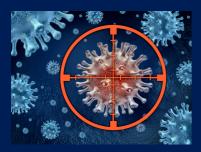
Incubator Packages Available



Deadline for applications 31st January 2017



Harnessing Robotics to Improve Outcomes for Patients

At the 2016 Leeds NIHR HTC Colorectal Therapies annual meeting, "harnessing robotics to improve outcomes for patients" was identified as an area of unmet clinical need that was ripe for future research and innovation. The HTC is interested in supporting research activities in this area and is able to offer an "incubator package" for open competition. Areas of interest include, but are not restricted to:

- Robotic-assistance in surgery
- Robotic devices as diagnostic aids
- Robots to enhance postoperative recovery

Applications are welcome from clinicians, academics, and industry partners.

If you are interested in taking up the challenge, and would like the Colorectal Therapies HTC to support an initial incubator workshop, please apply for funding by 31st January 2017.

The successful application can expect to receive the following from the Colorectal Therapies HTC:

- Workshop facilitation
- Venue and catering paid for
- · Confidentiality agreements arranged
- Access to academics/clinicians/industry/health economists (for exploratory workshop)
- HTC to put in place a road map to commercialisation/proof of concept study/prototyping/etc
- Access to regulatory and legal advice

Interested, please complete the attached application form and email to colorectalhtc@leeds.ac.uk to register your interest

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