

## SAGES Funding at a Glance – refreshed June 2020

### 1. COVID 19 Post Graduate Support Scheme (PoGSS) – open now until Jan 2021

SAGES COVID 19 Post Graduate Support Scheme is open for applications from July 2020 until January 2021. The current Covid-19 pandemic is impacting us all. Significantly for postgraduate PhD researchers the virus has had the effect of reducing, and/or delaying thesis progress. SAGES offers this opportunity for limited funding to members of the SAGES Graduate School. Funding can be requested for a unique piece of work that will contribute to the PhD project, but was not originally funded as part of the project.

### 2. The SAGES International Conference Support Scheme (ICSS) – open, no deadline

ICCS has the capacity to provide sponsorship for International Conferences in return for an agreed package of SAGES branding and promotion. Please note this funding is for conferences being organised by a SAGES member not for funds to attend conferences. As of June 2020 we strongly encourage on-line only conferences. Where a conference does contain face to face elements, SAGES will only provide support if the conference also offers remote participation.

### 3. International Collaboration Scheme – open now until May 2021

The International Collaboration Scheme is designed to offer flexible funding for SAGES scientists to interact with colleagues based anywhere outside of the United Kingdom. In recognising challenges posed by Covid-19 we welcome innovative proposals for remote collaboration. Support can cover such items as subscriptions to collaboration tools or services that aid hosting online meetings, seminars and events. We do not exclude travel, where it adheres to Institutional, Scottish Government and collaborative nation guidelines, but we will not fund multiple visits, and we encourage remote collaboration wherever possible. We particularly encourage collaboration with scientists based within our special partner Geosciences organisation “Geoverbund ABC/J”.

In recognising the successes of our previous PECRE scheme, at least half of this scheme will be reserved for Early Career Researchers (ECRs), defined as those with 4 years of PhD completion.

### 4. Large Proposal Preparation Scheme – open, no deadline

This scheme replaces, and extends the PEER scheme (Pools Engagement with European Research) previously offered by SFC. The LPPS funding stream is designed to provide support for SAGES members who are leading pan-SAGES, pan-institutional, large grant proposal submissions. We give an indicative definition of “large” as  $\geq$  £1.5M total award value from funding agency. In preparing large proposals SAGES strongly encourages remote meetings and working groups and actively discourages air travel.

### 5. Small Grants Scheme (SSGS) – open, closes 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2021

The SAGES Small Grants Scheme (SSGS) has the capacity to allocate small amounts of flexible funding to support requests from SAGES members to raise the visibility of SAGES members research and/or facilitate SAGES community building. Examples of areas for which funds may be provided include: meeting/conference expenses (\*special rules apply), equipment for purchase/hire, sample analyses, access to data and ad hoc assistance, requests to host workshops, networking events, provision of access to knowledge/techniques. Other request will be considered, but should be discussed in advance with a member of the SAGES Research and Innovation Committee (RICOM).

### 6. SAGES Training Support Scheme (STSS) – open, no deadline

SAGES actively promotes and supports training in any of the physical, environmental and social sciences. If you are considering developing and running a training event on behalf of SAGES you can apply for funding support up to £1k per application.