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## Spring 2015 Research Newsletter

### Our nine selected projects

At the end of March we concluded the £5m Special Funding Round and 11 awards were made totalling £5.98m. Congratulations to those of you who secured funding. The YCR website has more details of the [projects we supported](#).

Applicants often ask us what the number of applications were at each stage so the chart below shows how the round shaped up. Like all of our funding rounds, the methodology used maps onto the Association for Medical Research Charities “Principles of Peer Review” ensuring that all awards made by the Charity qualify for the Charity Research Support Fund (or QR) which results in an extra top up from HEFCE to Universities of around 25%. We are committed to providing feedback for full applications but applicants are encouraged to remember that applications compete with each other within a funding round and the relative fit with strategy and relative excellence are key factors in how we reach the final decisions on funding. Each round is also nationally competitive as we accept applications from across the UK to find the best work which can help us with our mission which is to work in partnership, fund research and support initiatives that will help people in Yorkshire to avoid, survive and cope with cancer.

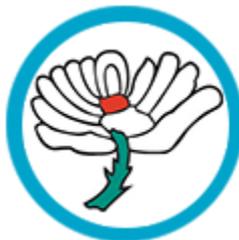


Application numbers at each stage						
77	77	42	36	23	11	11

## Calls for Abstracts - 2015 Annual Research Meeting

Come and join us on **Thursday the 2nd July** at the Pavilions in Harrogate for our annual conference to hear about the work we are funding and the recent changes to the research strategy. Details can be found on the [YCR website](#). The abstract and registration deadline is approaching so please register and send in your abstracts by **12pm midday April 30th**.

## Yorkshire Cancer Research Partnership with Yorkshire County Cricket



England will play New Zealand at Headingley in the first test match of the 2015 series. As the official charity partner of Yorkshire County Cricket, we are delighted to be able to invite you to join us for Day 3 on **Sunday 31 May**.

Our intention is to fill a section of the ground with as many YCR supporters as possible. We would very much appreciate your help to make the charity as visible as possible on the day by wearing one of our t-shirts, which will be provided at the ground. With luck, this will attract considerable media coverage and raise awareness about Yorkshire Cancer Research.

Please note that tickets must be ordered in advance and each will be “named”. They cannot be transferred and must not be sold on to any other person or organisation. If you are able to attend then please let us know by emailing [research@ycr.org.uk](mailto:research@ycr.org.uk) and including how many tickets you would like and the contact details of each person, no later than the **closing date of 5pm on Tuesday 5 May 2015**. We will need the name, address, email and contact telephone number for each person.

We will send the tickets and further information as soon as we know exactly who will be attending. It would be helpful if as many people as possible could arrive at least 30 minutes before the start of match at 11:00am so we can distribute t-shirts.

We very much look forward to seeing you at Headingley for a great day's cricket.

## Annual Report

The deadline for the 2015 annual report collection has now passed - thanks to everyone who submitted on time. We are moving towards measures of outcome and impact in line with many other charities and the Research Excellence Framework (REF). We hope to develop our annual reporting system over the next year to encompass this move and build it into a new annual reporting system. In addition, all new Awards will also have a distinct set of impact measures defined at the outset of each award which will be designed by the applicants and the Charity together.

## BBSRC PIPS Scheme

For the last few years YCR has been offering Professional Internships for PhD Students placements (PIPS) to PhD students funded by the BBSRC. We offer a range of project work over the three month placement including scientific communications, finance and award funding processes. We are now accepting placements from September 2015. Please contact [Kathryn@ycr.org.uk](mailto:Kathryn@ycr.org.uk) for further details.

## StrayExtra Health and Well-being Hour



We are on-going partners with the StrayExtra Health and Well-being show. The show is broadcast on the StrayExtra DAB radio channel at 7pm every Tuesday, as well as being available on demand.

As partners of the show we often make appearances along with special guests and experts. [Listen to our latest appearance on the show](#) where our very own Dr Kathryn Scott and Professor Phil Quirke from the University of Leeds talk about research into bowel cancer, screening, and symptoms that indicate you need to visit a doctor.

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