



# Biotechnology Industry Research Assistance Council

(A Govt. of India Enterprise)

**INVITES PROPOSALS**

**For Supporting Affordable Product Development**  
*(Discovery to pre-Commercialization)*  
*under*

**Promoting Academic Research Conversion to Enterprise (PACE)**  
**Small Business Innovation Research Initiative (SBIRI) and**  
**Biotechnology Industry Partnership Programme (BIPP)**

Promoting Academic Research Conversion to Enterprise (PACE)	Small Business Innovation Research Initiative (SBIRI)	Biotechnology Industry Partnership Programme (BIPP)
<p>Supports academia to develop technologies/ products (up to PoC stage) of national importance and their subsequent validation towards commercialization through:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Academic Innovation Research (AIR)</b> Development of PoC by academia with/without the involvement of industry</li> <li>• <b>Contract Research Scheme (CRS)</b> Aims at validation of prototype/technology by the industrial partner</li> </ul>	<p>Supports industry for development of proof-of-concept and early stage validation of products/ technologies of high societal relevance</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Encourages and strengthen R&amp;D capabilities and capacity of smaller businesses</li> <li>• Funding in the form of Grant-in-aid is provided to start-ups, SMEs and other Biotech companies on cost sharing basis</li> </ul>	<p>Supports industry for high risk, transformational technology/ process development from proof-of-concept to late stage validation leading to product commercialization</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Supports new and futuristic technology development with major social bearing but uncertain market driven demand</li> <li>• Biotech companies receiving financial support are required to contribute at least 50% of the total project cost</li> </ul>

**Who can apply?**

**For PACE**

Academic institute, university, NGO, or research foundation, having proper registration/accreditation from a government body are eligible to apply either alone, or in partnership with academia or industry (while involvement of industry is optional for AIR scheme, it is mandatory to have an industrial partner for CRS).

**For SBIRI and BIPP**

A single or consortia of Indian company(ies) registered under 'The Indian Companies Act 2013' with minimum 51% Indian ownership, and in-house R&D unit, are eligible to apply either alone, or in collaboration with another company/institute/university.

**How to apply?**

Proposals for all the Schemes are required to be submitted **online only**. For scheme details and submission of proposal, please log on to BIRAC website ([www.birac.nic.in](http://www.birac.nic.in)).

Last date for submission of proposals

**31 July 2018**

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