

MND NZ Research Grants 2026

Applications open now | Closing 27 November 2026

Three research grants of up to \$10,000 each are available from Motor Neurone Disease New Zealand (MND NZ) for research to improve evidence-based care, support, and potentially even treatment for people with motor neurone disease (MND). Grants are for MND-specific research projects, and can support postgraduate fees, summer studentships, or co-funding for MND-specific research within a larger programme.

Who can apply

Applications are encouraged from:

- Academics working in MND-related areas
- Allied health professionals who work with people with MND, working in conjunction with an academic
- Those who work in related areas who haven't done MND research before.

MND-related work areas include health sciences (including speech & language, occupational therapy, physiotherapy, nutrition, respiration), neurology, nursing, and palliative care.

Research areas

See the [MND Research Strategy 2025–28](https://mndnz.org.nz/research) at mndnz.org.nz/research for more detail on research goals.

The NZ MND Registry

The NZ MND Registry, funded by MND NZ, is a rich source of information, used to support research including surveys, observational studies, and recruitment for clinical trials. Information is carefully protected and deidentified. Contact the curator, **Dr Margaret Ryan**: mndregistry@otago.ac.nz | 0800 MND REG (0800 663 734).

Find out more and apply: mnd.org.nz/researchgrants | Applications close at 5pm on 27 November 2026.