# **R&D TAX RELIEF:** TOO GOOD TO BE TRUE?

R&D tax relief was introduced by the government to incentivise innovation amongst SME UK businesses. This means UK companies, can claim back up to £33 for every £100 spent on Research and Development. We know what you're thinking: "really?", or, "got to be a catch" or, " sounds to good to be true", or "my business won't fit the criteria".

If you've got your doubts, here's the facts you need to know:

**SMEs** 

Under

T/O €100m

B/S under €86m

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#### THE GOVERNMENT KEEP INVESTING MORE FUNDS.....



introduced

at 150%













RDEC Scheme SME rate introduced to 225% to 230%

RDEC rate ncreased to 11%

increased increased to 12% to 13%

Since R&D tax relief's introduction in 2000, HMRC's brief has been to encourage businesses to claim.

#### ANY INDUSTRY CAN CLAIM

Arts **Entertainment** Recreation Health Social Work Education **Public Admin** Defence **Social Services Admin Services** Support Services Professional Scientific Technical Real Estate

**Financial** Insurance Info & Comms Accommodation Software Marketing Food Transport Storage Wholesale **Retail Trade** Repairs Construction Water Sewerage

Waste Electricity Gas Steam **Air Conditioning** Manufacturing Mining Quarrying Agriculture Forestry Fishing **Environmental** Construction Manufacturing Engineering

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AND SO MANY MORE ....

## Government has issued lots of easy to use guidance

### WHAT PROIECTS OUALIFY?

# WHAT COSTS CAN YOU CLAIM?

You need to explain how a project:

- · looked for an advance in science and tech
- · had to overcome uncertainty
- tried to overcome this uncertainty
- could not be easily worked out by a professional in the field
- Even projects that fail!!!

You can claim for the following costs:

- Employee costs
- Subcontractor costs
- Software costs
- · Materials & utilities

DOWNLOAD: The Simple Guide to R&D hmrc.gov.uk/gds/cird/attachments/rdsimpleguide.pdf

# LATEST HMRC STATS..

300,000 claims since 2000

42,075 SME claims in 2017-18

£4.3bn claimed in 2017-18

It's simple. Don't miss out because it sounds too good to be true. The Government WANT you to do this.