The aim of this grant from Lund University’s Sustainability Fund is to bridge the gap between basic research and innovation/utilization of research results. Projects that can be supported must be intended to support a new hypothesis based on your existing research data, for the development of novel services, methods, products, processes, or technologies. Projects can apply for funding up to 150 000 SEK.

*Instructions for completing this form in italic.*

*Please use Times new Roman 10 pt for all information, in either Swedish or English.*

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| **Note! If you have an idea that might be patentable,**  If you have an idea that might be patentable, please note that novelty is a patentability requirement. Information sent to a government body in Sweden is legally considered a public document, so avoid specifying essential features in the application. If you are uncertain, please contact Per Mercke.  ([per.mercke@innovation.lu.se](mailto:per.mercke@innovation.lu.se)) for advice. |

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| **A1 PROJECT INFORMATION** | |
| **Project Title** |  |
| **Project Leader (PL)** | Name:  E-mail:  Phone number:  Gender:  Position at department: |
| **Coordinating academic organization/department** |  |
| **Requested funding** | SEK |
| **Project period** (max 12 months and starting date must be between 20240701 and 20250101) |  |
| **Main sustainability aspect**  **(**Tick box or make text bold) | Social or economic  Environmental |
| **The hosting department has approved the application and confirms the applicant will be employed the entire planned project period**  **(**Tick box or make text bold) | Yes  No |

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| **A2 PROJECT – TEAM MEMBERS** | |
| **Name, Affiliation, Title** | **Role in the project** |
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| **A3 BACKGROUND INFORMATION** | |
| *Specify information about the research that has generated the innovative idea/hypothesis.* | |
| **Name of project(s)** |  |
| **Name of funding organization(s)** |  |
| **Amount granted** |  |
| **Name of PL** *(could also be the applicant)* |  |
| **Has the PL already received or applied for innovation support (e.g., Novo Seeds, VFT, ERC-Proof of Concept, VR-Proof of Concept)?** | *If yes, please give name of funding organisation, program and project title.* |

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| **B1 PROJECT DESCRIPTION** |
| *The following aspects have to be covered in the project description (maximum 2500 character incl spaces):*  *- Summary of the research that the project is based on. Briefly explain the research projects and the research results that led you to this hypothesis that you want to investigate.  - Describe the innovative hypothesis that project aims to investigate/develop/validate.  - Describe the uniqueness of the hypothesis, in comparison to competing concepts if any are known.* |
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| **B2 SUSTAINABILITY ASPECT TARGETED** |
| *We are looking for ideas that can lead to positive impact on sustainability in its future use in both scope and duration. With sustainability we mean all three dimensions of sustainable development: economic, social, and environmental as defined in the 2030 Agenda for sustainable development.*  *The following aspects have to be covered in the description of the sustainability aspect targeted (maximum 2500 characters incl spaces):*  *- Describe the problem today where the solution is supposed to be used. - What are the consequences now, and in the future, of the current situation.  - The scope of the problem.*  *- Describe how the project/problem/solution is connected to relevant sustainable development goals (see* [*https://sdgs.un.org/goals*](https://sdgs.un.org/goals) *)* |
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| **B3 PROJECT APPROACH** |
| *The following aspects have to be covered in the project approach:*  *- Describe the approach of how you will investigate/demonstrate/verify the innovative potential. - Which are the main challenges that the project addresses? (Mention at least two) - How will this approach increase interest for the project among its stakeholders? - Who are the stakeholders that might be interested in investing money and/or time in the future exploration if this project meets its deliverables?*  *- What is the plan for the continuation after a successfully completed project?* |
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| **B4 EFFECTS AND RESULTS** |
| *Describe how the end-user would benefit from result of this project if successful.* |
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| **B5 PROJECT PLAN** | | |
| *The project activities should be described as work package(s) (WPs). The application can very well have just one WP. If the applicants want to do different types of activities (e.g., in vivo studies, contact with potential industrial partners etc), these should be structured in distinct work packages with relevant deliverables. The selection of deliverables should reflect the applicant’s approach to validate the innovative potential of this Pre-Seed project.* | | |
| **Work package (title)** | **Time (start and end)** | **Detailed description** |
| *WP 1* |  | Activities: |
| Deliverables (quantifiable where possible): |
| Contribution from team members and other partners: |
| *WP 2 (if relevant)* |  | Activities: |
|  |  | Deliverables (quantifiable where possible): |
|  |  | Contribution from team members and other partners: |

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| **B6 BUDGET** | | | |
|  |  | **WP1** | **WP2**  **If relevant** | |
| **Direct cost** | Salary |  |  | |
| Estimated hours (in total) |  |  | |
| Material |  |  | |
| Services |  |  | |
| Travel costs |  |  | |
| Other direct costs |  |  | |
| **Indirect cost** | Indirect cost/  incl. overhead[[1]](#footnote-1) |  |  | |
| **Sum (SEK)** | |  |  | |

1. According to guidelines from the Host (academic) organization [↑](#footnote-ref-1)