

## Public engagement awards: Success rate

Our public engagement awards support scientists to share 3Rs research, advances and impacts with school children, undergraduate students, patients and the wider public. The scheme launched in 2014 with up to £1.5k per award available to scientists who had received NC3Rs research funding or worked on NC3Rs-funded research projects. To mark our 20-year anniversary in 2024 we opened the awards to anyone working to advance the 3Rs, regardless of their role or funder, and increased the funding available to £2k per award.

The numbers of awards made vary year-on-year due to the number and quality of applications. In some years no awards were made due to lack of applications, a consequence of staff resource to promote the scheme and/or restrictions on in-person engagement events due to COVID-19 lockdowns.

Financial year	Applications received	Awards made	Success rate (%)
2024/25 (20-year anniversary awards)	14	8	57
2023/24 (20-year anniversary awards)	6	5	83
2022/23	0	0	-
2021/22	0	0	-
2020/21	3	2	67
2019/20	0	0	-
2018/19	1	1	100
2017/18	1	1	100

2016/17	6	4	67
2015/16	0	0	-
2014/15	9	7	78