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# BLCS DISTINGUISHED VISITING LECTURER FUND

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## PURPOSE OF THE FUND

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The BLCS Distinguished Visiting Lecturer Fund aims to support the visit to the UK by distinguished researchers in liquid crystal science and related areas.

## ELIGIBILITY

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- 1) Visiting Lecturers must be proposed by a BLCS member employed by a UK-based research institution who will be their principal host in the UK.
- 2) Visiting Lecturers must be distinguished researchers in liquid crystal science or related areas.
- 3) Visiting Lecturers are requested to visit other institutions in the UK to give seminars and engage in scientific interchange.

## FUNDING AVAILABLE

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Any single request may not be for more than £1,000 and only one application is allowed per individual and per host over a period of one calendar year. The BLCS Distinguished Visiting Lecturer Fund is limited to no more than £2,000 in total per year. In exceptional circumstances the individual award can be increased to the BLCS Distinguished Visiting Lecturer fund limit.

## ELIGIBLE COSTS

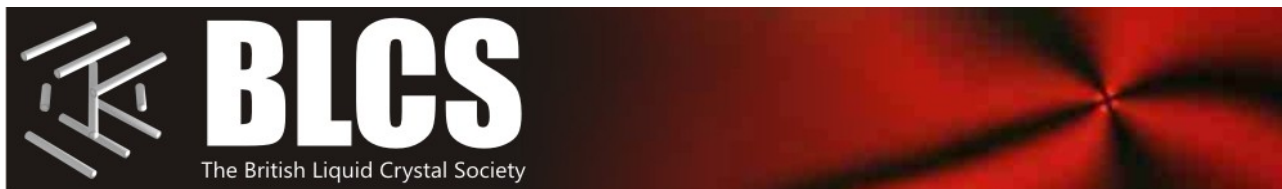
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The fund is to be used to cover the Visiting Lecturer travel and living expenses. The funds requested must be justified in the application procedure.

## APPLICATION, APPROVAL AND PAYMENT PROCEDURE

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- 1) The deadline for applications is the end of October.
- 2) The application must be made by the host of the visiting researcher by email to the Secretary of the Society (Dr Mamatha Nagaraj, [m.nagaraj@leeds.ac.uk](mailto:m.nagaraj@leeds.ac.uk)). The application should contain the following information:
  - a) Host's and visiting researcher contact details.
  - b) Dates and duration of the visit.
  - c) Justification of the funding requested and whether other sources of funding are also being used.
  - d) Visiting Lecturer's Curriculum Vitae.
- 3) Funding will be decided by the BLCS Steering Committee.



- 4) At the end of the award period the Visiting Lecturer will produce a short report of their visit and send it the BLCS secretary for inclusion in the BLCS newsletter.