**ALERTS**

**NIH Standard Due Dates**

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

- K series (new) – October 12
- Other Rs (new) – October 16
- R15 (all) – October 25
- R01 (not new) – November 5
- K series (not new) – November 12
- Other Rs (not new) – November 16
- F Series (all) – December 8

*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.]

**New Human Subjects Research Review Process at CoM in Effect November 3**

Recently Dean Fogarty announced the launch of a faculty-based review process for all CoM-affiliated human subjects research proposals. As of November 3 new IRB applications must first be internally reviewed, and a letter then will be provided to the researcher that must accompany the FSU IRB submission.

Reviews are only required for new IRB applications from the College of Medicine. For research involving external funding, the process will not impede or delay sponsor applications because it occurs in parallel. Sponsor submissions will not be contingent on RAC review.

A Research Advisory Committee (RAC) has been formed, and is chaired by Dr. Mike Muszynski, Associate Dean for Clinical Research. RAC is administratively supported by Med-RA staff. Submissions for RAC review will occur online using the CoM SharePoint Intranet. Questions may be directed to RAC@med.fsu.edu. [More information.]

**Demystifying eRA**

A new series of video tutorials on navigating the Status screen in eRA Commons is now available on the eRA website. The 10-part series walks you through the steps for submitting just-in-time information, a no-cost extension, a relinquishing statement to give up an active grant to another institution and more. The videos range from 3 to 8 minutes. [More information.]

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New NIH Progress Reporting Requirements

As a reminder, two changes to progress reporting take effect in October. First, reporting on the use of individual development plans (IDPs) for grad students and postdoc researchers on your grant is required. For more information.

Second, the federal-wide progress reporting format — known as the RPPR (Research Performance Progress Report) — being phased in since 2012 no includes all type 5 non-SNAP progress reports submitted on or after October 17, 2014. For more information.

Did you know we can assist you with your progress report? Contact us at research@med.fsu.edu for more information.

Upcoming Webinars to Give Insights on the NIH Peer Review Process

Do you want to learn how to make NIH peer review work for you? Sign up for one of the four Meet the Experts in NIH Peer Review. The Center for Scientific Review (CSR) designed these webinars to give new NIH grant applicants and others useful insights into the submission and review processes.

- Academic Research Enhancement Awards (R15) – Nov. 4, 2014
- Fellowship Awards – Nov. 5, 2014
- Small Business Grants (SBIR/STTR) – Nov. 7, 2014
- Research Project Grants (R01) – Nov. 10, 2014

All of the webinars will run from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. Eastern Standard Time, including a 30 minute question and answer period. More information.

OMB’s Uniform Guidance – FSU’s Implementation of the Guidance Coming Soon

On December 26, 2013, the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) issued the “Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards.” (2 CFR Chapter I, Chapter II, Part 200, et al.). The Uniform Guidance consolidates, streamlines and supersedes eight existing OMB Circulars, including Circulars A-21, A-110 and A-133. The new guidance, which will affect all new and incremental federal awards issued on or after December 26, 2014, is applicable to Institutions of Higher Education and nonprofit research institutions, as well as other non-federal entities including states, local and tribal governments and nonprofit organizations. FSU’s Office of Sponsored Research Administration (SRA) will provide specific guidance on the changes in the Uniform Guidance affecting proposal budgets and charging of direct costs on federal awards in the next few weeks.

NIH Operates Under a Continuing Resolution

The Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), including NIH, operates under the Continuing Appropriations Act, 2015 (H.J.Res. 124) signed by President Obama on September 19, 2014. This Act (CR) continues government operations through December 11, 2014 at 99.9 percent of the FY 2014 enacted level. More Information.
CAMPUS-WIDE RESEARCH NEWS

FSU Office of Research 6th Annual Sneak Peek Event
Florida State University’s annual Sneak Peek offers a unique preview of research and creative activity efforts that are working their way off campus and into our daily lives. Highlights of this year’s Sneak Peek event include:

- Wall-to-wall exhibits showcasing FSU research headed to the marketplace
- Information on new and existing companies created through FSU research endeavors
- Live technology demonstrations by FSU researchers and their students
- Special surprises from the FSU Master Craftsmen Studio and FSU College of Motion Picture Arts
- Brief remarks by Florida Department of Economic Opportunity Executive Director Jesse Panuccio

The event is being held at the FSU Turnbull Conference Center on Thursday October 23, 2014 from 5:30pm - 9:00pm. More Information.

