



# **Open Call for Research:** **Seeking Research, Innovation and Technology to Address the Spread of COVID-19**

**Launch date:** Monday 26th April 2021  
**Deadline for submissions:** Monday 7th June 2021

IN-PART is an online matchmaking platform that connects academic research and technology with teams in over 6,000 R&D-intensive companies worldwide, including 95% of the world's top 100 pharma and biotech firms. Our R&D community are highly engaged and positioned to directly collaborate with teams in academia to commercialise new research.

With the aim of addressing the spread of the SARS-CoV-2 virus and treating COVID-19, we invite academic researchers and commercialisation professionals to submit collaboration and commercialisation opportunities to be disseminated to relevant individuals within our industry network, with no associated costs or requirement of an IN-PART subscription.

We ask any university administrator working in research commercialisation, technology transfer or business engagement, or academic researcher, who has or is working on research relating to addressing COVID-19 directly (e.g. prophylactic or therapeutic vaccines, antiviral drugs etc.) or indirectly (e.g. protective equipment, diagnostics, and so on), to provide details of their work to our R&D community to review and engage with.

## **Of particular interest is research and technologies in the areas of:**

- Long covid (fundamental research, diagnostics, as well as treatment and rehabilitation)
- Rapid diagnostics
- Therapeutics (particularly those addressing autoimmune and autoantibodies responses)
- Next-generation vaccines (particularly those focusing on T-cell & B-cell responses and those that avoid mutation hotspots)
- Targeted drug delivery
- Infection prevention & control in public settings
- Consumer healthcare products
- Methods and technologies to measure and predict long-term immunity
- Research on the impacts on society, psychology, and the environment
- Preparing for the next pandemic

## **Aims of the open call:**

- Help mobilise the university-industry community to address COVID-19
- Provide universities with a pathway to commercialise research via collaboration with industry
- Connect submitted research and technology with interested parties in industry for the purpose of starting new conversations that lead to collaborative development and deployment
- Provide a level playing field for universities, researchers and companies to collaborate around a global research challenge

### Details about the call:



- Information about your project or technology will be distributed to industry R&D teams with aligned research interests through our online matchmaking platform.
- Submitting your work does not require a subscription to our platform, there will be no costs from IN-PART at any stage.
- Support from our team of STEM experts will be provided where required to review and quality-control submissions.
- Any information sent to us should be non-confidential.
- If you are aware of academics, research or technology transfer taking place to combat the spread of COVID-19, please share this document with them.
- A maximum of 10 submissions can be made per person and we reserve the right to only accept research that is aligned with the aims and themes outlined in the call.
- For subscribed universities with a submission limit for IN-PART, any technologies that are submitted to the open call for research will not count towards your submission total. Two weeks after the call closes, this exemption will no longer apply and you may be asked to unlist technologies and/or upgrade your submission limit if your current limit is exceeded.

### Who should submit?

Our global R&D network is actively engaged and interested in collaborating with and commercialising research submitted by academic researchers or research commercialisation professionals.

### How to submit your opportunity:

For institutes that aren't subscribed to IN-PART, a template to summarise your research, project or technology is provided below. Download this document and once you have outlined all of the required information, please send this to our team in an email along with any associated high-res graphics or figures to [submissions@in-part.co.uk](mailto:submissions@in-part.co.uk). Our team will email to confirm that the submission has been received and it will then be uploaded to our matchmaking platform.

If you work at an institute that is subscribed to IN-PART, you can upload submissions [directly through your dashboard](#).

### What happens if a company is interested in my submitted research or technology?

Our team will connect you directly to introduce you to the R&D lead interested in the project/technology via email in order to start a conversation about collaboration. Usually the first step in this conversation is to share further non-confidential information for the company to review, before signing an NDA to discuss further details confidentially.

### Further questions?

Don't hesitate to contact our team who will be able to help with any questions regarding the call or your submission via: [submissions@in-part.co.uk](mailto:submissions@in-part.co.uk)

To learn more about IN-PART please see our website for details: [in-part.com](http://in-part.com)

### Submission form:



### **Project/Research/Technology Title:**

*This should be no longer than 20 words.*

### **Contact Information:**

Name:

Title:

Email:

Institute and Department:

If you are a researcher, please provide the name and email address of your associated case manager or point of contact in your TTO or business engagement team (if applicable):

### **Background:**

**Please provide a brief summary (a couple of paragraphs is fine) of how the research, technology or project fits into the wider context of addressing COVID-19 and why it's important.**



## Research/Technology Overview:

**An overview of the technology/solution/innovation/expertise.**

*Please provide a fairly detailed overview of the technology/solution/innovation/expertise.*

*This should include (where available) non-confidential technical information, the overall goal, clinical rationale and novelty of the approach, the stage of development (preferably using the TRL scale), data tables, figures or videos (where applicable). If images or videos are provided, please attached these as high-resolution files alongside the submission form*



## Benefits:

**Outline the specific advantages over existing solutions (eg, faster, more accurate).**

*A list of bullet points will suffice but more details can be provided if available.*

## Applications:

**Potential use cases and/or markets**

*A list of bullet points will suffice but more details can be provided if available.*

## What is the development stage of the research or technology?

*Please use definitions related to the technology sector, e.g. for therapeutics: Discovery, target identification, target validation, hit generation, compound screening, lead generation, in vitro, in vivo, or preclinical validation.*

## Opportunity:

**What types of opportunities are you looking for in terms of working with industry to help further develop and/or commercialise the project/technology?**



## Seeking:

**What types of industry collaboration are you looking for?**

Development partner  
Commercial partner  
Licensing  
University spin-out  
Seeking investment

## IP and Legal Considerations:

**Is all of the information you have provided non-confidential?**

*Please note that all information submitted must be non-confidential*

**What is the IP status of the research/technology?**

Patented (if so, please provide details on the patent ID)  
Patent application submitted (if so, please provide details on the application ID)  
Provisional patent (if so, please provide details on the patent ID)  
No patent  
Know-how based  
Copyright

**Patent details:**

**If you are a researcher, have you disclosed this technology to your technology transfer office?**