



NOVONESIS RESEARCH SUPPORT – GUIDANCE FOR INVESTIGATORS

Please read the following information carefully to help you to prepare and submit your request for study product samples, funding, or other research support, for your proposed study.

Novonesis & Research

The Novonesis group, formed of Novozymes and Chr. Hansen, is a global manufacturer of biological solutions, including probiotics, postbiotics, spores, enzymes and nutraceuticals. We are proud to produce a range of ingredients and products (including those distributed via by PrecisionBiotics and MicrobiomeLabs) formulated to support human health.

As a long-term, trusted research partner of many academic and healthcare institutions, we are delighted to support the generation of important information about key aspects of health. Our current research interests focus on the gut microbiome and its relationships with various physiological systems, from digestive health including functional gastrointestinal disorders, the gut-brain axis, stress and sleep, to immune health. In particular, we wish to better understand the effects of our products. If you have a research idea related to these topics, we encourage you to reach out to us.

Frequently Asked Questions

1. What sort of research support is available?

Research support may come in different forms, including provision of product samples, funding, or other resources. You can specify what type of research support you need in your application.

2. Am I eligible to apply for research support?

You are eligible to apply for research support if you are a researcher at an academic or healthcare institution.

3. What sort of research will be considered for research support?

Novonesis will consider a variety of research projects, such as clinical trials, real world studies, service evaluations, surveys or audits.

We welcome any research proposals which seek to better understand the activity of our biological solutions. All proposals will be reviewed with interest. Of particular interest would be studies investigating:

- The use of *Bifidobacterium longum* 35624™ and *Bifidobacterium longum* 1714™ (available in **Alflorex**™ Dual Action) on gastrointestinal discomfort and psychosocial outcomes such as sleep, tiredness and feelings of stress, in adults or children
- The effects of *Bifidobacterium longum* 1714™ (available in **Zenflore**™ and **Daily Calm** products) on sleep, tiredness and aspects of wellbeing, in children and adolescents

The above probiotic strains are food ingredients intended to be used for food supplements. They are not intended for use to diagnose, treat, cure or prevent any disease.

4. When can I apply for research support?

We welcome requests for research support at any time.

5. How do I apply for research support?

To apply, download and complete the Research Support Request Form, available at precisionbiotics.science/research-opportunities.

Complete the Research Support Request Form in full, providing as much information as possible about your research proposal. Submit this via email to tka@novonesis.com along with a copy of your study protocol, research CV and current GCP certificate, as applicable. Your application will be assigned to, and processed by, a dedicated Novonesis Study Liaison.

If you are unable to access or complete the research support request form, or would like to make a general enquiry first, please contact us via tka@novonesis.com.

6. How soon can I expect a response from Novonesis following my application?

You will receive an email acknowledging receipt of your application by your assigned Novonesis Study Liaison within 5 working days, and we will aim to notify you of the outcome of your application within 30 working days of receipt, although this is subject to change.

7. If my application for research support was successful, what would be expected of me?

Recipients of Novonesis research support would be expected to ensure all necessary ethical, compliance and governance approvals are in place prior to the commencement of the research

project, and to undertake the project according to good clinical practice and all relevant professional codes of conduct. Recipients without prior research experience would be required to have support from their institution's Research and Development department to undertake the research.

Whilst Novonesis may provide funding and/or product samples for the proposed research, Novonesis would not be acting as the study sponsor, therefore the responsibility to ensure proper legal, scientific and ethical conduct of the research study lies with you, the Principle Investigator, and the Institution.

8. My application was successful. What are the next steps?

Congratulations! First, your dedicated Novonesis Study Liaison would set up a 'kick off' meeting with you to finalise details, discuss our internal processes, such as how we assign funding or study product and contract terms. The contract would be signed by authorized representatives from Novonesis and your institution, and documentation of ethical approval of the study (where applicable) would be provided by you, prior to the provision of research support and the start of the study.

9. I need more information, who can I contact?

If you have any questions about the Novonesis research support process, please email tka@novonesis.com.

Thank you. We look forward to receiving your research support application soon!