Funding Opportunities & Announcements

ALERTS

NIH Standard Due Dates

Cycle II begins on May 25, 2015 and standard due dates for common mechanisms are as follows:

- R18, U18 & R25 (all) - May 25
- R01 (new) - June 5
- K Series, R03, R21, R33, R34, R36 (new) - June 12
- R15 (all) - June 25
- R01 (renewals, resubmissions, revisions) - July 5
- K Series (renewals, resubmissions, revisions) - July 13
- R03, R21, R33, R34, R36 (renewals, resubmissions, revisions) - July 16

Help us help you! The sooner you let us know of your intent to submit a proposal for extramural funding (30 days is recommended), the sooner we can help you navigate the paths to a successful submission. All proposal elements are due to our office ten (10) business days in advance so we can secure all COM approvals and help you assemble the complete proposal by the University’s three (3) business days deadline for institutional approval. More Information.

NIH Reminder – Non-compliant Applications can be Rejected

Recently the NIH published NOT-OD-15-095 to remind applicants that fairness dictates consistency when checking applications for completeness (i.e. errors and warnings). NIH may withdraw any application identified during the receipt, referral and review process that is not compliant with the instructions in the SR424 Application Guide, the Funding Opportunity Announcement, or relevant NIH Guide Notices. Among other examples, they emphasized:

- Biosketch formatting
- New applications containing elements of a resubmission or renewal
- Page limits

Reminder: New NIH Biosketch Requirements On or After May 25, 2015

The modified biosketch format is required for applications submitted to NIH for due dates on or after May 25, 2015. Biosketch format pages, instructions, samples and FAQs are available at NOT-OD-15-085. Applicants are encouraged to use the Science Experts Network Curriculum Vitae (SciENcv) system to generate their biosketches in the new format. An information sheet with handouts is available at the Med-RA website. More information.

CoM Human Subjects Research Reminder

As a reminder, the College of Medicine Research Advisory Committee (RAC) review for all research involving human subjects is required for all proposals including CoM affiliated personnel before submission to the FSU IRB. There are multiple tools available for investigators on how to navigate this process including a newly developed online video tutorial. This tutorial and other useful resources are available at the CoM website as well as at the RAC SharePoint Intranet homepage. More Information.
ALERTS (Cont.)

Potential Delays to NIH Awards in May/June
The NIH’s ability to issue competing and non-competing awards may be delayed for two weeks from May 19, 2015 until June 3, 2015 due to software upgrades to NIH accounting and business systems. Examples of activities that may be impacted include: issuance of awards; establishment or changes to Employer Identification Numbers; processing of No Cost Extensions; and processing of Fellowship activations. More Information.

FSU Office of Research Wants to Promote Your Research!
The FSU Office of Research has multiple venues intended to showcase our exceptional research such as the FSU Research website, the FSU Research Blog and the FSU News website. If you would like your research efforts and accomplishments showcased within the University or publicly, you are encouraged to contact Tom Butler (tbutler@fsu.edu) and Kathleen Haughney (khaughney@fsu.edu) with any photos, videos or new opportunities.

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Federal Research Dollars for Alzheimer’s Research on the Increase
NIH spending on Alzheimer’s disease research increased 25 percent from FY 2011 to FY 2014. This trend will continue as the NIH is preparing a budget, that for the first time, will estimate for Congress the costs of reaching the research goals of the National Plan to Address Alzheimer’s Disease. The NIA, which is leading the effort to develop the budget, expects the document to address funding beginning in fiscal year (FY) 2017.

NIH Releases Revised NIH Grants Policy Statement
This revision dated 3/31/2015 is applicable to all NIH grants and cooperative agreements with budget periods beginning on or after December 26, 2014 and awards that received supplemental funding on or after December 26, 2014. This revision supersedes, in its entirety, the NIH Grants Policy Statement (10/2013) as a standard term and condition of award. It also supersedes the NIH Interim Grant General Conditions (published 2/5/2015). More Information.

FEATURED FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

DOH Intent to Issue a Funding Opportunity Announcement for King and Bankhead-Coley Programs
On or around May 1, the Florida Department of Health intends to release a call for applications. Letters of intent will be due on June 1 and full applications on July 1. While the prevention and treatment of certain cancers is emphasized, other priorities include health disparities, obesity, and tobacco cessation. More Information.

