



## **ANNOUNCEMENT OF SUCCESSFUL APPLICATIONS FOR THE COMPETITIVE SUPPORT FOR UNRATED AND Y-RATED RESEARCHERS' GRANTS FOR 2023**

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The National Research Foundation (NRF) and the Department of Science and Innovation (DSI) are pleased to announce the provisional Competitive Programme for Unrated and Y-Rated Researchers grant awards for the 2023 academic year. The new Competitive Programme for Unrated and Y-rated Researchers awards for applicants, who responded to the 2023 Call for applications, have been made according to the strategic objectives of the Funding Instrument and the available budget. The successful new Competitive Programme for Unrated Researchers applicants and Y-Rated Researchers are listed in Table 1 and Table 2 respectively.

### **PLEASE NOTE:**

- If your name appears in the table that follows, you have been successful in receiving a provisional award for 2023.
- The NRF will forward award letters to successful candidates in January/February 2023.
- The NRF will forward feedback to all unsuccessful applicants by the end of February 2023.
- Once you have received the Conditions of Grant (CoG), please read through the written agreement carefully before accepting the award.
- All signed and completed documentation must be submitted to the Research Office of your institution for uploading on the NRF system. Funds will only be released once the completed documentation has been received by the NRF.
- All awards are made on a provisional basis and are subject to the awardee meeting all the eligibility criteria and conditions for acceptance of the award.
- Please send all enquiries regarding the outcomes to the NRF *via* your Research Office.

**Table 1: Successful applicants for the Competitive Support for Unrated Researchers awards for 2023**

No.	Title	Full Name	Institution
1	Dr	Frederika Elizabeth Faber	Agricultural Research Council (South Africa), Onderstepoort Veterinary Institute
2	Dr	Andiswa Finca	Agricultural Research Council (South Africa), Animal Production Institute
3	Dr	Adriaana Jacobs	Agricultural Research Council (South Africa), Plant Protection Research Institute
4	Dr	Ronel Pienaar	Agricultural Research Council (South Africa), Onderstepoort Veterinary Institute
5	Dr	Mirinda van Kleef	Agricultural Research Council (South Africa), Onderstepoort Veterinary Institute
6	Dr	Sweta Patnaik	Cape Peninsula University of Technology
7	Dr	Ntombizodwa Mathe-Maleboho	Council for Scientific and Industrial Research, South Africa
8	Dr	NALINI Govender	Durban University of Technology
9	Dr	Juliano Domiraci Paccez	International Centre for Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology (ICGEB)
10	Dr	Lara Donaldson	International Centre for Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology (ICGEB)
11	Dr	Hali Healy	North-West University
12	Dr	Nobalanda Mokoena	Onderstepoort Biological Products
13	Dr	Xavier Siwe Noundou	Sefako Makgatho Health Sciences University
14	Dr	Sebenzile Nkosi	South African Medical Research Council (MRC)
15	Dr	Sylvia Riedel-van Heerden	South African Medical Research Council (MRC)
16	Dr	Ethel Phiri	Stellenbosch University
17	Dr	Marisa Kloppe	Stellenbosch University
18	Dr	Elouise Kroon	Stellenbosch University
19	Dr	Willem Gerber	Stellenbosch University
20	Dr	Charissa Naidoo	Stellenbosch University
21	Dr	Desiree Petersen	Stellenbosch University
22	Dr	Hanel Van Gijzen	Stellenbosch University
23	Dr	Caitlin Viljoen	Stellenbosch University
24	Dr	Polo Moji	University of Cape Town
25	Dr	Felix Sizwe Dube	University of Cape Town

