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Dear President, dear Vice President,

As you are aware, the Wolfson Family Charitable Trust and the Wolfson Foundation annually support the acquisition of significant scientific equipment at selected academic research institutions.

Following consultation with the Wolfson Advisory Committee-Israel, it has been decided that this year's philanthropic focus for both the Wolfson Family Charitable Trust and the Wolfson Foundation will be in the field of "**Innovating the Future of Functional Materials via Nanoscopic Characterization.**" For further details, please refer to the accompanying document.

For the Committee to make the right funding decision, we would like to receive a proposal from your institution for purchasing equipment in this field. The Wolfson contribution should **always be matched to at least 50% of the equipment cost, excluding VAT.** The expected contribution is of the order of **0.4 million £**, depending on the research proposals' overall cost and quality. The Wolfson Foundation will not accept submissions where the overall equipment cost is so significant that its contribution is negligible. However, it is possible to suggest a large and costly piece of equipment made of several parts and identify the proposed piece(s) (and its/their cost) for which the Wolfson contribution is requested.

For the Committee to be able to make its decision, we would like to receive from you the following information:

1. A description of the suggested equipment, and if made of several pieces, the exact part(s) suggested for the support by Wolfson

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2. A (maximum three pages) description of the research program related to the suggested equipment, including the names and CVs of the researchers who will be involved in the program
3. The quotation from the equipment supplier, with the final cost (if possible, in British Pounds), **excluding VAT**.

To streamline the process, if you have any questions about the validity of a specific type of equipment (before writing the full proposal), please write to Prof. Uri Banin (Uri.Banin@mail.huji.ac.il) or Prof. Ishi Talmon (ishi@technion.ac.il).

The deadline for receiving these documents is April 1st, 2025. They should be sent to the following email address: wfct@weizmann.ac.il

The final decision by the Wolfson Family Charitable Trust and the Wolfson Foundation in London is expected around **October 2025**.

Best regards,



On behalf of the Wolfson Advisory Committee-Israel,
Prof. Daniel Zajfman
Chair of the Wolfson Advisory Committee

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