**NRPDTP Research Statement Proforma**

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| Applicant Name |  |

**Please answer all the following questions.**   
The maximum word length gives an indication of the length of answer expected.

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| **1.** **Outline your reasons for applying to this project. (maximum 250 words)**  *Hint: You should tell us about your interest in the research topic and what attracted you to the project and/or supervisor.* |

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| **2. What skills, knowledge, and/or experience do you have that make you a suitable candidate for a PhD, and how will you apply these skills/experiences to the project? (maximum 250 words)** *Hint: This could include academic skills, laboratory techniques and other experiences which you’ve learnt as part of your undergraduate or Master’s degree and/or transferrable skills and experience from a non-academic life that you feel have prepared you well for a PhD.* |

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| **3. Based on the project advert, summarise how the work of a different research group complements the science in this PhD project based on an article they have published. (maximum 400 words)** *Hint: You can use scientific databases to find related recent publications. Please cite one reference from the principal investigator you suggest. You should try to write this in accessible language that any audience would understand.* |