Children’s Heart Foundation, Research in Congenital Heart Disease
The Children’s Heart Foundation has issued a funding opportunity announcement for proposals that support research toward discovering the cause and improve the methods for diagnosing, treating and preventing congenital heart defects and disease. The proposal deadline is June 5, 2015. More Information.

NIH, Phenotypic and Functional Studies on FOXO3 Human Longevity Variants to Inform Potential Therapeutic Target Identification Research (R01)
The focus of this Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) is on in vivo human studies, and in vitro studies on human cells or tissues, aimed at potential identification of therapeutic targets or and/or testing of interventions for healthy aging. Potential therapeutic targets include FOXO3 itself and upstream and downstream regulators in pathways mediated by FOXO3. The range of research areas of interest in this FOA includes studies that: 1) examine in vivo phenotypic effects of human FOXO3 variants, and/or 2) elucidate effects of these variants on cellular functions and the pathways that mediate them, and/or 3) identify and evaluate candidate therapeutic targets (e.g., target validation studies, testing of candidate compounds) for potential interventions based on FOXO3 functional pathways. Projects involving whole genome sequencing of new or existing cohorts are outside the scope of this FOA. The proposal deadline is June 5, 2015. More Information.
.Featured Funding Opportunities (Cont.)

Research Education Programs for Residents and Clinical Fellows (R25)
The overarching goal of this R25 program is to support research experiences for residents and/or clinical fellows in Radiology or other NIBIB-relevant clinical programs to support their career development and to foster their career as clinician-scientists. Program participants must be residents and/or clinical fellows in programs including, but not limited to, cardiology, neurology, nuclear medicine, ophthalmology, orthopedics, radiology, or surgery. Full applications are due June 9, 2015. More information.

NIH, Tobacco Regulatory Science Small Grant Program for New Investigators (R03)
The purpose of this Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) is to support New Investigators in the biomedical, behavioral, and social sciences who are in the early stages of establishing independent careers in tobacco regulatory research. The R03 grant mechanism supports different types of projects including pilot and feasibility studies; secondary analysis of existing data; small, self-contained research projects; development of research methodology; and development of new research technology. Applicants are encouraged to conduct projects that ultimately have potential to inform regulations on tobacco product manufacturing, distribution, and marketing. The proposal deadline is June 12, 2015. More information.

NIH, Pilot and Feasibility Clinical Trials in Diabetes, and Endocrine and Metabolic Diseases (R21)
This Funding Opportunity Announcement encourages the submission of pilot and feasibility trials conducted in humans that will lay the foundation for larger clinical trials related to the prevention and/or treatment of diabetes or selected endocrine and genetic metabolic diseases within the mission of NIDDK. The program will support short-term clinical trials in humans to acquire preliminary data and/or refine power calculations that would lead to a larger, more definitive study impacting clinical care or health outcomes. The proposal deadline is June 16, 2015. More information.

NIH, Undiagnosed Diseases Gene Function Research (R21)
This Exploratory/Developmental Research Funding Opportunity intends to support gene function studies in collaboration with the Undiagnosed Diseases Network (UDN) building upon the NIH Intramural Research Program's Undiagnosed Diseases Program (NIH-UDP). Responsive applications will propose to investigate the underlying genetics, biochemistry and/or pathophysiology of newly diagnosed diseases in association with the respective gene variant(s) identified through the UDN. In recent years, gene function studies combined with genetic and genomic analyses and metabolic studies have greatly improved diagnoses of these very rare diseases and advanced scientific knowledge of the underlying pathogenesis. This initiative is funded through the NIH Common Fund, which supports cross-cutting programs that are expected to have exceptionally high impact. The proposal deadline is June 24, 2015. More information.

American Heart Association, Scientist Development Grant
The purpose of the Scientist Development Grant is to support highly promising beginning scientists in their progress toward independence by encouraging and adequately funding research projects that can bridge the gap between completion of research training and readiness for successful competition as an independent investigator. Research broadly related to cardiovascular function and disease and stroke, or to related clinical, basic science, bioengineering or biotechnology, and public health problems, including multidisciplinary efforts is the focus of the research. Proposals are encouraged from all basic, behavioral, epidemiological, and community and clinical investigations that bear on cardiovascular and stroke problems. The proposal deadline is July 21, 2015. More information.

