

The amount of funding granted in each open call is as follows:

	1st open call*	2nd open call	3rd open call	4th open call	Total
Number of full grant projects funded	15	11	11	18	55
Total approved amount for full grant projects (HK dollars)	7,746,066	4,760,577	5,808,893	7,565,177	25,880,713
Number of mini-grant projects funded	3	1	1	3	8
Total approved amount for mini-grant projects (HK dollars)	265,898	69,000	79,380	175,737	590,015

* Three projects amounting to \$0.46 million were supported by the unused fund balance of the Health Services Research Fund

On average, \$470,558 was granted for each full grant project whereas \$73,752 was granted for each mini-grant project.

Applications that were worthy of support but could not be supported due to lack of funds

To date, all projects that were considered worthy of support by the Research Council were funded. No worthy project has been denied support due to a lack of funds, although the funding for three applications submitted in 2006 were only confirmed in 2007 due to there being insufficient funding in the interim period.

Thank you.

Yours sincerely,

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