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Project	Project is unrealistic in the given timeframe and without a clear timeline. It might tenuously relate to reproduction/fertility.	Project is achievable but potentially optimistic and overly ambitious. Timeline may be unclear. Project has reproductive focus.	Project is achievable and realistic in time frame, with a clear timeline, with a reproduction/fertility focus.
Student	Already have the skills and experience. Have not articulated how the project will benefit them and have no clear idea about future career paths. Have not articulated a passion for reproductive research.	Have some skillsets already and will learn some new skills. Have articulated what they want to do but don't relate the scholarship award in reference to future career progression. Shows some interest in reproductive research.	They will learn new skills. They have clearly articulated what they want to do next and outlined how the scholarship will help in achieving this. Has a passion for reproductive research.
Value for money	Little consideration for budget in the context of work described.	Budget is provided but lacking detail for supporting the work outlined	Budget is well explained and details all aspects of work proposed, including additional funds provided by the lab.
Meets project criteria	Limited understanding of project background, lacking/superficial aims and objectives.	Summarised background but aims/objectives missing. Or has aims and objectives but little context in relevant literature.	Project has summarised background literature, has justified aims, objectives and methods.
Value to reproduction and fertility	Doesn't understand the context of their project in R and F arena.	Knows the context of their project but lacking awareness of wider relevance.	Knows the context of their project in the wider R and F arena. The findings may be publishable/presented at Fertility.

Eligibility criteria

Stage of academic programme is Yr2 of 3 yr program, or 3 of 4 year program (BSc/MSci, respectively). MBBS/VetMed between Yrs 2-3 or 3-4.

HoD/University sign off.

Supervisor sign off.

Supervisor member of SRF.

New T and C. If consumable funding isn't required e.g., for data analysis projects, consumable money will not be provided.

Funding maximum of 8 weeks. Consumable money can be transferred to the student to fund a maximum of 10 weeks scholarship* (*maintaining the £250 weekly allowance in line with SRF policy).

Flexibility to use the award for up to 6 months post award date.

Students must submit a report by 1st December.

Vacation scholarships supervised by early career postdoctoral researchers, fellows and new PI's are particularly encouraged.