The Epilepsy Foundation, New Therapy Commercialization Grants Program
The Epilepsy Foundation - New Therapy Commercialization Grants Program supports the development of more effective therapies by serving as a catalyst for moving innovative therapies from the laboratory to the patient. Investigators must hold a relevant advanced degree (M.D., and/or Ph.D.), and have completed all research training. This call for proposals is open to investigators at corporations as well as the academic/university arena. The letter of intent deadline is August 14, 2015. More information.
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Research Education Program Grants for Courses for Skills Development (R25)  
**PAR-15-139**                                                                                                                                                           | 5/25/2015        |
| ASAP                | **National Cancer Institute**  
Cancer Research Education Grants Program - Curriculum or Methods Development (R25)  
**PAR-15-150**                                                                                                                                                           | 5/25/2015        |
| 5/14/2015           | **Sanford Burnham Medical Research Institute**  
Florida Translational Research Program (FTRP)  
| 5/15/2015           | **NIH - Division of Program Coordination, Planning and Strategic Initiatives, Office of Research Infrastructure Programs**  
Shared Instrumentation Grant (SIG) Program (S10)  
**PAR-15-088**                                                                                                                                                             | 5/29/2015        |
| 5/19/2015           | **National Institute on Aging**  
Comparative Physiological Studies of Aging (R03)  
**RFA-AG-16-003**                                                                                                                                                          | 6/2/2015         |
| 5/22/2015           | **National Institute on Drug Abuse**  
Gene-Environment Interplay in Substance Abuse Disorders (R01)  
**PA-15-110**                                                                                                                                                             | 6/5/2015         |
| 5/22/2105           | **National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases**  
Investigations on Primary Immunodeficiency Diseases (R01)  
**PAR-15-130**                                                                                                                                                            | 6/5/2015         |
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Advancing Translational and Clinical Probiotic/Prebiotic and Human Microbiome Research (R01)  
PA-15-127           | 6/5/2015                                                    |
| 5/22/2015           |                                                                                                        |
|                     | NIH - Multiple Institutes  
Prevention Research in Mid-Life Adults (R01)  
More Information    | 6/5/2015                                                    |
| 5/22/2015           |                                                                                                        |
|                     | National Institute on Aging  
Diabetes and Cardiovascular Disease in Older Adults (R01)  
PA-15-037           | 6/5/2015                                                    |
| 5/22/2015           |                                                                                                        |
|                     | NIH - Multiple Institutes  
Pathway to Independence Award (Parent K99/R00)  
PA-15-083           | 6/12/2015                                                   |
| 5/29/2015           |                                                                                                        |
|                     | NIH - Multiple Institutes  
Mentored Quantitative Research Development Award (Parent K25)  
PA-14-048           | 6/12/2015                                                   |
| 5/29/2015           |                                                                                                        |
|                     | National Institute on Aging  
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PA-15-038           | 6/16/2015                                                   |
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| 6/3/2015     | Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ)  
AHRQ Health Services Research Projects (R01)  
PA-14-291 | 6/17/2015 |
| 6/3/2015     | National Cancer Institute  
Innovative Technologies for Cancer-Relevant Biospecimen Science (R21)  
RFA-CA-15-004 | 6/17/2015 |
| 6/8/2015     | National Cancer Institute  
Exploratory Grant Award to Promote Workforce Diversity in Basic Cancer Research (R21)  
PAR-15-053 | 6/22/2015 |
| 6/8/2015     | National Center for Complementary and Integrative Health  
Phased Innovation Award for Exploratory Clinical Trials and Studies of Natural Products in NCCIH High Priority Research Topics (R21/R33)  
RFA-AT-16-001 | 6/22/2015 |
| 8/6/2015     | National Institute on Drug Abuse  
Cutting-Edge Basic Research Awards (R21)  
PAR-15-079 | 9/22/2015 |
| 11/3/2015    | National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute  
Mentored Career Development Award to Promote Faculty Diversity in Biomedical Research (K01)  
RFA-HL-16-006 | 11/17/2015 |
OTHER FUNDING RESOURCES

Pivot
From any on-campus computer, go to http://pivot.cos.com. FSU’s IP addresses will be recognized by Pivot, so you can start searching for funding opportunities right away. Creating a Pivot account is easy, at the website click “Sign up” in the upper right corner. Once registered, you can log in with a Pivot username and password anytime, anywhere. Logging in allows you to manage active or tracked funding opportunities, save searches, share opportunities, and search for potential collaborators. Username and password access is necessary when a) you are off-campus, or b) when you want to save a funding record or funding search.

