

QBIC PITCH BLITZ

Beyond silos. Across disciplines. Towards impact.

Got a game-changing idea that could revolutionise brain injury care?

QBIC's Ecosystem Pitch Blitz competition is your chance to bring your vision to life.

Build your multidisciplinary team and propose a **six-month project** that connects expertise, breaks down silos and creates a pathway to real-world impact.

Six finalists will pitch live at the 2026 QBIC Symposium for the chance to **win \$5,000 in seed funding**, awarded by audience vote.

THE 2026 CHALLENGE

What could your team unlock by working beyond silos?

We are looking for projects that:

- Address a **real translational gap** in traumatic brain injury research, care or support
- Bring together **different disciplines**, expertise and/or lived experience representatives
- Deliver a focused **six-month project (Nov 2026 – April 2027)**
- Create a clear pathway to **meaningful, real-world impact**

*Show us not only what needs to change —
but why your multidisciplinary team is the right one to make it happen.*

HOW IT WORKS

01 — BUILD YOUR TEAM

Bring together the expertise and perspectives needed to tackle the gap.

02 — SUBMIT YOUR EOI

Submit a half-page project synopsis describing your proposed six-month project.

03 — PITCH LIVE

Six finalist teams pitch live at the QBIC Annual Symposium.

04 — WIN \$5,000

Audience vote determines which project receives seed funding.

READY TO PITCH?

SUBMIT YOUR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

Send your 1/2 page synopsis outlining:

- The translational gap your project will address
- Your proposed six-month project timeline, deliverables and intended impact
- Your cross-disciplinary team and the expertise each member brings

EOIs CLOSE

Friday 9 October 2026 @ 5pm AEST

Submit your EOI to: qbic@uq.edu.au

SELECTED AS A FINALIST?

Join us live at the [2026 QBIC Annual Symposium](#)

Selected finalists are required to attend the QBIC Symposium in person and present at the live Pitch Blitz.

Thursday 15 October 2026

@ Translational Research Institute

Live Competition: **3:15-4:30pm AEST**

**virtual pitches only available for candidates located outside of South East Qld*

\$5,000 Seed Funding

The winning team, selected by live audience vote, will receive \$5,000 to support delivery of their **six-month project from Nov 2026 - April 2027.**

**No project extensions can be offered.*

Questions?

Contact the Queensland Brain Injury Collaborative (QBIC): qbic@uq.edu.au