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| **PhD Studentship/Research Grant** **(please delete as appropriate)****Preliminary Application Form 2026**Applications should be emailed to research@macularsociety.org no later than 5pm on **30th May 2025**.This completed form should be formatted in Arial 14 point.Please ensure your Lay Summary is written in plain English, suitable for lay members of our Research Committee and Lay Panel. **ALL APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACKNOWLEDGED** |
| **Title of Project** |  |
| **Name, post, department, institution, address, phone and email**  |
| **Applicant** | **Co-investigator(s)** |
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| **Proposed Budget** |  |
| **Proposed Duration**  |  |
| **Is / has a similar application been submitted elsewhere. If so, with what outcome?** |  |
| **Did you use AI tools (such as ChatGPT or Microsoft Copilot etc.) to help write this application? If so, please specify which tool(s) and how they were used.** |
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| **Short Lay Summary of project (200 words)** |
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| **Detailed description of project, to include:** * **Aims**
* **Background**
* **Methodology (please justify sample size- include power analysis, if relevant)**
* **Outcomes**
* **Potential clinical benefit**
* **Details of training programme for the PhD student – where applicable**

**(1500 words)** |
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