**EASTBIO DTP In-Vivo Skills Travel Bursary 2021/22**

1. **Guidance**

EASTBIO DTP invites applications from **EASTBIO-funded PhD students in their first or second year** who need **advanced In Vivo Skills training**. BBSRC defines advanced In Vivo Skills training as research skills where a major component of the work involves:

• experimentation in whole, living protected animals as defined in the Animals (Scientific Procedures) Act 1986 in order to understand normal and abnormal biological/ psychological mechanisms.

• developing and applying sophisticated physiological, immunological, pharmacological and behavioural observations.

EASTBIO bursaries are intended to provide additional funding for travel for first and second-year students involved in a research project with an In Vivo Skills training element and who require to travel to receive the relevant training or benefit from collaborations to assist with their research project.

Funds allocated may be used for travel, accommodation or conference registration with the aim of securing relevant training in In Vivo Skills. Travel arrangements should be as economical as possible, in accordance with the local institution expenses regulations. Relevant receipts will be required upon completion of successful projects via a brief Final Report due within three months from completion.

The following conditions will apply:

* The value of each bursary **will not exceed £400**. The review committee hopes to fund the maximum number of eligible students to enable them to access relevant training. However, the committee maintains the right to fund in excess of this limit if a rigorous case is made.
* The funds must be awarded in advance of any travel/training undertaken. Retrospective applications will not be considered.
* For conference attendance, applicants are expected to present their work. Applications should include conference details, rationale for participation, and benefits to the project (i.e. exposure to In Vivo expertise, significant networking and relationship-building opportunities).
* All applications must be supported by the student primary supervisor or supervisory team. Advice about application may also be sought from the local institution Academic lead for EASTBIO (<http://www.eastscotbiodtp.ac.uk/eastbio-contacts>).
* There are no deadlines for this scheme; the call will remain open **until the autumn of 2022**.
* Students should first discuss their application with their supervisor, then complete the **EASTBIO Application form**, below, and submit it to EASTBIO enquiries (enquiries@eastscotbiodtp.ac.uk).
* Applications will be reviewed by the EASTBIO Management Group members and outcomes will be notified by the EASTBIO Support Officer **within a maximum of ten days** after acknowledgement of receipt of application.
* Once successful applicants are notified by EASTBIO, they should make arrangements for their proposed travel and notify EASTBIO of the exact travel times or details of the proposed training event or activities. Projects funded by this scheme will have to be carried out, and all expenses completed by the end of January 2023. Any unspent monies should be returned to the EASTBIO.
* A **Final Report** must be submitted to EASTBIO (enquiries@eastscotbiodtp.ac.uk) no later than **three months after the event**. This report should detail how the bursary was spent, summarising concrete benefits gained by the student in terms of the training received and its impact on their research project.

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1. **Application Form**

***Please detach the Application Form and submit to*** *enquiries@eastscotbiodtp.ac.uk**. There are no deadlines and the call will remain live until the autumn on 2022. EASTBIO will not consider retrospective applications.*

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| **Applicant details** |
| **Student full name** |  |
| **Student email** |  |
| **Student primary affiliation** |  |
| **Supervisor name** |  |
| **Supervisor email** |  |
| **PhD Project title** |  |

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| **Proposed In Vivo Skills training event - Details** |
| **Proposed event/training summary description**For example, you should explain what the proposed training activities are; how they will address In Vivo training needs necessary for your PhD project; if this is not available in your host institution |  |
| **Proposed event/training times**Please provide start and end dates and details of its duration, if known at the time of application. |  |
| **Estimated costs** Please provide a ballpark figure and a break-down of related costs, e.g. travel, accommodation, conference registration, etc. | Total sum:Detailed costs: |
| Is there any other funding available to support your In Vivo Skills training needs? | Yes -> Please provide details, below:No. |
| **Primary Supervisor Support Statement** |
| Please provide a brief statement in support of your student application, including reasons for seeking In Vivo Skills training (max half a page, 11 font size) |  |

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| **Declaration**I confirm that the information provided in this application is, to the best of my knowledge, true, accurate and complete.  |
| **Student signature and date** |  |
| **Primary Supervisor signature and date** |  |

***Once the form is completed and signed by both student and their supervisor, please submit to*** ***enquiries@eastscotbiodtp.ac.uk******. EASTBIO will notify you of the outcome of your application within a maximum of ten days after receipt of your application.***