

Pilot/Small Projects

Abbreviated application process for pilot or small research projects.

Projects requiring only a small number of specimens and/or which would have low impact on the ABCTB holdings may be assessed via an expedited application process.

Application process:

1. Submit EOI request via researcher link on ABCTB website indicating that this is a request for a pilot/small project.
2. ABCTB Executive will review request against ABCTB holdings and assess:
 - a. Scientific merit
 - b. Impact on holdings
 - c. Value of research to the ABCTB
3. Any clarification required will be obtained by direct contact with the applicant(s).
4. If the above are satisfactory then the project may be approved at the Executive level without the requirement to go to external review.
5. Applicant/s do not need to submit a Human Research Ethics Committee Approval to the ABCTB for pilot projects as these projects are covered by ABCTB HREC approval.
6. An abridged MTA for the use of the material will need to be entered into.

Definition of a 'small' project

Proof of principle experiments requiring small numbers of specimens which may lead to a subsequent larger scale project.

Material available

Tissue sections: 1-4 cases, 1-4 sections per case

TMA sections: 1-4 sections from an already constructed pilot array

Digital images: 1-10 of tissue sections & 1-2 TMAs

Blood samples: 1-4 cases, whole blood components only

If the project falls outside the parameters above then a full application will be requested.