

Solutions for COVID-19 | Funding calls & collaborative opportunities

Dear T-DEB stakeholders and beyond,

As the world is coming together to find a solution for COVID-19, we thought we'd put together a list of organisations that are stepping up to do so. This document is updated daily through our active search and with your input. **Add comments** if you would like to add additional information, or share resources, etc.

Organization / link	Description	Amount	Remarks
UKRI	Covid-19 Rapid Response Rolling calls	N/A	Building on the initial calls of their Initiative, DHSC, through the NIHR, and UKRI are jointly launching a rolling call for proposals for rapid research into Covid-19. As this is a rolling call there is currently no fixed end date to the call, we are open to applications and will aim to review complete proposals within 4 weeks of submission. For UK-led academic, SME and wider
			industry research that will address a wide range of Covid-19 knowledge
			gaps/needs, and which will lead to a benefit in UK, potentially international, public



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			health within 12 months.
ESA and the Italian Minister for Technological Innovation and Digitalization (MID)	Space in Response to COVID-19 Outbreak in Italy	N/A	ESA and the Italian Minister for Technological Innovation and Digitalization (MID) have decided to focus their joint effort on supporting citizens in the current emergency.
			Tenderers are invited to propose Demonstration Projects addressing the topics of Healthcare or Education.
UKRI	UKRI open call for research and innovation ideas to address COVID-19	80% of the full economic cost (fEC)	UKRI will support excellent proposals of up to 18 months duration which meet at least one of the following:
			- New research or innovation with a clear impact pathway that has the potential (within the period of the award) to deliver a significant contribution to the understanding of, and response to, the COVID-19 pandemic and its impacts Supports the manufacture and/or wide scale adoption



			of an intervention with significant potential - Gathers critical data and resources quickly for future research use 01/04/2021
Offer coronavirus (COVID-19) support from your business	https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus-support-from-business Use this service to tell gov.uk how your business might be able to help with the response to coronavirus The support needed includes things like: - medical testing equipment - medical equipment design - protective equipment for healthcare workers, such as masks, gowns and sanitiser - hotel rooms - transport and logistics, for moving goods or people - manufacturing equipment - warehouse or office space, for medical use or storage - expertise or support on IT, manufacturing, construction, project management, procurement or engineering - social care or childcare	Varies	Service is monitored continuously for applications You'll be asked some questions about the type of support you can give. You'll then be contacted as soon as possible if your support is needed. You'll need your company number if you have one.
NERC	https://nerc.ukri.org/funding/applic ation/currentopportunities/announ cement-of-opportunity-urgency-gr ants-related-to-the-current-corona virus-outbreak/ Urgency grants related to the current Coronavirus outbreak		NERC welcome Urgency proposals related to the current Coronavirus outbreak. Research must fall predominantly within the NERC remit. Proposals will need to be sensitive



			to social distancing and other restrictions being brought in as a result of the current situation. For this exceptional situation, the urgency process will be slightly different to the normal process to help us process these requests as quickly as possible
Innovate UK	Business-led innovation in response to global disruption (de minimis)	Share of £20 mil	Your project's total eligible costs must be between £25,000 and £50,000. Deadline 17th April
European Union	Applications welcome from startups and SMEs with innovative solutions to tackle Coronavirus outbreak	€164m	
Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation	The Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation said today it is partnering with Wellcome and Mastercard to commit \$125 million in seed funding toward an accelerator created to speed up development of treatments for COVID-19.	\$125 million	
COVID-19 Response			Request for ideas
Sam Altman	Funding for COVID-19 Projects		Funding for startups
Gates foundation	Announcing the COVID-19 Therapeutics Accelerator		Accelerator
Seattle-specific:	https://www.gofundme.com/f/for- artists COVID-19 Response Fund		



Forcit Non-Profit venturing program	http://forcit.co/covid19		Open call for projects that need pro-bono guidance and independent experts.
WHO/UN response fund	Detail on where this goes: Build up lab capacity and provide critical supplies such as reagents and tests; Protect vulnerable patients and frontline health workers through coordination and delivery of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE); Treat the most vulnerable, including by setting up intensive care units; Coordinate global research and development efforts for life-saving products and innovations; Improve community engagement, by ensuring the world has clear, authoritative, and evidence-based guidelines to inform response; Enhance transparent communication so that communication so that the best information to protect themselves.	\$675m	aiming to raise \$675m by end April - focus on testing, PPE, treatment:
Google.org	Since 2005, Google.org has worked to extend the reach of nonprofit innovators and connect them with a unique blend of support that includes funding, tools, and volunteers from around Google. These innovators are the believers-turned-doers who have made the biggest impact on the communities they represent, and whose work has the potential to produce meaningful change that can scale.		
Tyler Cowen	\$1 million plus in Emergent	\$1M+	Competition



