote bold and significant programs that will facilitate major advances in the prevention, early detection, treatment and/or management of cancer ACRF invites applications for a special $10 million Major Grant.

As a precursor to the Major Grant application process, Australian Cancer Research Foundation (ACRF) invites eligible persons and groups to submit a Letter of Intent (LOI).

Please refer to Major grant guidelines, which will form the basis of the full application. Please refer particularly to **criteria and expectation** sections, as the evaluation will be based on these.

The LOI serves to make the process more efficient and avoid unnecessary work producing detailed applications if the concept is not short-listed by the ACRF Medical Research Advisory Committee.

## FORMAT

**2-3 A4 pages (full LOI) describing key elements:**

### 1. APPLICANT DETAILS

Lead Institution

Lead Investigator, position held

Contact details

### 2. PURPOSE and APPROACH

Area of research and specific research question/s to be answered / challenge being solved.

Research team and collaborations

For each team member please provide name, position, institution, applicable skill set and role in project

Minimal changes between LOI and full application will be permitted (1-2 CI's)

Describe anticipated outcomes / impact

## 3. FUNDING REQUEST

List of equipment and where it will be located

Why this equipment and how it will be used to address purpose

Costs

Institutional support / commitment

## 4. HOW APPLICATION IS UNIQUELY DISTINGUISHED FROM ACRF ANNUAL GRANT ROUNDS

Refer https://www.acrf.com.au/support-cancer-research/research-grant-guidelines-and-applications/ for 2026 annual grant guidelines.

## TIMETABLE

| DATE | ACTION |
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| 2 November 2026 | Mass email to MRIs to announce Major Grant and call for Letters of Intent (LOI) and advise Research Australia. Documentation posted on acrf.com.au. |
| 22 December 2026 | Close date for LOI |
| 22 February 2027 | Advise applicants of whether they will be invited to proceed to a full grant application |
| 1 March 2027 | Major Grant round opens |