Funding Opportunities & Announcements

ALERTS

NIH Standard Due Dates

Cycle III began on September 25. Common mechanism due dates are as follows:

- R01 (not new) – November 6
- Other Rs (not new) – November 7
- K series (not new) – November 12
- F Series (all) – December 8
- F31 Diversity Fellowships - December 13

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. For more information.

CoM Human Subjects Research Review Process Now in Effect

Beginning Nov. 3, 2014, all College of Medicine faculty, staff, residents, fellows and students conducting human subjects research must participate in an internal faculty-based review process through the College’s Research Advisory Committee (RAC).

- This process applies only to new IRB applications; renewals and amendments are excluded.
- This process applies even if the Principal Investigator is non-CoM.
- RAC review must be completed prior to submission to any governing IRBs.
- A letter from the RAC Chair indicating the review has been completed must accompany all new submissions to the FSU IRB.
- For research involving external funding, the new process will not impede or delay sponsor applications. Grant submissions are not contingent upon completion of RAC review.

Submissions for RAC review are online through the CoM SharePoint Intranet and should occur approximately three (3) weeks prior to the FSU IRB submission deadline. Note, the next FSU IRB deadline is November 21. Questions may be directed to RAC@med.fsu.edu. More information.

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ERAS Quick Queries are Moving in November
Quick Queries are a series of search tools designed to help find important information concerning your NIH awarded grant(s) without the need of an ERAS Commons account. There are currently four query options available on the ERAS Commons Quick Queries page:

- Commons Registered Organizations
- Progress Report Search by IPF number
- IPF Number Search
- Issued Notice of (Grant) Award

In late November, these queries will all be available from the ERAS Commons home page (no log in required) using Commons Quick Queries link under Additional Links along the right side of the page. If you have any of the tools bookmarked, please note that after the update the URL will no longer function and you will need to bookmark the new URLs.

NIH Division of Loan Repayment
You do the research, NIH will repay your student loans. That is the idea behind the National Institutes of Health Loan Repayment Programs (LRPs). If you commit at least two years to conducting qualified research funded by a domestic nonprofit organization or U.S. federal, state, or local government entity, NIH may repay up to $35,000 of your qualified student loan debt per year, including most undergraduate, graduate, and medical school loans. Loan repayment benefits are in addition to the institutional salary you receive for your research.

If you are or will be conducting qualified research funded by a domestic nonprofit institution outside NIH, you may be eligible for one of the five extramural LRPs:

- Clinical Research
- Pediatric Research
- Health Disparities Research
- Contraception and Infertility Research
- Clinical Research for Individuals from Disadvantaged Backgrounds

You may submit only one LRP application to NIH in any fiscal year, even though your research may be appropriate for more than one of the programs. The application cycle closes November 17, 2014. More Information.

FEATURED FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

FSU Council on Research and Creativity, Faculty Research Support (COFRS)
The purpose of this program is to provide funds to faculty for summer salary in support of research and creative activity. This is the regular COFRS program and is distinct from the special program for First Year Assistant Professors (FYAPs). The application deadline is November 17, 2014. More Information.

The Julie Martin Mid-Career Award in Aging Research
The Ellison Medical Foundation is for outstanding mid-career scientists who propose new directions of high importance to biological gerontology. Projects that are high risk but high yield are particularly encouraged if they have the potential for leading to major new advances in our understanding of basic mechanisms of aging. Projects investigating age-related diseases are also supported, but only if approached from the point of view of how basic aging processes may lead to these outcomes. Projects concerning mechanisms underlying common geriatric functional disorders are also encouraged, as long as these include fundamental mechanisms in the biology of aging. The letter of intent deadline is December 15, 2014. More Information.
FEATURED FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES (Cont.)

