

# COVID-19 Funding Program

## General criteria for proposal evaluation

All criteria are to be scored on a scale of 0 to 10. Ten is the highest score a project can receive on a specific criterion.

1.	<p>Is the proposed project specific to COVID-19, demonstrating new or existing techniques to measure impacts, detect, and/or combat the disease:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The proposed research aligns with the Covid-19 research priorities laid out by the WHO and other federal funding agencies, such as CIHR.</li> </ul>
2.	<p>There is a potential socioeconomic impact (direct or indirect) on NB from this work, for example:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The work has the potential to contribute to the global response on Covid-19</li> <li>The work addresses NB specific aspects of the disease or its impacts</li> <li>This work may help New Brunswickers cope with the disease or its impacts</li> <li>There are potential policy impacts from this work</li> <li>This work may create a new commercial product</li> <li>This work may help existing companies cope with Covid-19 or its impacts</li> </ul>
3.	<p>The principal researcher and their collaborators have the capacity to execute the project.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Infrastructure</li> <li>Equipment</li> <li>Personnel (both directly in the PI's team and the collaborators engaged)</li> <li>Previous experience in the field is not a criterion for evaluation; however, it needs to be shown that the team can carry out the proposed work.</li> <li>Demonstrated ability to quickly put together all the necessary resources to begin or complete the proposed project in a timely manner, aligning with the global response to act quickly</li> </ul>

4.	<p>The principal researcher has a strong plan for dissemination of the results</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Appropriate partners in industry and/or government are engaged, or there is a plan to engage them at a later date.</li> <li>• Will the knowledge flow in two directions between the researchers and the partners/impacted groups, allowing for feedback and input?</li> <li>• There is a plan for knowledge dissemination outside of academia</li> </ul>
5.	<p>The budget requested has been justified and the timeline for the work is feasible</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The PI has explained why the requested budget is needed to carry out the work</li> <li>• There are milestones in place to complete the described work within 1.5 years</li> </ul>
6.	<p>The proposal presents the necessary information so that it can be properly evaluated.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Is the proposal well structured and all the information is there so you can make a sound decision?</li> </ul>