FSU Office of Proposal Development Social Media Workshop
Figuring out how to use social media to promote your research, teach a class and network with colleagues across the globe can be a daunting proposition. In this interactive workshop, you will be introduced to some of the most popular social media platforms and informed of how you can utilize them within your academic career. Please bring your laptop or tablet. Exploration during the presentation is highly encouraged! The workshop will be in at the The Globe (CGE) room 2500 on November 24, 2014 from 3:00pm - 4:00pm. Please click here to register or contact Patrice Williams (pcwilliams@fsu.edu) for more information.

FEATURED FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

Florida Translational Research Program (FTRP)
The Program provides Florida-based scientists with access to experienced professionals and state-of-the-art technological resources for drug discovery to facilitate an interdisciplinary, collaborative approach to the establishment of a pipeline of potential new treatments for today’s most challenging and unmet medical needs. The program seeks applications for assay development, high-throughput screening, and medicinal chemistry projects. Applications must be submitted through your institutional representative and are due by October 23, 2014. More Information.

The Michael J. Fox Foundation Target Validation Program
The Target Validation program supports work aiming to determine whether manipulation of a defined biological target provides a disease-relevant beneficial outcome in a whole animal, mammalian model of PD. Although MJFF does not have any preference for particular targets submitted to this program, they seek proposals intending to validate PD relevant biological targets that are implicated in disease modification, symptomatic strategies (motor and non-motor symptoms of PD) and/or alleviate drug-induced changes to underlying brain circuitry and motor behavior (e.g. dyskinesia). Pre-proposals are due October 29, 2014. More Information.

The Pew Charitable Trusts Biomedical Scholars Grant
The Pew Scholars Program in the Biomedical Sciences provides funding to young investigators of outstanding promise in science relevant to the advancement of human health. If awarded, funds may be used at the discretion of the Pew scholar, for personnel, equipment, supplies, or travel directly related to the Scholar’s research and as to best advance his or her research and career. The application deadline is November 3, 2014. More Information.
FEATURED FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES (Cont.)

Academy Health/Aetna Foundation Scholars in Residence Fellowship Program
This fellowship is designed to retain underrepresented racial/ethnic minorities in health services research by providing professional training and networking activities for junior and mid-career level academics and clinical practitioners, who are conducting disparities research with a focus on population health. The Aetna Foundation will host the fellows in Hartford, CT for up to one week and provide a $15,000 stipend to support a disparities research project. Five fellows will be selected. The application deadline is November 7, 2014. More Information.

Burroughs Wellcome Fund Fall 2014 Grant Opportunities
The Burroughs Wellcome Fund has three programs for which faculty of degree-granting institutions in the United States and Canada are eligible:

1. Investigators in the Pathogenesis of Infectious Disease: These awards are targeted toward assistant professors for the study of pathogenesis, with a focus on the intersection of human and pathogen biology. The program is intended to shed light on the overarching issues of how human hosts handle infectious challenge. The application deadline is November 3, 2014.

2. Innovation in Regulatory Science: Innovation in Regulatory Science Awards provides up to $500,000 over five years to academic investigators who are addressing research questions that will lead to innovation in regulatory science, with ultimate translation of those results into improving the regulatory process. These awards are intended to provide support for academic researchers developing new methodologies or innovative approaches in regulatory science that will ultimately inform the regulatory decisions the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) and others make. The proposal deadline is November 18, 2014.

3. Preterm Birth Initiative: These awards are targeted toward faculty whose work will increase the understanding of the biological mechanisms underlying parturition and spontaneous preterm birth. This program is also intended to bring together a diverse interdisciplinary group with expertise in genetics/genomics, immunology, microbiology, and proteomics along with the more traditional areas of parturition research such as maternal fetal medicine, obstetrics, and pediatrics to address the scientific issues related to preterm birth. The application deadline is December 1, 2014. More Information.

Melanoma Research Alliance (MRA) Grants
MRA plans to support at least $7 million in new funding for Established Investigator Awards, Pilot Awards, Young Investigator Awards, Academic-Industry Partnership Awards, and Special Opportunity Awards. November 11 is the deadline for Young Investigator Award (including Dermatology Young Investigators), Established Investigator Award (including BMS-MRA Established Investigators), and Pilot Award (including SITC-MRA Pilot Award) proposals. November 21 is the deadline for All Academic-Industry Partnership Award (for Established Investigators and Teams) and BMS-MRA Team Science Award proposals. More information.

