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# RAMSAY FELLOWSHIP MARKING CRITERIA

Fellowships are awarded following the advice of a scientific panel that ranks the proposals against the following criteria (in order of importance):

## RESEARCH PROJECT

The research project should be written for our diverse committee who may not have exactly the right expertise to appreciate the significance of the work unless it is articulated well. The research planned should be placed in context of what else is being done world-wide and it should be clear what the precise plan is for the two years of the fellowship, with a focus on novelty and originality.

## TRACK RECORD

Publications are key. This does not mean only impact factor or citations, as it is accepted that these vary from field to field. Nonetheless, a top candidate would be expected to have more than the average number of publications for an early-career researcher in their field, and of better quality. There should be clear evidence of the candidates' personal contributions to multi-author papers. The significance of any prizes and awards should be explained.



Sir William Ramsay

## INDEPENDENCE

It must be clear that the candidate will be doing their own independent research. We will be sympathetic to candidates wishing to stay in the same institution if they have articulated clearly why this was the best choice (professional and/or personal) and made it clear how they would be independent from their current supervisor.

## LETTERS OF SUPPORT

These will be judged on strength of support for the candidate and on their choice of institution. The host investigator should explain clearly how the candidate will develop their independence and what support will be provided by the institution.

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