



TEMPLETON WORLD

CHARITY FOUNDATION

Genetics

Funding Category Guidelines

The Foundation can support research and publications in genetics, including education through research and dissemination of results. Genetics projects with the following characteristics are encouraged: (1) those that do not currently receive sufficient mainstream support and recognition; (2) innovative projects, particularly those that are based on novel hypotheses or methods; (3) projects that can lead to the flourishing of ‘individuals, families, societies’ spiritually, morally, and physically (e.g. by individual virtues, freedom, and intellect); and (4) projects to advance the role of humanity in a creative universe.

Some relevant examples include:

1. Novel methods to improve agricultural production.
2. Novel methods to improve energy production.
3. Genetics and behavior.
4. The genetics of cognitive abilities.
5. Dissemination projects on genetics.

Genetics projects which address philosophical or theological issues can be considered under our Big Questions category.