Covid-19 Surveys

Academic Outputs

22. Have you received any funding for Covid-19 related research areas?

- 141 people answered this questioned. 4 out of 5 respondents in both 2020 and 2021 selected that this question did not apply to them, or they did not want to apply for funding.
- A marginally higher percentage (1.3%) of the people that were eligible to apply or applied for funding in 2021 (24 people) were men or had caring responsibilities than in 2020.
- The percentage of respondents that received funding related to Covid-19 related research areas is marginally lower in 2021 than in 2020 (-1.8%).

In 2021, 83% of respondents either skipped the question, or selected 'Not applicable/Did not want to apply for funding' (117/141 people). This group was roughly gender balanced (+/-2%).

This presents a similar picture to the 2020 survey: 82% of respondents either skipped the question, or selected 'Not applicable/Did not want to apply for funding'. This group was roughly gender balanced.

In 2021, 11.3% of respondents selected they would have 'liked to apply for Covid-19 related funding but did not have the time or resources to do so' (16 people). This is two-thirds (66.7%) of the people that indicated they were eligible/wanted to apply/applied (16 out of 24 people).

- This group was just over two-thirds men (warning: small numbers, 9 out of 16 people).
- A quarter either had or suspected they had contracted Covid-19.
- Just over two-thirds had caring responsibilities (11 people).

In 2020, 10% of respondents selected they would have 'liked to apply for Covid-19 related funding but did not have the time or resources to do so' (14 people). This is just over half the people that indicated they were eligible/wanted to apply/applied (14 out of 26).

- This group was roughly gender balanced.
- Just over a third of these suspected they had contracted Covid-
- Half had caring responsibilities (7 people).

In 2021, 1% of respondents (2 men) had applied for Covid-19 related funding and were awaiting an outcome at the time of this survey (June 2021). This is the same (numbers, % and gender) as the responses in the 2020 survey.

In 2021, 5.2% of respondents were awarded Covid-19 related funding (6 people). All but one had received their funding. This group was gender balanced.

In 2020, 7% of respondents were awarded Covid-19 related funding (10 people). Just over half had received their funding, with the others waiting at the time of this survey (July 2020). This group was roughly gender balanced.









Recovery Funding (New Question for 2021)

23. Have you received any recovery funding to offset Covid-19 disruptions to your research?

140 people answered this question. 1 in 5 received recovery funding.



35.7% of respondents selected 'Not applicable/Did not want to apply for funding' (50 people).



42.9% of respondents selected 'no' (60 people). It is possible this group applied and did not receive funding, or that they were not eligible for funding (the question wording could be revised next year for clarity).

This group was roughly gender balanced (+/-4%).



1 person had applied and was waiting for the outcome.



1 in 5 (20.1%) of respondents were awarded recovery funding (29 people). The group was roughly gender balanced (+/-5%).

Paired Questions – 2020 and 2021 versus a normal year

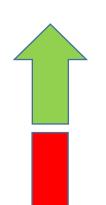
24. On average, how many research articles would you normally submit per year as first or senior author?

25. Thinking about the period beginning with the Covid-19 lockdown, and continuing until May 2021, how many research articles do you think you will submit?

- 141 people answered this question:
 - 13.3% more respondents submitted fewer articles than in a normal year than in 2020.
 - o 5.6% fewer respondents submitted more articles than in a normal year than in 2020.
 - 7% fewer respondents submitted the same number of articles as they would in a normal year.



In 2021, 60.3% of respondents selected the same number of articles this year as in a normal year (85 out of 141). The group was roughly gender balanced (+/-2%).



This was 7% fewer than in 2020 (68% of respondents, 98 out of 143, gender balanced).

In 2021, 6.4% of respondents (9 out of 141) selected a higher number of articles this year than in a normal year. 6 of the 9 were men (caution: small numbers).

This was 5.6% fewer than in 2020 (12% of respondents, 17 out of 143, 59% were women and 41% were men).

In 2021, one third (33.3%) of respondents (47 out of 141) selected a lower number of articles this year than in a normal year. Of those 47:

- The group was roughly gender balanced (+/-3.3%)
- 39 people dropped from 1-4 articles in a normal year to 0. This group was gender balanced.

This was 13.3% more than in 2020 (20% of respondents, 28 out of 143, gender balanced).

- 26. On average, how many grant applications would you normally submit per year as lead or co-Investigator?
- 27. Thinking about the period beginning with the initial Covid-19 lockdown (March 2020), and continuing until May 2021, how many grants did you submit as lead or co-Investigator?

141 people answered this question.

- An equal percentage of people selected the same number of research grants in 2021 as in 2020.
- 7.3% fewer respondents selected a higher number of research grants than in a normal year than in 2020.
- 2.2% fewer respondents selected a lower number of research grants than in a normal year than in 2020.



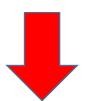
57.4% of respondents selected the same number of grants this year as in a normal year (81 out of 141, gender balanced).

This was the same as in 2020 (57% of respondents selected the same number of grants this year as in a normal year, 81 out of 143, gender balanced \pm -2%).



5.7% of respondents (8 out of 141) selected a higher number of grants this year than in a normal year.

This was 7.3% fewer than in 2020 (13% of respondents (18 out of 143) selected a higher number of grants this year than in a normal year, gender balanced).



29.8% of respondents (42 out of 141) selected a lower number of grants this year than in a normal year, gender balanced).

This was roughly the same, 2.2% fewer, than in 2020 (31% of respondents (44 out of 143) selected a lower number of grants this year than in a normal year, gender balanced +/-2%).