



**National Institute for
Health Research**

NIHR Invention for Innovation (i4i) Programme

**3rd Call for Applications
i4i Funding Streams 3a (FPD3a) and 3b (FPD3b)**

The NIHR's Invention for Innovation (i4i) programme would like to invite submissions of applications to funding streams 3a and 3b (FPD3a and FPD3b).

Stream 3a applications must include collaboration between at least one industry and one research (academic or clinical) partner aiming to determine the commercial viability of a proposed device or technology, with the development of a robust route to market and a strong, appropriate consortia serving as key deliverables. Primarily expected to be the first stage of a full collaborative applied research project, total project costs can be no more than £100K in total, of which 75% funding is available.

Stream 3b applications should build on the results of a completed assessment of feasibility and must also have collaboration between at least one industry and one research partner (academic or clinical). This will provide further evidence of the capability to deliver improved healthcare outcomes and commercial opportunity, delivering an advanced prototype along with plans for commercial and intellectual property exploitation. Lasting no longer than 3 years, successful projects will be funded to a maximum of 50% of the total project costs, with £100K-£300K per year in funding available.

All applications must show innovation and must have relevance, impact and potential to contribute to future health gain for patients and the general population. This programme is open to research providers in the academic, NHS communities and industry across the UK.

For further information on eligibility and to submit an application please visit <http://www.nihr-ccf.org.uk/site/programmes/i4i/> or email any questions that you may have to i4i.enquiries@quotec.co.uk.

Applications must be submitted via the NIHR CCF website **no later than 5.00pm on Friday 29th January 2010**. Applicants will be notified of the outcome of their application by late March 2010.