BMRC Young Investigator Grant 2014
FAQs

1. Can this grant be collaborative? I understand there can only be one lead investigator but can there be more than one co-investigator?

The YIG is meant to support single investigator-led research projects. There is no need to have co-investigators; however, you may include collaborators in the project, but note that the collaborators will not receive any funding.

2. Can I submit more than one Letter of Intent?

You should only submit one LOI as the lead investigator. However, it is possible for you to be a collaborator in other LOIs submitted by other lead investigators.

3. Can we submit a 2-year project proposal instead of 3? Will 2-year proposals be at a disadvantage?

BMRC will provide funding of up to $150,000 per grant for up to 3 years. You can decide whether to submit a 1-year, 2-year, or 3-year project proposal. All proposals will be judged on the same criteria of quality and scientific merit.

4. What should I include in the Letter of Intent?

Please refer to the guidelines on drafting a Letter of Intent.

5. Who is eligible to apply for the Young Investigator Grant?

Post-docs within the RSE 2 or 3 grades in BMRC RIs/consortia/research units are eligible to apply for the Young Investigator Grant. Please check with HR if you are unsure which research grade you belong to.

6. Must the scientific mentor for this grant come from A*STAR, or can he/she be from other institutions in Singapore?

The Scientific Mentor should be a PI from within an applicant’s research institute. The Scientific Mentor should be someone whom you know, and who is able to provide you with scientific guidance during the project. He/She should also be someone you can go to for any other advice, such as grant management, lab management, how to initiate collaborations, or even administrative/procurement matters.

7. The YIG provides research support of up to $150,000 over a 3-year period. Is there a funding cap for overseas travel, manpower and consumables?

There will be a funding cap of $15,000 over 3 years for overseas travel and a 70% cap on manpower. There will be no cap on consumables. Equipment purchase will not be allowed.