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| **Proof of Concept Fund Application Form****Please read the** [**guidelines**](https://sites.durham.ac.uk/mib-nibb/wp-content/uploads/sites/29/2019/07/PoC-operational-guidelines-E3B_Metals-in-Biology-BBSRC-NIBB.pdf) **and complete all sections** **(boxes are expandable)** |
| **Project Title** |  |
| **Funding requested from BBSRC NIBB (£) at 100% fEC** *(up to £25K)* |  |
| **Match funding from Industry Partner(s)***Match funding from industry (cash or in-kind) is encouraged.* |
| **Cash (£)** |  |
| **In-kind (£)** |  |
| **1. Applicant(s) Details**  |
| **Academic Partner(s) Details** *(Academics must be* [*eligible for BBSRC funding*](http://www.bbsrc.ac.uk/web/FILES/Guidelines/grants-guide.pdf)*. The Network Manager will contact your Research Office to confirm eligibility. Co-applicants are optional, Industry partners are encouraged. Further co-applicants/industry partners may be added by copying and pasting the blank boxes. All applicants must* [*join the Network*](https://sites.durham.ac.uk/mib-nibb/join-us/)*.)* |
| **Principal Investigator’s name** |  |
| Institution |  |
| Phone Number |  |
| Email |  |
| **Finance/Research Office contact name** |  |
| Phone Number |  |
| Email |  |
| **Co-Investigator’s name (if applicable)** |  |
| Institution |  |
| Phone Number |  |
| Email |  |
| **Industry Partner’s name** |  |
| Company name |  |
| Address |  |
| Phone Number |  |
| Email |  |

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| **2. Project Details (max 1300 words total)** |
| **Proposed Start Date**  |  |
| **Proposed End Date** *(12 months duration maximum)* |  |
| Public Summary (max 150 words)*Describe the proposed activity in simple terms that can be readily understood by a lay audience. Information may be used by the Network or the BBSRC for public dissemination, if the award is funded. Include a sentence describing how this fits the remit of industrial biotechnology and bioenergy as defined by the BBSRC “The use of biological resources for producing and processing materials, chemicals and energy” and ensure the connection with* [*remit of the Network*](https://sites.durham.ac.uk/mib-nibb/aims-remit/) *is obvious.* |
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| Project Description (max 1000 words)*Provide a brief description of the background to the project, aims of the project and the work to be undertaken including the current Technology Readiness Level (TRL) and anticipated TRL, if the project is funded. Ensure that the connection with* [*remit of the Network*](https://sites.durham.ac.uk/mib-nibb/aims-remit/) *including* [*industrial biotechnology and bioenergy as defined by the BBSRC*](https://bbsrc.ukri.org/funding/grants/priorities/ibb-industrial-biotechnology/) *is obvious.* |
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| **Pathways to impact (max 150 words)** Describe how this project, if successful, could lead to long-term impact? How do you plan to finance a long-term impact eg apply for funding from BBSRC, industrial funding. |
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| **3. Financial Details** |
| **Project costs for academic partner***Please provide a summary of the of project costs in table below at 100% fEC. Requested finances should be calculated following the* [*guidelines* *for standard BBSRC fEC calculations*](http://www.bbsrc.ac.uk/web/FILES/Guidelines/grants-guide.pdf) *(section 5).* |
| **Directly Incurred (equipment is not eligible)** | **Amount (£)***100% fEC\** |
| Staff |  |
| Travel and subsistence |  |
| Other costs (specify) |  |
| **Directly Allocated** |  |
| Investigators |  |
| Estate costs |  |
| Other Directly allocated (specify) |  |
| **Indirect Costs** |  |
| Indirect costs |  |
| *\*Proof of Concept funds are awarded at 80% fEC and your institution will be responsible for the remaining 20% fEC. The Network Manager will contact your Research Office to confirm acceptance of 80% FEC funding.* |
| **Total project costs (£) at 100% fEC** |  |
| **Justification of costs (max 250 words)***Please provide a brief justification of costs.* |
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| **Project contribution from industry partner(s) (encouraged)***Please provide a summary of any cash or in-kind contributions (estimate financial value).* |
| **Use** | **Amount (£)** |
| Cash |  |
| Access to staff time |  |
| Materials provided at cost |  |
| Access to equipment |  |
| Other (please specify eg meeting costs) |  |
| **Total project costs for industry partner (£)** |  |

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| **Amount requested from E3B: Metals in Biology Network2 (£) at 100% fEC** |  |
| **Value of Industry Partner(s) cash contribution 3 (£)**  |  |
| **Value of Industry Partner(s) in-kind contribution3 (£)** |  |
| **2***The academic and industrial partner(s) will need to have a signed agreement in place before the project starts (refer to item 8 of the operational guidelines).***3***A contribution from industry (cash or in-kind) is encouraged.* |
| **4. Curriculum Vitae of Principal Investigator** |
| *Please provide a 2-page cv of the PI (as required on BBSRC responsive mode grant applications).* |
| **5. Ethical and Social Issues** |
|  **Any ethical or social issues? Yes/No***If yes, complete* [*Annex B*](https://sites.durham.ac.uk/mib-nibb/wp-content/uploads/sites/29/2019/06/Ethical-and-social-considerations-Annex-B_-E3B_Metals-in-Biology-BBSRC-NIBB.docx)  |

**Send the completed application form, short cv and Annex B (if relevant) as a pdf file to the Network Manager:** **metals.bbsrcnibb@durham.ac.uk**

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