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The Melville Trust for the Care and Cure of Cancer
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Vacation Scholarships

The trustees invite applications for Melville Trust Vacation Scholarships. These awards provide promising undergraduates with hands-on experience of cancer research during the summer vacation, with the aim of encouraging them to consider a career in research. The track record of students is a major consideration in deciding outcome, and the process is competitive.

Scholarships are available for **six to eight weeks' work** and currently provide a stipend of **£300 per week**, which will be paid after receipt and approval of the formal short report of the work conducted.

Student applicants must be at a university within the UK or Republic of Ireland, registered for a science, medicine, dentistry or veterinary degree and must not have completed their undergraduate education and graduated by the time of commencing their Vacation Scholarship period. The sponsoring laboratory must be in Lothian, Fife, Tayside or Borders.

Scholarships are not available for the completion of student projects that are part of the normal degree course, or for students wishing to undertake research in laboratories outside Lothian, Fife, Tayside or Borders.

Only one application is permitted per student and/or per Project Supervisor. Please note that throughout, the term 'Supervisor' should be taken to mean intended grantholder. Applications must be submitted on behalf of the student, by the Project Supervisor. **Students should contact prospective Supervisors themselves, not the trust.**

Up to fifteen scholarships may be awarded. All applications are firstly reviewed by a Scientific Advisory Committee which comprises of representatives from the Royal College of Surgeons, the Royal College of Physicians and the University of Edinburgh. Their opinions on the applications are passed to the trustees for their consideration and final decision.

Application forms will be made available upon request by contacting the Trust Secretary at Shepherd and Wedderburn LLP at melvilletrust@shepwedd.com.

Duly completed application forms, including all the necessary signatures and clear photocopies of all required licences/approvals, should be submitted no later than **12 February 2021** by email to melvilletrust@shepwedd.com.