# CSIRO Kick-Start Program

## Expression of Interest

This form will be used by the CSIRO SME Connect team to assist in locating the most suitable researcher/s within CSIRO to undertake a project for your company. Once a researcher has been identified, you will be put in contact with them and, if applicable, they will develop and cost a proposal for you. They can then prepare a full application form which you will need to sign and attach appropriate documentation to. The SME Connect team aims to review fully completed applications within 5-10 working days.

Please read the ‘CSIRO Kick-Start Program and Eligibility Guidelines’ document before emailing this form to:

Dr Megan Sebben, Kick-Start Program Manager, CSIRO SME Connect, [kickstart@csiro.au](mailto:kickstart@csiro.au)

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| Company Details |
| A1. Name: |
| A2. ACN / ICN:  Is the company Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander-owned? Yes □ No □ Prefer not to disclose □ |
| A3. Year of registration: |
| A4. Business address: |
| A5. Website: |
| A6. Contact person name: |
| Position: |
| Telephone number: |
| Email address: |
| A7. Number of employees: |
| A8. Have you read the [Kick-Start Program Guidelines](https://www.csiro.au/-/media/Do-Business/Files/SME/KS-Program-and-Eligibility-Guidelines.pdf)? Yes □ No □ |
| A9. In order to qualify for the program the company must demonstrate they meet all of the following eligibility criteria  (at time of full application): |
| Have an annual turnover and operating expenditure of less than $10 million in the last complete financial year □  OR  Have been a registered company for less than 3 years □ |
| Be an Australian-based company who are non-tax exempt, and registered for GST □ |
| A10. Have you participated in another CSIRO/SME Connect program (Tick those that apply):  Innovate to Grow □ Innovation Connections □ Gen STEM Links □ ON Program □ used the Collaboration Readiness Tool □ |
| A11. Is your company turnover/operating expenditure: <$1.5M □ $1.5-$5M □ $5M-$10M? □ |
| A12. Provide a brief background of the company |

### Project details

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| B1. Please outline the company’s technology/product/service that you are interested in further researching/developing/testing | |
| B2. Outline of proposed CSIRO-based project activities and deliverables | |
| B3. Do you have a rough budget for these activities? | |
| B4. How did you find out about the CSIRO Kick-Start program? |  |
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