









# Consortium for Clinical Research and Innovation Singapore (CRIS)



To nurture and build for Singapore, cutting edge capabilities and innovation in clinical research and translation

# Programme Horizontals

Clinical Trials

Health Economics & Outcomes Research

Industry Engagement

Spearheading and developing core capabilities, infrastructure and scientific leadership for **clinical research** in Singapore

To become a global leader in the translation of cardiovascular research for better health and economic outcomes

Cohesive and focused national-level cancer research and translational programme for value based treatment of cancers



Coordinate a whole-of-government effort to implement Singapore's National Precision Medicine programme

Drive impactful health and economic outcomes for Singapore by catalysing innovation and enterprise endeavours

Provide quality manufacturing of cellular-based therapeutics and develop cell therapy services to industry and patients



# National Health Innovation Centre Singapore (NHIC)



Nationally appointed programme office to identify and commercialise promising clinical innovations from Public Health Institutions across Singapore

Dual mandate - Economic & Healthcare



Funds the translation, development & implementation of medical innovations



Project guidance & consultancy support (technical, business & clinical)



Talent development & mentorship in healthtech entrepreneurship



Strategic partnerships with corporates and ventures

# Supporting Clinical-led Innovation to Accelerate Translation, Commercialisation & Implementation











#### **IDEATION**

#### **DEVELOPMENT**

#### **COMMERCIALISATION**

#### **ADOPTION**



Innovation to Protect (I2P)

Funds the patent expenses of innovation

Joint MedTech Grant-JMT Support exploratory efforts for early-stage innovations

#### Innovation to Develop (I2D)

Develops commercially attractive innovation

#### Innovation to Industry (I2I)

Supports co-development with an industry partner

Innovation to Adopt (I2Adopt)

Supports commercially viable innovation for implementation, adoption



Brings together resources to support start-ups at Institutions

#### Expanded Thematic I2D

Supports innovations prioritized by PHC's innovation funding programmes





Supports high value therapeutic projects (NHIC is a strategic partner of STDR)

#### NRF Central Gap Fund

Evaluation and endorsement of translational and commercialisation projects from public healthcare clusters

(Designated IEO for the clinical community)

#### Talent Development and Mentorship

Groom founders/project leads with tri-competent capabilities (clinical, technical, commercial)
(Helix Immersion Programme C-Suite track, Singapore
Biodesign)

# NHIC is <u>Technology-Agnostic</u>

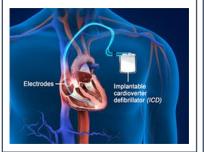


# MedTech

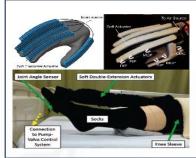












**DIAGNOSTICS** 

**SURGERY TOOL** 

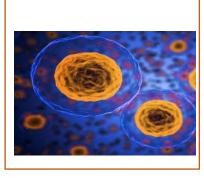
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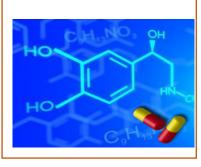
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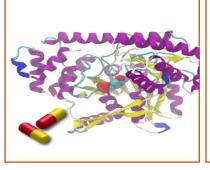
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**THERAPY** 

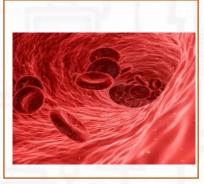
BioPharma and Stem Cell Therapy











**DRUG DELIVERY** 

**SMALL MOLECULES PEPTIDES/PROTEINS** 

**ANTIBODY** 

**CELL THERAPY** 

# Support for over 100 innovation projects from public healthcare clusters



Other technologies being adopted into local PHCs (Partner companies)

















# Innovation to Protect Grant (I2P)



# Funding patent expenses for inventions.

## **Eligibility Criteria**

- Applicant must be Head / Deputy Director / Director of the healthcare cluster designated office
- Applicant applies on behalf of inventors that hold a primary appointment at:
  - local public hospital or
  - public health institution or
  - national specialty centre

# **Healthcare Cluster Designated Office**

NHG Group Research

**NUHS Research Office** 

SingHealth Office of Intellectual Property (SHIP)

# **Funding Criteria**

- Strong patentability
- Technology development plan
- Commercialisation strategy



Throughout the year



Up to \$40,000

Depending on:

- Stage of patent protection
- Ownership ratio



6 – 12 months

Depending on stage of patent protection



**Submission** 

via designated office of healthcare cluster

NHIC does not take ownership of IP, nor recover expenses/take revenue share

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# Innovation to Develop Grant (I2D)



Funding for development of a healthcare innovation to a commercialisable endpoint.

## **Eligibility Criteria**

Principal Investigator must hold primary appointment in a

- local public hospital <u>or</u>
- public health institution <u>or</u>
- national specialty centre <u>or</u>
- academic medical school and be salaried by the institution



# **Funding Criteria**

- Healthcare impact
- Commercial potential
- Strong preliminary data
- Technology development plan



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Grant calls per year

1st Friday of:

Feb, Jun, Oct

(institutional dates may vary)



\$300,000

(inclusive of max. 30% IRC)



12 months

(max. 6 months extension)



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# Innovation to Industry Grant (I2I)



Co-development of healthcare innovation with an industry partner.

## **Eligibility Criteria**

- Successfully completed I2D funded projects (or equivalent as deemed appropriate by NHIC)
- Co-development with an industry partner to license the technology.



