**Application for a BSAVA PetSavers’**

**Student Research Project (SRP) grant**

**General notes:**

1. **Please complete all sections. If a section is not relevant to your application, please state N/A and explain why it is not applicable.**
2. **Please make sure to complete the checklist at the end of the form. Your application will be returned to you if this is not complete.**
3. **Please follow the additional guidance notes provided in each section.**
4. **Maximum word limits must be strictly adhered to and are not ‘targets’; you are strongly advised to write as clearly and succinctly as possible.**
5. **Graphics and schematics to improve understanding of study design/aim are encouraged.**

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| **Name of supervisor (main applicant)** |  |
| **Qualifications** |  |
| **ORCiD ID if available** |  |
| **Current post**  |  |
| **Work address** |  |
| **Email address**  |  |
| **Work telephone number**  |  |
| **Mobile telephone number** |  |
| **Co-applicants** **Name(s), institution(s),** **e-mail address(es) Please list all those who will be involved with the project, adding additional spaces if required** |  |  |
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| **Name and email address of the undergraduate student (if known)** |  |

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| **Details of the research project** **Please note that content from the lay summary, background, aims/objectives and potential benefits sections from funded projects may be used on the BSAVA PetSavers’ website to help publicise grant awarding and research impact** |
| **Title**  |  |
| **Proposed start date** |  |
| **Duration (up to 10 weeks) – please also indicate the time period(s) that the project will run. Note that the weeks do not have to be consecutive** |  |

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| **Lay summary** * **Answer each of the following summary questions in a short sentence at the level of understanding of a 1st year (veterinary) undergraduate**
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| 1. **Why do you plan to carry out the study (what problem/knowledge gap do you want to address)?**
2. **What do you expect the results to be (what is your hypothesis/prediction)?**
3. **What impact do you think your findings will have (how will this help pets now and/or in the future)?**
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| **Research question (maximum 50 words)** * **This may/may not be the same as your project title, but in any case should be closely linked with it**
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| Background (maximum 500 words plus references) * **Explain why you are interested in the research question, what is already known (including the size/significance of the problem), and what problem/knowledge gap you intend to address (including relevant references)**
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| Hypotheses (maximum 100 words) * **Clearly state your hypotheses (providing a maximum of 3; use bullet points if there is more than 1)**
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| Aim and objectives (maximum 200 words)Describe the overall goal (aim) of your study and state the specific objectives that must be met in order to achieve this goalDistinguish between primary and secondary objectives if applicable |
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| **Study design / Methods (maximum 1000 words)** * **You may include graphics or schematics (maximum 4) if this aids with the communication of your study design**
* **Subheadings may be used (optional)**
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| **Clearly describe the study population and any control group(s)** |
| **Indicate how participants/samples will be recruited/obtained, inclusion and exclusion criteria, and any steps you will take to reduce potential bias** |
| **Include details of sample size, power analysis and any published data or pilot data that have informed this** |
| **List any prior experience of the proposed technique(s) and state if this is a planned optimisation or validation study** |
| **Where the study requires recruitment of new cases or acquisition of new samples, provide evidence of feasibility by reference to past caseload of subjects/samples that would meet the described inclusion/exclusion criteria** |
| **Explain what, when, and how measurements will be performed/observations made and by whom** |

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| **Analysis / Results (maximum 500 words)*** **You are strongly encouraged to refer to your study design when choosing and selecting appropriate statistical tests**
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| **Describe what kind of data will be generated and how it will be processed** |
| **Provide details of proposed statistical or other analyses** |

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| **What are the potential risks to individual animals in the study and how will you minimise these? (maximum 300 words)** |
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| What are the potential benefits to individual animals in the study and/or to other animals in the future? (maximum 300 words) |
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| **Have any applicants received a BSAVA PetSavers’ grant at any time? Please give details**  |
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| **Has this grant proposal previously been submitted for a BSAVA PetSavers’ grant?** * **Grant proposals previously shortlisted, but not funded, by PetSavers can be resubmitted for consideration in one further grant call. You will have been notified if your previous grant proposal was shortlisted**
* **Please include details of any previous submission of this proposal, including the year of submission, and outline how this application differs from your earlier submission**
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| **Student training** * **Will the student be an undergraduate student vet, vet nurse or bioveterinary student?**
* **List the key training outcomes for the student through completion of this project**
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| **Supervision** * **Give details of who will be responsible for day-to-day supervision of the student**
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| **Presentation of a Clinical Abstract at BSAVA Congress** * **Students will be given the opportunity to present an Abstract of their work in a separate stream at BSAVA Congress (usually in the spring following their project). They will receive a free ticket to attend, a travel bursary and feedback on their Abstract and presentation in a supportive environment**
* **Please provide any information that might affect this presentation, such as dates of known student placements**
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**Project ethics**

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| **Have you received ethical approval for this proposal? Please delete as required** |
| **Yes, supporting documents are attached / Not yet, but it has been applied for / No** |

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| **I confirm that the project will not involve work with experimental animals, including tissues derived from experimental animals: Yes / No** |

**Expenditure**

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| **Analysis of costs - please note that the grant must not be used to fund publication charges** |
| Total stipend requested (@£200/week for up to 10 weeks; only payable outside term time)  |  |
| Itemised list of consumables (up to £1200) |  |
| **Total grant requested** |  |

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| **BSAVA is committed to sustainability and would like to support research that shares these values. Please provide a link to your institutional sustainability policy (if possible), but note that this will not form part of the assessment process** |
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| **Any other relevant information**  |
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**Where did you hear of this grant call?**

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| [ ]   | Previous grant applicant |
| [ ]   | Email |
| [ ]   | BSAVA PetSavers’ website  |
| [ ]   | BSAVA PetSavers’ social media |
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| [ ]   | BSAVA library |
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Please check here if you would like to be kept informed of future BSAVA PetSavers’ grant calls [ ]

 **CV Pro-Forma**

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| **A truncated CV is requested to reduce paperwork.** **This page should be duplicated if there is more than one applicant.** |

1. Name

2. Current post (title, institution/ practice, date of appointment)

3. Posts held within the last 10 years

4. Details of previous research experience or training (include title, amount and source of funding)

5. Details of previous or current research supervision (what qualifications were gained by the scholars, and what were the outcomes of their research projects, e.g. presentations and publications)

6. Relevant publications (list up to 10, give the citation in full, including the title of the paper and list all authors)

7. Additional information that relates directly to the application (use up to 10 lines of text)

**BSAVA PetSavers’ SRP Grant Application Check List – please complete**Please note that the application will not be considered unless this checklist is complete

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| [ ]   | Application form completed and signed by all applicants and Head of Department |
| [ ]   | Details of study design including sample size calculations, recruitment/sampling methods and feasibility |
| [ ]   | Details and costs of consumables requested (prices must exclude VAT) |
| [ ]   | CV proformas of all applicants  |
| [ ]   | Ethical committee approval  |
| [ ]   | Grant terms and conditions signed by the main applicant and institutional representative |

**I confirm that the information provided herein is accurate, correct and complete**

Name of main applicant ……………………………………………………………………………

Signature ……………………………………………………………………………

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| **Name and signature of head of department** |  |
| **Signatures of all applicants** |  |
| **Date** |  |

**Please submit the completed application form together with the signed Terms and Conditions and ethical approval documents to** **petsaversadmin@bsava.com**