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Cardiac, Thoracic & Vascular Surgery							
1	Wound Care Innovation for the Tropics Establishment of A Wound Registry in Singapore	PI – Zee Upton Co-Is – Jackie Ho Pei, Jospeh Low, David Carmody Collaborators – Rajesh Babu Dharmaraj, Khoo See Meng, Diane Eng, Chong Tze Tec, Tracy Carol Ayre, Ang Shih Yuh, Fazila Binte Abu Bakar Aloweni, Maureen Fallon	\$ 120,676	A*STAR Industry Alignment Fund (Pre-Positioning) (\$ 792,216)			
2	Prediction and Evaluation of Foot Ulcer Through Non-invasive Quantitative Tissue Perfusion Assessment in Diabetic Patients	PI – Malini Olivo Co-Is – Jackie Ho Pei, Renzhe Bi, Yao Du	\$ 75,000	A*STAR Industry Alignment Fund (Pre-Positioning) (\$ 271,200)			
3	Development of a Novel Wound Debridement Device	PI – Wang Linfa Co-Is – Unnikrishnan Unniyampurath, Rajesh Babu Dharmaraj, Ajay Purushothaman Nambiar Collaborators – Manoj Krishnan, Pradeep Paul		SMART Innovation Centre Innovation Grant (\$ 244,240)			
Colorectal Surgery							
1	Identification and Characterization of Dedifferentiating Colorectal Cancer Transcriptomic Targets Using Single Cell RNAseq	PI – Dedrick Chan	\$ 606,234	NMRC Research Training Fellowship			
2	COLOR III: A Multicentre Randomised Clinical Trial Comparing Transanal Total Mesorectal Excision (TME) Versus Laparoscopic TME for Mid and Low Rectal Cancer	PI – Chong Choon Seng	\$ 93,800	NUHS Seed Fund Grant			
3	Clinician Scientist / Clinician Investigator Salary Support Programme	PI – Dedrick Chan	\$ 28,333	NMRC			
General Surgery							
1	Noninvasive metabolic activation of muscle & fat for treatment of obesity & T2DM	PI – Alfredo Franco-Obregón	\$ 974,891	MOE Academic Research Fund Tier 2			
2	Speech to Semantic Transcription for Healthcare Applications	PI – Ngiam Kee Yuan Collaborators – Li Haizhou	\$ 750,000	NUS & NUHS Health Innovation Programme -HIP Grant			
3	NUS Startup Grant	PI – Gerrit Storm	\$ 316,800	NUS ODPRT & NUS Med Start Up Grant			
4	Novel Drug Formulations Targeting the Ceramide Pathway in Atherosclerosis: a feasibility study	PI – Wang Jiong-Wei Co-Is – Veronique Angeli, Giorgia Pastorin, Mark Chan, Vitaly Sorokin	\$ 94,000	NUHS Seed Fund			
5	Novel Effective Breast Cancer Therapeutics Utilising Non-Invasive Pulsed Electromagnetic Field	PI – Karen Chan Ka Wing	\$ 50,000	MOH Clinician Scientist Residency Seed Funding			
6	Using A Robotic Endoscope to Perform Appendicectomy	PI – Kaan Hung Leng	\$ 50,000	MOH Clinician Scientist Residency Seed Funding			
7	Human Umbilical Cord-Lining Derived Induced Pluripotent Stem Cells (CLiPS) as a Universal Source of Cells for Regenerative Therapy for Neurosensory Disorders	PI – Lim Kah Leong Co-PI – Phan Toan Thang	-	National Research Foundation Competitive Research Programme 21 (\$ 9.3 mil)			
8	Rejuvenating LYVE-1 Expressing Macrophage for Ageing-Related Arterial Stiffness	PI – Veronique Angeli Collaborators – Wang Jiong-Wei, Florent Ginhoux, Thiruma Valavan Arumugam	-	MOE Academic Research Fund Tier 2 (\$ 942,800)			

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	Hepatobiliary & Pancreatic Surgery							
1	Response in Emergency Safety and Civil strUcture Evaluation (RESCUE)	PI – Alfred Kow Co-Is – Yeoh Ker-Wei, Goh Yang Miang	\$ 312,000	NUS Learning Innovation Fund (Technology) LIFT				
2	Peptido-proteomic Based Platforms for Real-time Biomarker Discovery	PI – Glenn Bonney	\$ 195,000	NUHS Clinician Scientist Program				
