Hi Jacqueline,

I hope you are well. Thank you for providing feedback from the assessors on my application for additional funding. I appreciate the opportunity to respond and provide clarification.

The application was for retrospective funding request to cover equipment and reagents that were essential for setting up the Tissue Culture Lab and brain-barrier disruption experiments, which has been critical for my project. The equipment in question, along with the consumables, was necessary to facilitate experiments that are central to my PhD research. I received approval for this application approach from the programme director, following a change in funding rules, to ensure the research could proceed without delay.

Initially, the plan was to conduct these experiments in the CL3 facility. However, due to constraints in that environment (as highlighted in the application), the decision was made to set up the Tissue Culture Lab to accommodate this work effectively. This setup was essential for conducting my experiments, as the project’s focus heavily relies on the use of these resources.

Please let me know if further details or supporting documentation are needed.

Thank you again for your support. I look forward to hearing from you.

Best regards,

William Muasya