



What are eligible and ineligible costs?

Eligible costs:

Directly Incurred Costs are those items that are charged directly to the project. They are verifiable and auditable and include:

Research Associates' salaries, salaries for anyone charged to the project, e.g. contractors

Travel & subsistence

Materials, consumables and equipment

Visas, vaccines and ethics fees

Ineligible costs:

Directly Allocated Costs: for e.g. building and premises costs, basic services and utilities, equipment maintenance or operational costs

Indirect Costs: Overheads and administration costs

We do not pay PI salaries, PhD stipends, students' fees, bench fees and publication costs.

What travel, accommodation and subsistence costs can be covered?

If the African PI comes to live and work in Cambridge for a few months, their accommodation and subsistence costs can be covered by the grant. The rates (including the daily subsistence rate) can be found [here](#)

We recommend that you investigate college accommodation, which are reasonably priced, but strongly advise that you plan well ahead and avoid visits in October.

Cambridge Africa also pays for return economy tickets

How do I find a collaborator at the University of Cambridge?

Please search our [Researchers' Database](#) and if you find anyone with shared interests, we can make the connection. If you cannot find any suitable collaborators, we do our best to find a suitable match for you, although, this is not always possible depending on your field of interest and the workload of relevant people in Cambridge.

Can Cambridge-Africa help with getting a UK visa?

No, we do not deal with visas and it needs to be done through the host department. (Cambridge PI department).

The actual cost of the visa can be budgeted for in the application, as it is part of the eligible costs, however Cambridge-Africa does not deal with the application and processing of visas.

Can I submit 2 applications with the same collaborator or another collaborator?

This is allowable providing that they are 2 entirely different projects, but please note that because of a large number of applications we usually receive, it's not guaranteed that both of the projects will get funded.

Please note that our system doesn't allow the second submission and applicants need to contact Cambridge Africa ALBORADA Research Fund Coordinator alboradafund@cambridge-africa.cam.ac.uk

For Departmental Grant Administrators & Accounts

Do I need to run an X5?

No, you do not need to run an X5.

How do departments receive the funds?

Grants will be activated by the Research Operations office on receipt of signed Award and Collaboration Agreement Letters where Collaboration Agreement Letters are issued. You will be provided with the grant number and project code when the grant is activated.

NIAB, Wellcome Trust – Sanger, Babraham and other Cambridge University affiliated research institutes should invoice the Department of Veterinary Medicine for the full amount of award.

How do I send money to Africa?

As per the T&Cs, the Cambridge department is in charge of managing the funds. It is expected that the Cambridge University Department will **advance** the proportion of funds required for use by the collaborating institution on execution of the collaboration agreement and will subsequently reconcile expenditure against the advance.

Do I need to complete a Due Diligence form for a new African institute?

As the maximum amount of award is £20,000 (below £25,000) you do not need to complete a Due Diligence form

Please do not hesitate to contact alboradafund@cambridge-africa.cam.ac.uk should you have any further questions.