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Health Policy Fellows
The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Health Policy Fellows program provides the nation’s most comprehensive fellowship experience at the nexus of health science, policy and politics in Washington, D.C. It is an outstanding opportunity for exceptional midcareer health professionals and behavioral and social scientists with an interest in health and health care policy promoting the health of the nation. Fellows participate in the policy process at the federal level and use that leadership experience to improve health, health care and health policy. The application deadline is November 13, 2014. More Information.
FEATURED FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES (Cont.)

The Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation Grand Challenges Explorations
Grand Challenges Explorations seeks innovative global health and development solutions. Applicants can be at any experience level; in any discipline; and from any organization, including universities, government laboratories, research institutions, non-profit organizations as well as for-profit companies. Two-page proposals are being accepted online until November 12, 2014 on the following topics:

- New Approaches for Addressing Outdoor/Residual Malaria
- Surveillance Tools, Diagnostics and an Artificial Diet to Support New Approaches to Vector Control
- New Ways to Reduce Pneumonia Fatalities through Timely, Effective Treatment of Children
- Enable Universal Acceptance of Mobile Money Payments to Create an Economic Ecosystem that Will Help Lift the Poorest Out of Poverty
- Explore New Ways to Measure Brain Development and Gestational Age
- New Ways of Working Together: Integrating Community-Based Interventions

More Information.

JDRF Discovery and Validation of Biomarkers for Recent-Onset Human Type 1 Diabetes
This funding opportunity is intended to support biomarker research in the recent onset setting, both at the early stages of discovery and development as well as at the more advanced stages of biomarker confirmation and validation. Expressions of interest are requested for the confirmation and validation of biomarker assays that are supported by robust preliminary data and statistical analysis as well as the discovery and development of biomarkers in the recent onset setting that allow staging of disease progression, predict the rate of C-peptide decline, stratify patients for therapy, or identify responders/non-responders to therapy. The mandatory letter of intent deadline is November 14, 2014. More Information.

National Science Foundation Division of Molecular and Cellular Biosciences
The Division of Molecular and Cellular Biosciences (MCB) supports quantitative, predictive, and theory-driven fundamental research and related activities designed to promote understanding of complex living systems at the molecular, subcellular, and cellular levels. MCB is soliciting proposals for hypothesis-driven and discovery research and related activities in four core clusters: Molecular Biophysics, Cellular Dynamics and Function, Genetic Mechanisms and Systems and Synthetic Biology. The application deadline is November 17, 2014. More Information.

Alzheimer’s Drug Discovery Foundation
The Alzheimer’s Drug Discovery Foundation (ADDF) seeks to fill the critical translational funding gap between basic research and later stage drug development by funding promising preclinical drug discovery and biomarker development programs relevant to Alzheimer’s disease, other dementias and cognitive aging. Letters of intent are required and are due two weeks prior to the application deadline of December 5, 2014. More Information.

American Lung Association 2015-2016 Awards and Grants Program
The American Lung Association Awards and Grants Program’s goals are to foster laboratory, patient-centered and social/behavioral research designed to prevent and relieve the suffering associated with lung diseases and corresponding risk factors. Grant offerings include biomedical research grants, social-behavioral research grants and clinical patient care research grants. Each program is intended to provide seed monies to junior investigators researching the mechanisms of lung disease and general lung biology. The application 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 biochemical 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.

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| **10/31/2014** | National Science Foundation  
Collaborative Research in Computational Neuroscience (CRCNS)  
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| **11/6/2014** | National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases  
Research Using Biosamples from Selected Type 1 Diabetes Clinical Studies (DP3)  
**PAR-14-257** | 11/20/2014 |
| **11/6/2014** | NIH - Multiple Institutes  
Training Modules to Enhance Data Reproducibility (R25)  
**RFA-GM-51-006** | 11/20/2014 |
| **12/19/2014** | NIH - Multiple Institutes  
Global Brain and Nervous Systems Disorders Research Across the Lifespan (R01)  
**PAR-14-332** | 1/5/2015 |
| **12/19/2014** | National Institute on Aging  
Biomarkers of Alzheimer’s Disease in Down Syndrome (R01)  
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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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