

Grants for Research and Development

- Are you a small to medium sized enterprise with less than 250 employees?
- Are you carrying out step change development work on a technologically innovative product or process?
- Are you looking to grow your business?
- Are you looking to enter new markets?
- Are you based in Kent?

If so, you could be eligible to apply for a Grant for Research and Development (Grant for R&D) from SEEDA between £5,000 and £500,000 depending on the project and the size of your company – we'll even help you fill in the pre-application summary.

For free advice and support from enquiry to completion, visit www.locateinkent.com/R&D or call 01732 520700.

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Available in Kent and Medway

Grant for Research and Development (Grant for R&D) aims to help small and medium sized enterprises (SMEs), including some start-ups, to carry out research and development work on technologically innovative products and processes. The scheme is focused on encouraging businesses to carry out projects with higher levels of risk that they would not necessarily undertake without the grant, and lever in to these projects finance from reluctant private investment sources.

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Micro Project	Research project	Development project	Exceptional development project
Available to micro firms <10 group employees Group t/o or balance sheet <€2m	Available to small firms <50 group employees Group t/o or balance sheet <€10m	Available to all SMEs <250 group employees Group t/o <€50m or balance sheet <€43m	Available to all SMEs <250 group employees Group t/o <€50m or balance sheet <€43m
Development of a low-cost prototype for an innovative product or process prior to commercial exploitation	Research into or critical investigation of the technical and commercial feasibility of innovative technologies	Development of a pre-production prototype with significant technological advance of a new product or process	New exceptionally innovative product or process which is strategically important to the industrial/technology sector/UK
Project should involve small scale development work into a product or process with technical advance	Project should involve critical analysis and/or testing, data gathering and reports into a new product or process	Project should shape applied research into a product or process	Project should provide significant benefits for society e.g. medical/biotechnology
Grants of 45% of costs - £5,000 - £20,000 available	Grants of 60% of costs - £20k to £100k (20% in advance) available	Grants of 35% of costs - £20k to £250k available	Grants of 35% of costs - maximum award £500k
Project duration - less than 12 months	Project duration - 6 to 18 months	Project duration - 6 to 36 months	Project duration - 6 to 36 months

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