

Procedures to request letters of support from GARNet

Letters of support from GARNet will be considered on a case-by-case basis. To be considered for a letter of support from the GARNet committee, a proposed grant must meet the following criteria:

- 1. The grant must provide a widely accessible resource of value to the plant research community.
- 2. The primary beneficiary of the grant should be the plant research community, and its primary goal should be to equip the community with a novel resource.
- 3. Data should be released as rapidly as possible and deposited in the appropriate publically accessible central repositories.
- 4. The grant should be essential for the development and growth of plant science research in the UK.

If you believe your proposal meets the above criteria, please contact Charis Cook (charis@garnetcommunity.org.uk) at least one month in advance of the deadline for grant submission. This timeframe is to allow the GARNet Advisory Committee to make due consideration of your request.

You will need to provide the following information:

- 1. A version of the proposal that allows the Committee to fully understand the project, for example the draft Case for Support. Please note that the Committee reserve the right to request further detail.
- 2. A detailed outline of how and when outputs from the grant will be made available to the community.
- 3. A copy of the data sharing policy.

Please note that there are certain funding opportunities intended to fund community resources. In these cases, we may be asked to support competing proposals. We are very likely to request further information about expected outputs, in particular the timescales and openness of community access, and we will pay particular attention to the data sharing statement.