American Federation for Aging Research Grants for Junior Faculty
AFAR provides up to $100,000 for a one to two year award to junior faculty (M.D.s and Ph.D.s) to conduct research that will serve as the basis for longer-term research efforts. AFAR-supported investigators study a broad range of biomedical and clinical topics including the causes of cellular senescence, the role of estrogen in the development of osteoporosis, the genetic factors associated with Alzheimer’s disease, the effects of nutrition and exercise on the aging process, and much more. The deadline for Letters of Intent is December 15, 2014. More Information.

Congressionally Directed Medical Breast Cancer Research Program Breakthrough Awards
The BCRP challenges the scientific community to design research that will address the urgency of ending breast cancer. Specifically, the BCRP seeks to accelerate high-impact research with clinical relevance, encourage innovation and stimulate creativity, and facilitate productive collaborations. The pre-application is due December 3, 2014 with final applications due December 17, 2014. More Information.

Parkinson’s Disease Foundation Mentored Clinical Research Award
The Mentored Clinical Research Award (MCRA) for new investigators is funded by a grant from the Parkinson’s Disease Foundation (PDF) to the Parkinson Study Group (PSG). The grant supports new investigators for a one-year project in patient-oriented research in Parkinson’s disease or other parkinsonian disorders under the mentorship of an experienced investigator. The goal of the award is to provide funding for an investigator who has the potential to become an independent researcher. The application deadline is January 2, 2014. More Information.

Arthritis National Research Foundation Arthritis and Aging Research Grant
In a collaborative effort, the Arthritis National Research Foundation (ANRF) and the American Federation for Aging Research (AFAR) are seeking grant applications that focus on studying the underlying mechanisms of the aging process as it relates to arthritis. The application deadline is January 15, 2015. More Information.

National Institute of Health, Systems Developmental Biology for Understanding Embryonic Development and the Ontogeny of Structural Birth Defects (R01)
The purpose of this funding opportunity announcement (FOA) is to promote systems developmental biology. In the context of this FOA, systems developmental biology is defined as research focused on understanding how biological components work together to produce the complex biological phenomena encompassing embryonic development. The application due date is January 15, 2014. More Information.

National Science Foundation, Major Research Instrument Program (MRI)
The Major Research Instrumentation Program (MRI) serves to increase access to shared scientific and engineering instruments for research and research training in our Nation’s institutions of higher education, not-for-profit museums, science centers and scientific/engineering research organizations. The program provides organizations with opportunities to acquire major instrumentation that supports the research and research training goals of the organization and that may be used by other researchers regionally or nationally. The MRI program assists with the acquisition or development of a shared research instrument that is, in general, too costly and/or not appropriate for support through other NSF programs. The program does not fund research projects or provide ongoing support for operating or maintaining facilities or centers. The application submission deadline is January 22, 2015. More Information.

National Science Foundation’s Science, Technology, and Society Grant
The Science, Technology, and Society (STS) program supports research that uses historical, philosophical, and social scientific methods to investigate the intellectual, material, and social facets of the scientific, technological, engineering and mathematical (STEM) disciplines. It encompasses a broad spectrum of STS topics including interdisciplinary studies of ethics, equity, governance, and policy issues that are closely related to STEM disciplines, including medical science. The deadlines for proposal submission is February 2nd, 2015. More Information.
FEATURED FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES (Cont.)

American Asthma Foundation Scholar Awards
The AAF Scholars Program is devoted entirely to early to mid-career investigators. Awards up to $450,000 will go to investigators in the U.S. who are within 10 years of their first independent faculty appointment. The deadline for applications is February 4, 2015. More information.

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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.

ScanGrants™
The funding sources listed here may be of interest to virtually anyone associated with the health field – medical researchers, social workers, nurses, students, community-based health educators, academics and others. Funding sources most frequently listed here include those of private foundations, corporations, businesses, and not-for-profit organizations. 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 Sponsored Research
SRS Listserv Administration - Subscribe to keep up with notices of important news and events related to contracts and grants including limited submission opportunities. More Information.
SRS 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. More Information.
Click here for internal funding opportunities available only to FSU faculty.
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

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 Office of Research Administration website.

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