



# UNIVERSITY OF DAR ES SALAAM

## Office of the Deputy Vice Chancellor - Research Directorate of Research and Publication

### Research Funding Opportunities with Deadlines in the First Quarter of 2026

#### Group 21

7<sup>th</sup> March 2026

#### 1. Ovarian Cancer Research Alliance - Collaborative Research Development Grant 2027

**Deadline:** 25 March 2026 (LOI)

**Focus:** Interdisciplinary team-based ovarian cancer research;

**Indicative Grant Size:** Up to USD 300k annually; \$900k over three years

**Eligibility:** Accredited academic institutions and not-for-profit organizations

**Prep:** Submit Letter of Intent via OCRA grants portal; invited full proposal required thereafter;

**URL:** [Apply for Cancer Research Grants | OCRA](#)

#### 2. OCRA - Early Career Investigator Grant 2027

**Deadline:** 25 March 2026 (LOI)

**Focus:** Early-career investigator-led ovarian cancer research;

**Indicative Grant Size:** Up to \$150 annually; \$450k over three years

**Eligibility:** Early-career researchers affiliated with accredited academic institutions worldwide

**Prep:** Online LOI submission through OCRA grants system; full proposal invited upon selection

**URL:** [Apply for Cancer Research Grants | OCRA](#)

#### 3. OCRA - Mentored Investigator Grant 2027

**Deadline:** 25 March 2026 (LOI)

**Focus:** Mentored research projects in ovarian cancer;

**Indicative Grant Size:** Up to \$100k over one to three years

**Eligibility:** Accredited academic institutions and not-for-profit organizations

**Prep:** LOI submission through OCRA portal; full proposal required if shortlisted;

**URL:** [Apply for Cancer Research Grants | OCRA](#)

#### 4. OCRA - Health Equity Research Grant to Advance Ovarian Cancer Equity

**Deadline:** 25 March 2026 (LOI)

**Focus:** Research addressing disparities and equity in ovarian cancer outcomes;

**Indicative Grant Size:** Up to \$100k annually for two years

**Eligibility:** Accredited academic institutions and not-for-profit organizations

**Prep:** Letter of Intent submission via OCRA online grants system; invitation-based full proposal

**URL:** [Apply for Cancer Research Grants | OCRA](#)

#### 5. OCRA - Rivkin Pilot Grant Supporting Innovative Ovarian Cancer Research

**Deadline:** 25 March 2026 (Letter of Intent)

**Focus:** Pilot projects exploring innovative ovarian cancer research concepts;

**Indicative Grant Size:** Up to \$50k annually for two years

**Eligibility:** Investigators affiliated with accredited academic institutions worldwide

**Prep:** Submit LOI through OCRA grant management platform; invited applicants submit full proposal

**URL:** [Apply for Cancer Research Grants | OCRA](#)

#### 6. Rufford Foundation - Small Grants for Nature Conservation

**Deadline:** Applications accepted year-round

**Focus:** Support for nature conservation projects in eligible countries

**Indicative Grant Size:** £7k-£18k

**Eligibility:** Current MSc or PhD students or recent graduates, others can apply if they fit additional criteria

**Prep:** Create account on Rufford application portal; submit detailed project proposal, methodology, conservation impact statement, timeline, and budget

**URL:** [Rufford Small Grants for Nature Conservation](#)

*UDSM researchers are highly encouraged to apply*