## **Funding Criteria**

- Healthcare impact
- Commercial potential
- Clinical feasibility data
- Binding agreement with an industry partner as a licensee



# **Open**

Throughout the year

Application by Invitation only



\$300,000

Awarded to institutions (inclusive of max. 30% IRC)



12 months

(max. 6 months extension)



# **Submission**

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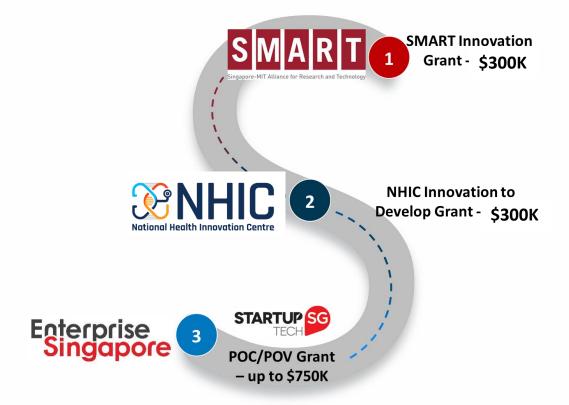
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# Innovation to Startup (I2START)



A premium funding program targeted at HealthTech start-ups from Singapore public institutions.



The tripartite partnership between NHIC, SMART, and Enterprise Singapore strategically bring together funding and resources to support start-ups.

## **Eligibility Criteria**

- Entry: TRL 3\* and above
- Health Technologies in the following areas;
  - Clinical diagnostics
  - Medical device and products
  - Digital health
  - Life science tools, etc
- Team with the intent to start-up a company
- Team must consist of one Clinical PI and Technical PI from public institutions

**Clinical PI** must hold primary appointment in a

local public hospital <u>or</u> public health institution <u>or</u>
national specialty centre <u>or</u> academic medical school
and be salaried by the institution



# **Letter of Intent**

Submit LOI to I2Start Grant Secretariat at <a href="mailto:grant@nhic.cris.sg">grant@nhic.cris.sg</a>

Please visit www.nhic.sg to find out future submission dates.

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# **National Research Foundation (NRF) Central Gap Fund (Central Gap)**



A national-level platform to resource impactful and preferably collaborative projects to translate research outcomes into products, processes and/or services that generate economic and societal benefits for Singapore.

### **Eligible Entities**

Local public hospitals, public health institutions and national specialty centres.

#### NHIC's Role

- NHIC is the designated Innovation and Enterprise Office (IEO) for public hospitals, public health institutions and national specialty centres.
- All Central Gap applications must be endorsed by NHIC in its capacity as IEO.

### **Funding Criteria**

- Project scope
- Commercialisation potential
- Team composition
- Technical innovation
- Institutional support



Throughout the year Applications to be batch processed







with NHIC is required

More info please visit www.nrf.gov.sg/funding-grants/central-gap-fund

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# A glimpse into our innovation portfolio



# Ideation



A HSA-approved/CE Mark IVD blood test used in conjunction with gastroscopy for early detection of **gastric cancer** 

# Development



Novel formulations for improving the bioavailability and pharmacokinetics of 5-hydroxytryptophan (5-HTP) for first-choice **adjunctive treatment in depressed patients** responding inadequately to conventional antidepressants

# Co-Development

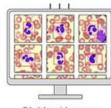


Ex-vivo validation and detection of **peritoneal metastases** (PM)

# Startups



Boehringer Ingelheim partners with Enleofen to develop first-in-class Anti-IL-11 Therapies for a range of **Fibrotic Diseases** (antibody treatment)



Digitised images

An algorithm for **diagnosis of peripheral blood films** via deep learning and computer vision.



Medical image processing methods and systems for analysis of coronary artery stenoses and automated classification of arterial calcium



An image processing platform, iScreen to Empower Radiology and Clinicians Through Artificial Intelligence (e.g. detection and classification of Intracranial Haemorrhage)



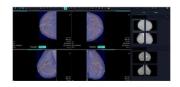


SELENA+: A deep learning system for diabetic retinopathy and related eye diseases

# A glimpse into our innovation in Implementation Phase















**FxMammo** is a radiological computed assisted detection of breast cancer on acquired mammography images

**uSINE** is an ultrasound guidance software that identifies spinal landmarks with guidance markers - needle navigation system

**aiTriage** platform enables rapid and accurate triage for chest pain patients

# **Driving Clinical Adoption, Investor Confidence & Overseas Expansion for Startups**



#### **Chronic kidney disease**

- Mesh Bio Attains Regulatory Approval for HealthVector® Diabetes
- Expansion to Indonesia supported by East Ventures



#### **Surgical technologies**

- KLARO™ portable surgical light (global)
- ENLYT® flexible endoscope (US)
- ERES™ endoscopic robot (China)



#### **Respiratory monitoring**

- Secured USFDA for Remote Respiratory Monitoring Platform, backed by the Cedars-Sinai Accelerator
- Secured investment from East Ventures to expand into Southeast Asia

# Talent Development





SINGAPORE BIODESIGN Helix Immersion Program



Identifying and validating unmet clinical needs/product development using the biodesign process adapted for the region

Groom founders/project leads with **tri- competent capabilities (clinical, technical, commercial)** for biotech and
medtech sectors

# NHIC CADRE Partners - Corporates and Ventures



Clinical Advancement and Development for Research, Entrepreneurship and Enterprise (CADRE)

- Open Innovation/Collaboration
- Venture Building/Investments

- Talent Exchange and Development
- Knowledge sharing

































# Forging Meaningful International I&E Partnerships for Singapore's Clinical Community

- Co-development/Co-funding
- Test-bedding/Implementation
- New Technology Use-Cases
- Market Access & Investment
- Talent Development
- Collaborative Clinical Studies

# International Network





Leverage Enterprise Singapore-Global Innovation where applicable





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