

# NHMRC Synergy Grants

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| Synergy Grants Quick Facts         |                      |
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| <b>DURATION</b>                    | 5 years              |
| <b>NUMBER OF CI's</b>              | 4-10                 |
| <b>NUMBER OF AI's</b>              | Maximum of 10        |
| <b>FUNDING</b>                     | FIXED at \$5,000,000 |
| <b>NUMBER FUNDED PER ANNUM</b>     | 10                   |
| <b>NUMBER OF ASSESSMENT STAGES</b> | 2                    |

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‘Synergy’ is defined as the quality of diverse team’s multidisciplinary and collaborative approach to solving a major health and medical research question, while building workforce capacity

## Example

Research into the assessment and management of cardiovascular risk to develop new approaches to individualised absolute risk assessment and management. This may require a research team that includes **public health researchers with qualitative and quantitative skills, clinicians** with a range of expertise across the lifecycle and continuum from hospital to community care, **geneticists, behavioural, biomedical engineering and informatics scientists, dieticians and exercise scientists** and **health consumers** (especially from vulnerable population groups).

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“Multiple disciplinary research” covers research by teams that integrate information, data, techniques, tools, perspectives, concepts, methodologies and/or theories from two or more disciplines or bodies of specialised knowledge to advance fundamental understanding or to solve questions whose solutions are **beyond the scope of a single discipline or are of research practice.**

Synergy Grants should **span under-represented groups** in health and medical research. This includes career stage, gender and researchers from different cultures.

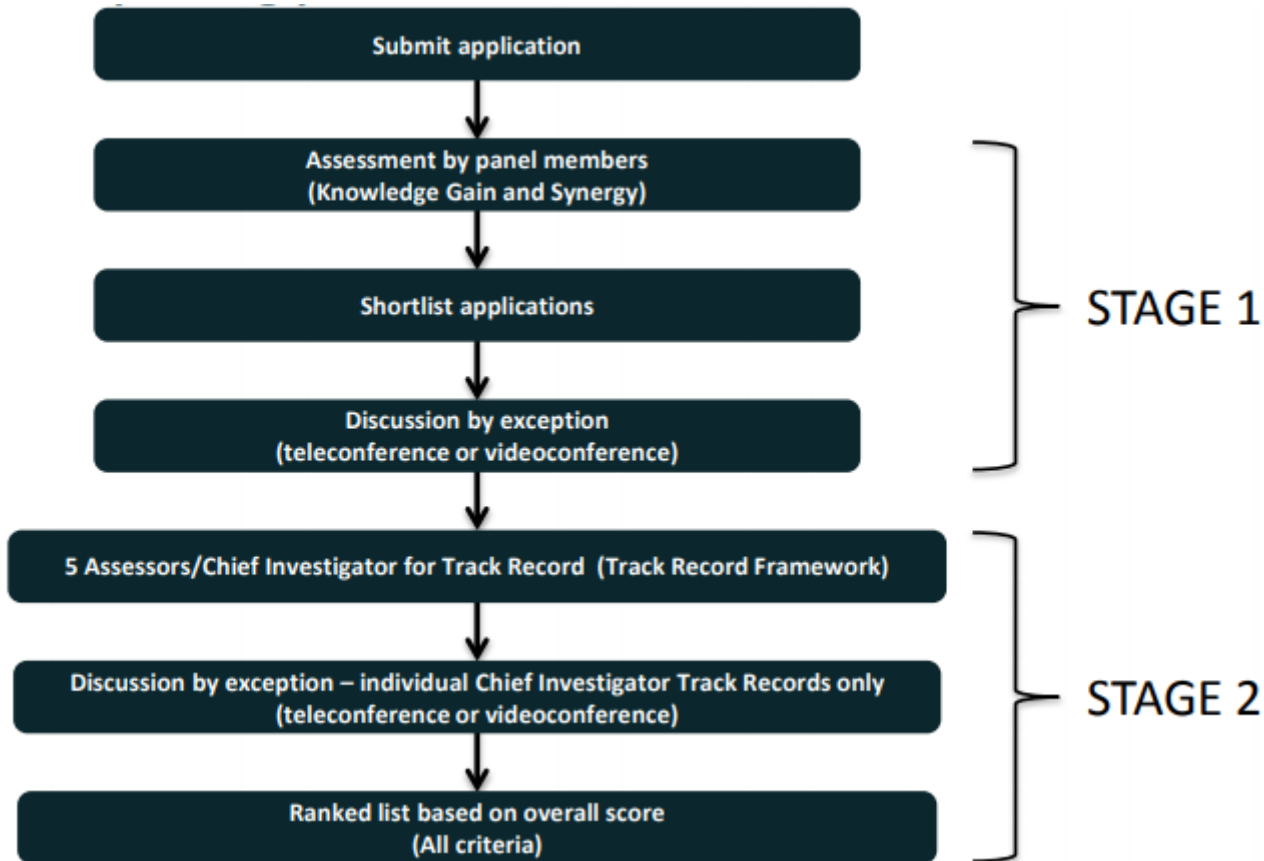
# Synergy Grants: Criteria

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| Component                         | Page or Character Limit  | Weighting (scoring) |
|-----------------------------------|--|---------------------|
| Knowledge Gain                    | 8 page proposal<br>2 page references                             | 30%                 |
| <u>Synergy (CI team only)</u>     | 3 pages total  | 30%                 |
| <i>Diversity</i>                  | <i>1 page</i>  |                     |
| <i>Multidisciplinarity</i>        | <i>1 page</i>  |                     |
| <i>Collaborative Gain</i>         | <i>1 page</i>  |                     |
| <u>Track Record (CI only) RTO</u> |  | 40%                 |
| <i>Publications</i>               | <i>2000 character on top 5 &amp; publication list (10 years)</i> | 20%                 |
| <i>Research Impact</i>            | <i>3 x 2000 characters</i>                                       | 15%                 |
| <i>Leadership</i>                 | <i>4 x 2000 characters</i>                                       | 5%                  |

# Peer Review for Synergy Grants

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