



**HORTICULTURAL QUALITY  
AND FOOD LOSS NETWORK**

# Funding Call 2022

*Are you a researcher or working within  
the UK Horticulture industry?*

*Are you an Early Career Researcher?*

*Are you interested in UK Horticultural  
Crop Quality and Food Loss?*

*Do you have interest and innovative  
ideas or solutions for improving food  
quality and reducing food loss for  
Vegetable, Fruit and Potato crops?*



The Network, funded by UKRI's BBSRC, aims to 'Act as the leading collective voice for the UK Horticultural and Postharvest Community' by providing funding opportunities to bring together academics and industrialists to develop scientific and technological solutions to tackle food waste and to improve quality in horticultural and potato crops.

This work will help to address the [BBSRC Strategic Priorities for Agriculture and Food Security](#) and the [UN's Sustainable Development Goal 12.3](#) to reduce food waste and losses by 50% by 2030. The Network is led jointly by the University of Reading and Cranfield University.

The 2022 Call for applications for  
Pump Priming Research Funding, Networking Visit Funding (NVF)  
& Business Interaction Vouchers (BIV)

**is now open**

A total of £90K is available to support pump-priming research in this call.  
50% is ringfenced for Early Career Researchers.  
NVF and BIV awards of £5K (total) are also available.  
Funding will be awarded to successful applicants following a selection process  
by the Network's Management Board and ratification by BBSRC.



## How to Apply

Application forms and call guidance documents are available on the Network website: <https://foodlossnetwork.com/>

Application forms should be returned to the Network by email to [info@foodlossnetwork.com](mailto:info@foodlossnetwork.com) by 17:00 GMT on 28 February 2022

Eligibility: Open to all UK based researchers at [UKRI](#) eligible institutions