	Ventures Prizes for coronavirus work		
UCL Coronavirus fund	https://www.ucl.ac.uk/covid-19-res earch/ucl-coronavirus-response-fun d		
lifeArc	https://www.lifearc.org/funding/co vid-19/covid-19-funding/	Share of £10mil	
Startup health	https://www.startuphealth.com/ge tting-started		Looking to help start-ups raise funds for Covid-19 innovation
Department of health and social care	https://www.gov.uk/government/news/new-technology-challenge-to-support-people-who-are-isolating?utm_source=8f1f78c7-8b92-4ea7-a329-c1966bb4b94a&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=govuk-notifications&utm_co	Share of £500,000	Funding is available for technology companies who come up with digital support solutions for people who need to stay at home because of coronavirus
Open For Business	https://www.startupheatmap.eu/open-for-business	N/A	Continuously updated list of funding opportunities, events and other business opportunities for tech startups in Europe.
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Elrha	https://www.elrha.org/funding-opp ortunity/research-to-support-covid- 19-response-in-humanitarian-settin gs/		Round 1 closes on 13th April
	Elrha is launching an urgent		



	funding call for research proposals to support the COVID-19 response in humanitarian settings. The call aims to fund public health research that will produce robust findings that will contribute to the effectiveness of the current humanitarian response and increase the evidence base for future responses to similar infectious disease outbreaks.		
Space helping UK on COVID-19 and other pandemics	https://business.esa.int/space-for-uk-covid-19 This Open Call for Proposal, setup in cooperation with the UK Space Agency (UKSA), is calling for activities to facilitate the quick integration and deployment of concrete and sustainable solutions to contribute to help alleviate the stress on the UK healthcare ecosystem provoked by the COVID-19 outbreak, making use of the different advantages provided by space-based products and services.	Selected activities can be funded up to 80% for SMEs, and up to 50% for non SMEs	
	NIH Uses Urgent Award Vehicle for the First Time to Address Coronavirus Outbreak		Closed April 5
NHSX tech funding to support people in isolation from coronavirus	https://www.digitalhealth.net/2020/03/nhsx-tech-funding-to-support-people-in-isolation-from-coronavirus/	Up to £25,000	Closed 26 March
The Defence and Security Accelerator (DASA) is looking for rapid sanitising technology to speed up the time it takes to clean ambulances to help in the national	https://www.gov.uk/government/p ublications/defence-and-security-ac celerator-dasa-open-call-for-innova tion/open-call-innovation-focus-are as#IFA019		Closed 1 April 2020



effort against Coronavirus and save lives		
Sage-health	Deep learning	Closed

Other organisations seeking to support your work

Organisation	Link
National Physical Laboratory	https://www.linkedin.com/posts/daleathey_home-activity-6646 738101148401664-R7IR
	Dear friends and colleagues,
	Please let me know if there is any way I, or more likely the brilliant scientists and engineers that I support at the National Physical Laboratory (NPL), can help during these exceptional times.
	There may be things we can do right away that we just haven't considered. Perhaps you'd like support in planning for what comes next. Or perhaps you'd just like to have a chat – that's fine too!
	Please reach out, if we can't help, then there's a good chance that we know someone that can.
	Sincerely, Dale
The Coronavirus Collective	The Corona Crisis Collective is a Global Online Collective, which gathers medical experts, innovators, entertainers and community volunteers who are working together to make communities more resilient against the threat of Corona.
	https://collective.thecoronacrisis.org/about
Coronavirus Hackathon	The COVID-19 Global Hackathon is an opportunity for developers to build software solutions that drive social impact, with the aim of tackling some of the challenges related to the current coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic. We're encouraging YOU - innovators around the world - to #BuildforCOVID19
	using technologies of your choice across a range of suggested themes and challenge areas - some of which have been sourced through health partners including the World Health Organization and scientists at the Chan Zuckerberg Biohub.
	The hackathon welcomes locally and globally focused solutions, and is open to all developers - with support from technology companies and platforms including Facebook, Giphy, Microsoft, Pinterest, Slack, TikTok, Twitter and WeChat, who will be sharing resources to support participants throughout



	the submission period. Mar 26 – 30, 2020 https://covid-global-hackathon.devpost.com/
The Coronavirus Hackathon	To solve what happens after the #Coronavirus The economy will not be the same. Let us reinvent it! WANTED teachers, ballet dancers, actors, industry experts, entrepreneurs, influencers, developers, economists, innovators, students, designers, scientists, doctors, manufacturers, consultants, campaigners, investors, brand managers, adventurers, young people Two days, 5 hrs each Thursday—Friday 09—10 April 2020 https://thecoronavirushackathon.com/

Courses or other learning materials

Organisation	Link
Future learn from the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine & the UK Public Health Rapid Support Team	Course starts on Monday 23rd March COVID-19: Tackling the Novel Coronavirus Course. Understand the emergence of COVID-19 and how we respond to it going forward. You'll learn the latest of what we know about COVID-19, presented by international experts." Find out more about coronavirus and explore its worldwide implications This is a 3 week course by the London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine & the UK Public Health Rapid Support Team https://www.futurelearn.com/courses/covid19-novel-coronavirus
Coronavirus Tech Handbook	A crowdsourced set of tech, tools and data relating to the Coronavirus Pandemic. https://coronavirustechhandbook.com/

Apps and mobile technologies

Apps or tech	Details
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https://covid.joinzoe.com/	Self reporting symptoms app Help slow the spread of #COVID19 and identify at risk cases sooner by self-reporting your symptoms daily, even if you feel well . Download the app
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Companies offering support

Company	Details
Gemscript	GenScript manufactures a wide range of assays to detect nCov-19 virus. We offer SARS-CoV-2 qRT-PCR Detection Assay and ELISA Detection Kit (against SARS-CoV-2 Spike S1-RBD IgG&IgM). These products are currently for research use only, so would be ideal for speeding up research. However, they are not suitable for clinical purposes. We are applying for CE certification for these products and expecting CE certification to be granted within the next 10 business days. More information can be found on www.genscript.com