3	Transcriptomic, Phenotypic and Functional Characterization of Human Pancreatic and Gastric Tumours	Pls – Glenn Bonney, Raghav Sundar	\$ 185,620	Merck Sharp & Dohme Corp. Industry Collaboration Grant (\$ 1,627,370)				
4	PAtient Safety aS Inter-Professional Training (PASS-IT)	PI – Alfred Kow	\$ 106,000	NUS Learning Innovation Fund (Technology) LIFT				
5	Personalizing Therapy in Pancreatic Cancer - Biomarkers of Disease Biology and Chemotherapeutic Sensitivity	PI – Glenn Bonney Co-Is – Lawrence Ho Khek Yu, Chee Cheng Ean, Gwyneth Soon, Claire Chew Collaborators – Edward Chow, Chan Shing Leng	\$ 100,000	NUS BIGHEART Precision Medicine & Personalised Therapetics Seed Grant				
6	Healthcare Economics Awareness LearnING (HEALING)	PI – Alfred Kow Co-Is – Gao Yujia, Tan Ze Ying	\$ 70,000	NUS Learning Innovation Fund (Technology) LIFT				
7	iHealthtech Startup Grant	PI – Glenn Bonney	\$ 60,000	NUS iHealthtech Institute Core Fund				
8	Prodrug Converting Matrix Implant for The Treatment of Resected Tumor Margin	PI – Chester Drum Collaborators – Nic Lindley, Glenn Bonney	-	National Health Innovation Centre (NHIC) Innovation to Develop (I2D) Grant (\$ 250,000)				
	Neurosurgery							
1.	Triple therapy prevention of Recurrent Intracerebral Disease EveNts Trial (TRIDENT)	Site PI – Vincent Nga	\$ 148,409	National Health and Medical Research Council (NHMRC) of Australia (through The George Institute for Global Health)				
2.	Development of the Singapore Linguistic Intraoperative Protocol (SLIP): Improving Bilingual Language Outcomes in Awake Brain Surgery and Validation of Subcortical Language Networks in Bilingual Individuals	PI – Teo Kejia Co-Is – Chan Hui Minn, Will Loh, Colin Teo, Emily Guo, Calvin Lam, Yeo Tseng Tsai, Johnson Fam	\$ 50,000	NUHS Centre Grant Seed Funding				
	Plastic, Reconstructive & Aesthetic Surgery							
1	Preclinical Evaluation of Surgical Therapy for Mandible Defects in Pigs	PI – Lim Thiam Chye Co-Pls – Elijah Cai, Chance Goh Collaborator – Lim Jing	\$180,000	NTUitive NAMIC@NUS Programme - National Additive Manufacturing Innovation Cluster @ NUS				

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	Upper Gastrointestinal Surgery							
1	Singapore Gastric Cancer Consortium – Bringing Discoveries to Patients Theme 3: Peritoneal Carcinomatosis	PI – Yeoh Khay Guan Co-PIs – Jimmy So, Melissa Teo Co-Is – Yong Wei Peng, Patrick Tan, Asim Shabbir, Bettina Lieske, Tan Hon Lyn, Kim Guowei, Chee Cheng Ean, Ong Hock Soo, Jaideepraj Rao, Aung Myint Oo, Andrew Wong, Soon Yuen, Shao Huilin, Johnny Ong, Raghav Sunder, Iain Tan Collaborator – Marc Reymond	\$5,030,000	NMRC Open Fund-Large Collaboration Grant May 2018 Grant Call (\$ 25,000,000)				
2	Phase 1 study of Pressurized IntraPeritoneal Aerosol Chemotherapy (PIPAC) with Paclitaxel in Peritoneal Carcinomatosis for Gastric Cancer	PI – Kim Guo Wei	\$ 200,000	NMRC Clinician-Scientist Individual Research Grant New Investigator Grant				
	Urology							
1	 Urology Cancer Research: Data Management & Analytics Preclinical Evaluation to Phase 1 Trial to Improve the Response of Bladder Cancer Patients A Phase 1 Trial to Evaluate Optimal Abiraterone Dosage for Patients A Phase I/II Clinical Trial to Evaluate the Impact of Vitamin D and DNA Methylation on Response to BCG Therapy 	PI – Edmund Chiong Co-Is – Kesavan Esuvaranathan, Ratha Mahendran	\$1.918,419	Gift from the Estate of the late Dr Joseph Lim Boon Tiong				