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26	Dr	Pauline van der Watt	University of Cape Town
27	Dr	Christian Budde	University of the Free State
28	Dr	Lisa Coetzee	University of the Free State
29	Prof	Bilainu Oboirien	University of Johannesburg
30	Prof	Sarita Ramsaroop	University of Johannesburg
31	Dr	Siyabonga Majola	University of Johannesburg
32	Prof	Oluwafemi Adebo	University of Johannesburg
33	Dr	Farhahna Allie	University of Johannesburg
34	Dr	Banothile Makhubela	University of Johannesburg
35	Dr	Omowunmi Mary Longe	University of Johannesburg
36	Dr	Edgar Dzomba	University of KwaZulu-Natal
37	Dr	Karen Pillay	University of KwaZulu-Natal
38	Dr	Allen Mambanda	University of KwaZulu-Natal
39	Prof	Kwena Modibane	University of Limpopo
40	Dr	Tlou Nelson Selepe	University of Limpopo
41	Prof	Anne (Joji) Mercier (Theron)	University of Pretoria
42	Dr	Joyce Shirinde	University of Pretoria
43	Dr	Mia-Jeanne van Rooy	University of Pretoria
44	Dr	Romina Henriques	University of Pretoria
45	Prof	Johannes Mampane	University of South Africa
46	Dr	Kershnee Sevnarayan	University of South Africa
47	Dr	Xolile Fuku	University of South Africa
48	Prof	Richard Moutloali	University of South Africa
49	Dr	Lindani Ncube	University of South Africa
50	Dr	Sreedevi Vallabhapurapu	University of South Africa
51	Prof	Rajendran Govender	University of the Western Cape
52	Prof	Melanie Luckay	University of the Western Cape
53	Mrs	Erika Kapp	University of the Western Cape
54	Dr	Roshini Pillay	University of the Witwatersrand
55	Dr	Dean Barrett	University of the Witwatersrand

No.	Title	Full Name	Institution
56	Dr	Ann George	University of the Witwatersrand
57	Dr	Sunday Hosu	Walter Sisulu University

**Table 2: Successful applicants for the Developmental Grant for Y-Rated Researchers**

No.	Title	Full Name	Institution
1	Dr	Khanyisile Hadebe	Agricultural Research Council (South Africa), Biotechnology Platform
2	Dr	Velaphi Msomi	Cape Peninsula University of Technology
3	Dr	Wilma ten Ham-Baloyi	Nelson Mandela University
4	Prof	Rencia van der Sluis	North-West University
5	Dr	Shareefa Dalvie	South African Medical Research Council (MRC)
6	Dr	Cindy George	South African Medical Research Council (MRC)
7	Dr	Jillian Hill	South African Medical Research Council (MRC)
8	Dr	Christoff Truter	Stellenbosch University
9	Dr	Margreth Tadie Charikinya	Stellenbosch University
10	Dr	Trienko Grobler	Stellenbosch University
11	Prof	Pieter Swanepoel	Stellenbosch University
12	Dr	Sanjeev Rambharose	Stellenbosch University
13	Dr	Portia Pearl Siyanda Sifolo	Tshwane University of Technology
14	Dr	Krystle Ontong	University of Cape Town
15	Dr	Thandazile Moyo	University of Cape Town
16	Dr	Marietjie Schutte-Smith	University of the Free State
17	Dr	Anand Krishnan	University of the Free State
18	Dr	Bonginkosi Kheswa	University of Johannesburg
19	Prof	Wesley Doorsamy	University of Johannesburg
20	Prof	Elina Hankela	University of Johannesburg
21	Dr	Adrian Nel	University of KwaZulu-Natal
22	Dr	Shubhpriya Gupta	University of KwaZulu-Natal

No.	Title	Full Name	Institution
23	Dr	Thinandavha Caswell Munyai	University of KwaZulu-Natal
24	Prof	Asanda Mditshwa	University of KwaZulu-Natal
25	Prof	Hendrik Brink	University of Pretoria
26	Prof	Martha Magdalena Bradley	University of Pretoria
27	Dr	Celeste Combrinck	University of Pretoria
28	Dr	Janette Bester	University of Pretoria
29	Prof	Werner Cordier	University of Pretoria
30	Dr	Tarryn Lee Botha	University of South Africa
31	Prof	Pontsho Mbule	University of South Africa
32	Dr	Gcina Mamba	University of South Africa

**We congratulate all the 2023 awardees**