Cancer Research UK and the Indian government’s Department of Biotechnology have launched a £10M, 5-year initiative.

The initiative will encourage a bilateral, multidisciplinary research effort to address the key challenges in affordability in cancer.

Our research challenges

- Identify and quantify cancer risk factors to better understand regional variations in incidence, enabling new approaches to cancer prevention
- Devise affordable screening tools to improve early detection of cancer
- Identify affordable approaches to improve early diagnosis of symptomatic cancers
- Develop computational approaches that can reduce the cost of cancer care delivery
- Identify novel, affordable treatment approaches for hard to treat cancers using small molecules
- Improve the affordability of effective cancer treatments
- Develop approaches to improve long-term quality of life in children and young people with cancer
Funding Process

Seed Funding – open call
From 2nd September – 4th November 2019, we will have an open call for joint Indian and UK teams to apply for up to £30,000 (~Rs 26 lakhs) to develop full applications, over 6 months, that tackle one of the seven research challenges.

Programme Funding
In late 2020, successful seed funded teams will be asked to submit their full applications for programme funding. Successful teams will be eligible for funding of up to £1.5 million (~13.1 crores) over 4 years to take on one of our research challenges.

For more information
To find out more about the Affordable Approaches to Cancer initiative:
- Please visit our website www.cancerresearchuk.org/affordable-approaches
- Or contact us at AffordableApproaches@cancer.org.uk

The grants process for this initiative will be managed by our implementation partner, Wellcome Trust/DBT India Alliance, with support from Cancer Research UK and the Department of Biotechnology.