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The ImPACT action group has expanded to include 25 active members from 14 nations. 4th quarter (2018) and 2nd quarter (2019) meetings have been held.

Two ‘living’ databases have been generated detailing the current projects and activities of group members, as well as member sample archives, to facilitate cross group collaboration and streamlining of methods. As a group, ImPACT has endorsed research applications of its members to the Italian Antarctic Research Programme for activities aligning with the objectives of ImPACT. Further, ImPACT members have partnered on two major research applications to the Australian Antarctic Science scheme and the Australian Research Council respectively, for activities directly in line with the objectives of ImPACT.

It is requested that AG funding be used to cover i) A scientific visit for HDR student to another ImPACT member institute, or ii) to cover non-Antarctic travel costs of HDR students or members undertaking Antarctic sampling towards the objectives of ImPACT in the 2019/2020 Antarctic season.