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Re: MRCG/HRB Joint Funding Scheme 2012 – Overheads

To whom it may concern,

The Medical Research Charities Group (MRCG)-Health Research Board (HRB) joint funding scheme is an innovative funding scheme that allows members of the MRCG to support research of particular interest to specific patient populations, where they might otherwise not be in a position to finance the full cost of that research. Furthermore, while no differentiation is made between charities or disease areas, the scheme has been particularly beneficial for rare diseases where research being undertaken internationally may be limited and where charities wishing to contribute to the research agenda need to fund research projects led from outside Ireland.

The partnership with the HRB is important in building research funding capacity in Irish research charities and ensures that all elements of this research funding programme are operated at the highest standards of best international practices.

Due to the charitable origins of the funding for this scheme, Research Institutions traditionally waive the overhead charge on projects funded in this way. Therefore for the MRCG-HRB Joint Funding Scheme 2012, HRB policy is that overhead costs are not an allowable cost.

Regards

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Oonagh Ward'. The signature is fluid and cursive, with a horizontal line drawn underneath the name.

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