FSU Foundation Search Tool and Corporate Development Assistance
For grant funding assistance related to your programmatic research and academic initiatives, the Office of Corporate & Foundation Development is happy to provide institution-wide access to the Foundation Center Online database accessible through FSU IP. Click here to begin your search of over 100,000 private foundations and charities.

The FSU Foundation can also assist researchers by establishing relationships with corporations and private foundations. Corporate Development staff members will work with you on proposal and concept development, private foundation or corporation research, and the submission process of grant proposals. More Information.

National Institutes of Health Resources
NIH Funding Opportunities and Notices Search Engine
NIH Standard Due Dates for Competing Applications
All About Grants Podcasts - Conversations with NIH staff members providing inside information for successful grantsmanship.

NIH Extramural Nexus & Rock Talk Blog - News, updates and blog posts on extramural grant policies, processes, events and resources.

FSU Office of Research
Office of Proposal Development - The office provides a variety of services including proposal development assistance, faculty partnership identification, as well as training opportunities for faculty who are new to grant seeking and grant writing. Additionally, they offer copyediting services for researchers who speak English as a second language. More Information.

SRA Listserv Administration - Subscribe to keep up with notices of important news and events related to contracts and grants including limited submission opportunities. More Information.

Office of Research Newsletter - Online access to Sponsored Research’s monthly newsletter pertaining to research activities and important announcements. More Information.

Research Development and Grant Writing News - FSU has a subscription to this newsletter containing both articles and links to funding news. All FSU faculty, staff and students have access to current and back issues. To be added to the monthly distribution list, email bhodges@fsu.edu and you will also be provided with a username and password for the archives found at Research Development and Grant Writing News.

Limited Submission Opportunities - Funding Opportunities requiring an internal competition before submission to an external sponsor. More Information.

Internal Competitions - Funding Opportunities available only to FSU faculty. More Information.
OTHER FUNDING RESOURCES (Cont.)

Postdoc and Student Resources

UCLA Graduate & Postdoctoral Extramural Support (GRAPES) Database
This database catalogs extramural funding opportunities of interest to students and postdoctoral scholars. It contains information on over 500 private and publicly funded awards, fellowships, and internships. Access the database through the GRAPES Search Form.

FSU Office of Postdoctoral Affairs
Part of The Florida State University’s Graduate School, the Office of Postdoctoral Affairs (OPA) serves as a central resource and information conduit for all postdoctoral researchers as well as faculty and staff who work with postdoctoral researchers at FSU. The OPA publishes a weekly digest. Additionally, FSU is a sustaining member of the National Postdoctoral Association, giving all postdocs at FSU Affiliate Membership in the NPA. More Information.

Research Fellowships for Medical Students
Many medical schools and institutions offer programs for medical students who are interested in exploring research as part of their career. Fellowships and scholarly programs are offered in summers or year-long programs. Fourth and fifth year medical students can also participate in research electives. More Information.

Other

Morganonscience.com
Morgan on Science is a free resource for grant writing tips and secrets by Morgan Giddings, Ph.D.
SUBMITTING PROPOSALS FOR GRANTS AND CONTRACTS
College of Medicine, Office of Research Administration (Med-RA)

Help us help you! The sooner you let us know of your intent to submit a proposal for extramural funding, the sooner we can help you navigate the paths to a successful submission. Our goals are to assist you with the CoM requirements and those of FSU Sponsored Research Administration (SRA), or in the case of private funding, the FSU Research Foundation (FSURF), minimize the administrative burden, and meet sponsor guidelines in a seamless, integrated fashion.

SRA/FSURF requires "complete" proposals three business days in advance of the sponsor’s deadline. If you contact us at least 30 days in advance, together we can identify, gather, or create the elements/components, then assemble the application by the SRA/FSURF deadline for institutional approval. The goal is to have, in hand, no later than 10 business days before the sponsor’s deadline, all the elements needed to assemble the components for a complete proposal for SRA/FSURF. Piecemeal in advance of this goal is appropriate and encouraged.

Please note that generally our office works on a first in, first out basis, so let’s minimize “PTSD” (Proposal Tragedies, Shock and Dysfunction), while meeting the FSU three-day institutional approval deadline for a “complete” proposal!

10-Day Advance Proposal Preparation Guidelines
Contact Med-RA at research@fsu.edu for proposal preparation assistance.

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If you have any questions, call 645-7341 or visit us in MSB Suite G117 (lower level). For further information visit the Med-RA Website.

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