

# PLATINUM Grant

PLATform technologies around biological INsights or Undiscovered Modalities

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*Supporting and enabling disruptive platform technologies*

- First launched in April 2020
- Provides funding and advisory support for PIs
- To develop and advance innovative platform technologies towards a potential spin out



## Novo Nordisk's 2020 LabCentral "Golden Ticket" Winners

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## PLATINUM Grant

*Academic research grant to support PIs developing biotech-focused platform therapeutic technologies*

- **Aim:** To seed innovative scientific substrates for platform technologies into the local biotech ecosystem
- **Fast streamlined application process :** 4 months
- **Grant amount :** \$450k, with potential for top-up on a case-by-case basis

\*If > \$150k is requested, it might take more time to get matching funds



- **Grant duration:** For 12 months, to achieve POC for platform technology
- **IP:** Research outcomes and all IP belong to public institutions
- **Unique opportunity for PIs to become scientific co-founders of their own biotech companies**

## Advantages of the PLATINUM Grant

Access to research funding for biotech-focused R&D



### Access to EVX Ventures' biotech venture building resources

- Seed funding and company formation
- Interim management, SAB recruitment, R&D team
- VC funding at Series A

### Opportunity to co-found a globally-competitive biotech company

- Work with early-stage biotech VC like EVX to:
- Brainstorm scientifically
  - Obtain later stage VC feedback
  - Formulate venture hypothesis based on your research work

## Assessment Criteria

<b>Tech/IP Competitive Advantage</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• What is the unmet technological/medical need?</li><li>• How does it compare to the competition (latest publications, etc.)?</li><li>• Will the IP still be competitive in 3-5 years time?</li></ul>
<b>Market Size</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• What are the top 3 indications that the IP can address?</li><li>• What are their respective potential market sizes?</li></ul>
<b>Risk Mitigation</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• What are the risks?</li><li>• Can these risks be sufficiently mitigated via a PLATINUM Grant?</li></ul>

# Timeline for PLATINUM Grant

Rapid 3-month Process from Application Close to Grant Award



Send your applications or any enquiries to [platinum@evx.ventures](mailto:platinum@evx.ventures)

## Application Procedure



Quick & easy application (summary, basic administrative information and a scientific presentation deck)



Please only include **non-confidential** information for the initial application (e.g. by redacting target names)

### Applicant particulars – 1 slide

#### Summary of proposed Platform Technology – A maximum of 3 slides

- Provide an overall summary of the platform technology and its advantages
- Outline the possible therapies that can be developed using the platform
- What specific application is your lead product in and why?

#### Background IP Status- 1 slide

- Have any Technology Disclosures/Patent applications for background IP been filed with A\*STAR?
- Have you collaborated with any industry partners in the development of your platform technology, past and present?
- Is the background IP or any potential future foreground IP jointly owned by an industry partner?

#### Research Slides – A maximum of 30 slides

# Platinum Grant LOI (with A\*STAR)

Add names of PIs and Co-PIs

E.g. PI name

Research Institute

Co-PI name

Research Institute

# Applicant Particulars

<b>Project Title:</b>		
<b>Principal Investigator:</b>		
<b>Institution: [Name of A*STAR RI]</b>	<b>E-mail Address:</b>	<b>Telephone No.:</b>
<b>Co-Principal Investigator* (if applicable):</b>		
<b>Institution:</b>	<b>E-mail Address:</b>	<b>Telephone No.:</b>

\* Maximum of 1 co-investigator

## Instructions

EVX Ventures is an experienced venture builder – we have seen many scientific slide decks. EVX is able to assess the platform technology from a scientific presentation deck + use of competitive intelligence databases

- To make this a painless application, other a summary and basic administrative information, we simply request a scientific presentation deck. This is what is presented at seminars and conferences.
- EVX and BMRC have signed a non-disclosure agreement (NDA) covering all BMRC RIs. While typically only non-confidential data is included, you may want to consider also including unpublished data if it adds compelling evidence. Your data will be kept in the strictest confidence in accordance to the signed NDA
- EVX and A\*STAR will do the heavy lifting of reading through the application and shortlist candidates for the Final Submission. Shortlisted candidates will be notified via email. Only in the Final Submission will PIs need to include Aims, Timelines, Milestones and Deliverables and Budget. Please refer to the Final Submission template

## Summary of Platform Technology (3 slides max)

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# Research Slides (Non-Confidential)

Attach your scientific presentation slides after this slide

Limit to no more than 30 slides