

New SBRI competition

Launched by the MoD Centre of Defence Enterprise the competition in the area of '**Battlefield Medical Technology**' is looking to fund a number of Proof of Principle research proposals relating to new healthcare technologies that will help in the battlefield.

They are looking for ideas and new technologies that can help in the following areas:

1. Improving the quality of life of soldiers who have survived injury
2. The delivery of pain relieving drugs in the battlefield
3. The general health of soldiers in the field for instance in the face of infection, disease, heat related illnesses, hydration in the field, medical supply chain and medical training.

Details of the actual problems areas and desired outcomes will be presented at a seminar at Harwell, Oxfordshire on 22nd October 2009. The call for new ideas and technologies will open on this date and applications are made through the CDE portal up until the 3rd December. A competition brief will be produced for the seminar on 22nd October and will be available on the website. Companies are strongly advised to attend the seminar to hear firsthand the military challenges.

The competition is listed on the Technology Strategy Board website

<http://www.innovateuk.org/content/sbri-competition/battlefield-medical-technology.ashx>