**Comparative table: Isaac Newton Trust Research Grants 2017-18 - summary**

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|  | **Emergency Grants** | **Project** **Grants** | **Strategic Research**  **Programmes & Projects** |
| **Purpose** | Tiding over a project and/or young post-doc at the end of a grant before the next grant starts | Making possible a research project:   * of high quality and vision * innovative and unlikely to be funded from standard sources * seed-corn, start-up, proof-of-concept | Strategic, possibly interdisciplinary, research programmes (eg postdoc fellowship programmes)or projects, especially where partial external funds have been secured or can be released by an ‘institutional’ contribution. |
| **Application rounds** | **Three** per annum: M, L, E Terms | **Three** per annum: M, L, E Terms | **One** per annum: preliminary bids in M Term;  full bids in L Term from invited applicants |
| **Period funded** | normally less than one year | up to three years | up to five years |
| **Maximum grant** | up to £30k (ie slightly more than the cost of an RA salary for 7 mo) | up to £60k | normally from about £200k up to £1m |
| **Matching funding required?** | Ideally, yes, but not required; | required | yes, but this requirement might be waived if a compelling case is made as to why it cannot be achieved; where the application is likely to be of strategic importance *to the University*, evidence of University support, normally in the form of a financial contribution, would be *expected* |
| **Priority given to** | early career researchers (who may apply for their own salary in some cases) | early career researchers should take priority over established PIs | Truly visionary strategic proposals, enabling new areas of research or new partnerships to be established |
| ***What can be included in the application?*** | | | |
| **Salary costs**  **for RA(s)** | basic salary and on-costs up to point 43 on single spine | basic salary and on-costs for up to point 43 on single spine | basic salary and on-costs for up to point 43 on the single spine |
| **Technician salaries** | no | not normally,but could be considered if a suitable case is made | not normally,but could be considered if a suitable case is made |
| **Equipment\*** | no | A modest contribution may be made | Not normally |
| **Consumables** | no | A modest contribution may be made | A modest contribution may be made |
| **Full Economic Costs** | no | no | no |

\*see also **Equipment Grants**