

Researchfish: What we want to know

This is a guide for all common outcome questions in Researchfish related to BHF awards. We are very grateful for your time and effort in updating Researchfish and have put together this BHF guide in addition to the universal guidance supplied by [Researchfish](#). Please contact researchevaluation@bhf.org.uk for further information.

Top tips for BHF Researchfish 2026 submission period

- ✓ Please connect your Researchfish account to your ORCID and Scopus Author ID. This will allow outcome data, such as publications, to be pulled into your Researchfish personal portfolio, saving you time.
- ✓ Please make use of the search and lookup tools when entering outcomes in Researchfish to re-use existing data where possible.
- ✓ Please use a unique identifier (such as a DOI or ISBN) where possible, including for *Publications* and *Medical products, Interventions & Clinical trials*.
- ✓ Your research organisation(s) can help upload data from their CRIS systems into the Researchfish platform to help with your reporting.
- ✓ Please ensure the outcome arose from research funded by the BHF award.
- ✓ If still unsure of where to place your outcomes, check the [Researchfish outcomes map](#).

What you should include:

Publications

- Any publications that have directly arisen from work funded by your BHF award (research papers, reviews, preprints, conference proceedings (abstracts), books (or individual chapters) and policy briefing documents).
- Exclude submitted-only articles.

Collaborations & Partnerships

- All collaborations and partnerships that have directly arisen or have been strengthened by research funded by your BHF award: academia, industry (private sector) or non-academic healthcare professionals (hospitals).

Further Funding

- Any funding secured as a result of research funded by your BHF award (from any funders, including traditional funding bodies, private sector organisations, commercial partners, universities etc).

Next Destination

- Please provide the next destination of individuals supported by the BHF award; we would especially like to monitor the next steps of PhD students.
- Note the role of 'Research Student' should not be reported on any grant type other than 4-year PhD Studentships, Non-Clinical PhD Studentships, Clinical Research Training Fellowships, Research Training Fellowships for Nurses & Healthcare Professionals or MB PhD Studentships.

Engagement Activities

- Any public engagement activities communicating or promoting BHF-funded research e.g. institutional open days, talks at schools, participation in fundraising events, science festivals, blogging or any contact with the media.
- Excludes academic conferences. Please record keynote speeches in *Awards & Recognition*.

Influence on Policy, Practice, Patients & the Public

- Details of any significant influence on policy or practice that was realised as a result of the BHF award.
- Include influence of the grant upon the training of practitioners/researchers, citation in clinical guidelines/systematic reviews/other policy documents, participation in a consultation or on an advisory committee, interactions with the BHF policy team.
- Exclude training developments for undergraduate courses.

Research Tools & Methods

- Provide details on the creation, development or refinement of research tools or methods and specify whether they have been made available for other research groups.
- Include cell lines, disease models, research assays or methods that you have created/refined.
- Exclude *in silico* resources (*Research Databases and Models*) and resources for clinical use (*Medical Products, Interventions & Clinical Trials*).

Research Datasets, Databases & Models

- Provide details of the creation/refinement of any *in silico* research databases and models.
- Include data analysis techniques, computer model/algorithms, data handling techniques, development of databases.
- Exclude resources for clinical use (*Medical Products, Interventions & Clinical Trials*).

Intellectual Property & Licensing

- Intellectual property that has resulted from research funded by your BHF award, protected by patent (under revision or granted), copyright, trademark or where protection is not required.

Medical Products, Interventions & Clinical Trials

- Include medical products and interventions developed as a result your BHF award; clinical trials of a novel medical product/intervention that you have developed; clinical trials/studies of a drug repurposed for a new indication.
- Include imaging tools, diagnostic tools, drugs, cellular/gene therapy and medical devices.

Artistic & Creative Products

- Please include any artistic or creative output that is related to your BHF-funded award. Examples include artefacts, images, artwork, composition/score, creative writing and film/ video/animation.

Software & Technical Products

- Please ignore this section unless your output does not fit within the remit of *Research Databases & Models* or *Medical Products, Interventions & Clinical Trials*.

Spin Outs

- The creation of any spin out companies or ventures related to your BHF award.
- Please provide an overview of company structure, type and level of investment leveraged and key milestones of progression.
- Exclude private sector collaborations (*Collaborations & Partnerships*).

Awards & Recognition

- The receipt of a prize, award, honour or other form of recognition usually from peers or prestigious organisations.

- Include keynote speeches, membership or fellowship of a learned society, an appointment to an honorary/advisory position on an external body or editorial board.

Use of Facilities & Resources

- The use of national or international research resources related to your BHF award.
- Include national tissue/DNA banks, patient cohorts, national facilities such as high throughput sequencing hubs or proteomics services.
- Exclude university facilities used in daily laboratory activities.

Successful completion of PhD

- **This is an additional question, only applicable to a specific subset of BHF awards:** Only mandatory for all PhD Studentships and CRTF/RTF Fellowships in the first submission period after the end of the award.
- Please let us know when PhD students, CRTF fellows and RTF fellows have passed their viva. If they haven't, please indicate when successful completion is expected.
- Exclude or remove any identifiable data (e.g. names, initials), in line with GDPR.

Patient and Public Involvement (PPI)

- **This is an additional question, only applicable to a specific subset of BHF awards.**
- We would like you to share PPI information for your BHF award: how people have been involved (if they have), the challenges, and the impact this has had on your research.
- BHF continues to work closely with a consortium of funders, led by Arthritis UK, to review these questions. You can find the latest updates to these questions [here](#).

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Thank you!

Don't forget to **submit** your outcomes or we won't be able to access your data!