Springboard scheme round 12 timeline

2 March 2026 — **Champions virtual event**

These meetings will provide guidance on the upcoming round and give an opportunity for Champions and research office staff to feedback to the Academy on how the office can best support them in their roles.

2 March 2026 — **Institutions may begin their selection processes**

The scheme documents will be on the website.

March – April 2026 — **Institutional triage conducted at eligible institutions**

Champions and research office staff are encouraged to contact the office to discuss specific eligibility queries of applicants.

24 April 2026 (by 12:00 BST) — **Institutions notify Academy of selected applicants**

In recognition of the number of individuals in need of support at this career stage, the Academy invites each institution to select up to four candidates.

29 April 2026 — **Full application form opens**

Selected candidates are invited via email to submit a full application form to the Academy's Flexi-Grant® portal.

3 June 2026 (by 16:00 BST) — **Deadline for submissions through the application portal**

22 June 2026 — **Office to confirm eligibility of candidates**

July – October 2026 — **Robust assessment of all eligible applications**

November 2026 — **Selection Panel meeting to confirm awards**

February 2027 — **Outcomes are released**

All candidates receive official confirmation and reviewer feedback. All candidates, whether successful or unsuccessful, are invited to join the Academy's mentoring scheme.

Academy staff are on-hand throughout the round to assist with all eligibility and scheme queries. Please contact the team on springboard@acmedsci.ac.uk

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