



## MIKE BARNES AWARD FOR INNOVATION 2021



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The Mike Barnes Award for Innovation 2021 is sponsored by Elysium Neurological, in collaboration with the National Institute for Health Research (NIHR) Brain Injury MedTech Co-operative, one of eleven MedTech and In Vitro Diagnostic Co-operatives (MICs) funded by NIHR across the UK. The NIHR Brain Injury MedTech Co-operative works with patients, carers, NHS, charities, academia, inventors, small and medium-sized enterprises and business angels to support the development of new medical devices and healthcare technologies improving the effectiveness and quality of healthcare services.

The Award is open for entries from everyone with an innovative project/concept in the management of Acquired Brain Injury that has originality, viability, feasibility and desirability.

The Award will recognise and celebrate the most credible innovative project/concept and provide the winner with support to take it further. The innovative project/concept in the management of Acquired Brain Injury could, for example, improve an aspect of neurorehabilitation in hospital, and/or in the community, and/or in school, and/or in prison or in connection with sport-related concussion.

The United Kingdom Acquired Brain Injury Forum (UKABIF) is encouraging entries from professionals from all disciplines involved in the management of Acquired Brain Injury, individuals with a brain injury and their families or carers, students, the general public, care providers and voluntary organisations, personal injury lawyers and social care workers. The Award is open to UKABIF members and non-members in the UK.

The deadline for entries is the 30<sup>th</sup> September 2021 – entries made after this date will not be considered. A shortlist of entrants will present their innovative idea on the 5<sup>th</sup> October 2021 (this will be done remotely) to the judging panel. The winner will be announced no later than the 8<sup>th</sup> November 2021.

The winner will have access to NIHR Brain Injury MIC's network, which provides research design, business support, access to a patient advisory group and support with making bids for further funding. You will also be invited to attend UKABIF's conference in 2022 free of charge.





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### INFORMATION FOR ENTRANTS

The Mike Barnes Award for Innovation 2021 will acknowledge, recognise and reward an innovative project or concept that impacts on people with Acquired Brain Injury.

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#### **Innovations**

All innovations which support people with Acquired Brain Injury will be considered. Acquired Brain Injury is defined as: any injury to the brain which has occurred following birth e.g. Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI), such as those caused by trauma from road traffic accidents, falls, and assaults or non-TBI, related to illness or medical conditions such as encephalitis, stroke, brain tumours and hypoxia.

#### **Entry criteria**

- Entries must be project/concept which support people with Acquired Brain Injury
- Entries are welcome from everyone that has an interest, or experience, in Acquired Brain Injury including rehabilitation multidisciplinary teams, doctors in primary and secondary care, case managers, personal injury lawyers, social care workers, voluntary organisations, care providers and individuals with a brain injury, their families or carers, students and the general public
- No more than one entry per person is allowed
- The project/concept must be the entrant's own idea
- Each entry must be accompanied by a completed application form as below
- UKABIF members and non-members in the UK can enter

#### **Entry submission**

- Complete the Mike Barnes Innovation Award form

#### **Judging panel**

The judging panel will include representatives from UKABIF, Elysium Neurological and NIHR Brain Injury MIC. The decision of the panel is final and no correspondence will be entered into. For a list of the judging panel see [www.ukabif.org.uk](http://www.ukabif.org.uk)



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### TERMS AND CONDITIONS

The competition opens 1<sup>st</sup> May 2021 and will close at 23:59 on 30<sup>th</sup> September 2021. All entries must be received prior to this time/date in order to be considered. The winner will be announced no later than 8<sup>th</sup> November 2021.

Entrants must be residents of the UK, the Isle of Man or the Channel Islands.

In order to enter an application an entrant must complete and sign an entry form.

Your submission should not copy existing concepts/projects. The entrant must be the original creator of the project/concept and must have obtained the necessary permissions for the inclusion of copyrighted material. The project/concept must not infringe the rights of privacy and publicity, copyright, trademarks or intellectual property rights of any person or organisation.

If the entrant uses any material or elements in the concept, which are subject to the rights of a third party, the entrant must obtain prior to submission of the entry, the necessary consents from such party to enable UKABIF to use and showcase the concept. Such consent(s) shall be at the expense of the entrant.

This competition is only open to residents of the United Kingdom.

By entering this competition, entrants agree that UKABIF may: (i) showcase their concept on UKABIF's website and any other media in connection with the Competition; (ii) use their names, likenesses, photographs, voices, sounds and/or biographical information and films for advertising, publicity and promotional purposes without additional compensation.

NB There may be aspects of the proposal that for various reasons needs to remain protected. NIHR Brain Injury MIC and UKABIF are alert to this and will enter into an appropriate Non Disclosure Agreement if requested, where the level of detail included in publicity will be agreed.

The entrant agrees that UKABIF shall not be liable for any claims, costs, liabilities, damages, expenses and losses arising out of (i) UKABIF's use of the concept; (ii) the entrant's participation in the competition; (iii) technical failures of any kind including but not limited to problems or delays arising from software or equipment malfunctions or computer viruses; (iv) any events outside UKABIF's reasonable control. Nothing in this clause shall be construed to exclude or limit UKABIF's liability for death or personal injury caused by negligence or any other liability, which by law cannot be excluded or limited.

This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with English law and the Parties submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of England and Wales.

The information provided in the application form will be reproduced on the UKABIF website, News Report and other external media so please ensure you provide accurate information. If you have any queries please contact: [info@ukabif.org.uk](mailto:info@ukabif.org.uk)

GOOD LUCK!

