Alerts

Standard due dates for NIH Cycle II proposal submissions:

NIH Cycle II Highlights
Cycle II began on May 25, 2014.

- All R15 applications are due June 25, 2014.
- R01 renewals, resubmissions and revised applications are due July 5, 2014.
- K Series renewals, resubmissions and revised applications are due July 12, 2014.
- R03, R21, R33, R34 and R36 renewals, resubmissions and revised applications are due July 16, 2014.
- F Series Fellowships new, renewal and resubmission applications are due August 8, 2014.
- F31 Diversity Fellowships new, renewal, and resubmission applications are due August 13, 2014.

Remember, proposals are due to the CoM Office of Research Administration (MORA) 10 business days prior to the sponsor deadline. Principal Investigators are encouraged to contact the office at least 30 days in advance.

Future Changes to the NIH Biosketch Format Anticipated
The NIH is piloting planned modifications to the NIH Biographical Sketch (Biosketch) through select RFAs. It extends the page limit from four to five pages and allows researchers to describe up to five of their most significant contributions to science along with the historical background that framed their research. This description can outline the central finding(s) of their work, the influence of those finding(s) on their field and how those findings may have contributed to improvements in health or technology. In addition to the descriptions of their contributions, researchers will be able to include a link to a full list of their published work as found in key publicly available digital databases. The NIH believes that the modified biosketch will offer reviewers a better picture of a researcher’s accomplishments and capabilities, and will help illuminate the downstream effects of scientific discovery. More Information.

Carolina Biological Supply now an eMarket Vendor
Procurement Services is pleased to inform you that CAROLINA BIOLOGICAL SUPPLY (Vendor ID 0000003546), a science teaching materials company, has been added to eMarket. A punch-out catalog with direct access to the vendor’s online catalog which contains detailed product information is enabled. This punch-out catalog comprises over 14,800 items available for purchase. Furthermore, we now receive a 10% discount from this vendor as well as free shipping for orders issued at $200.00 and greater. A direct PO dispatch enablement, which can speed up the PO fulfillment process, is also enabled with this vendor. More Information.

Updated University Facts Sheet
Significant changes have been made to the Florida State University Facts Sheet. These changes include a new section labeled Sponsor Salary Limitations, a new section labeled Escalation Factors for Proposal Budgets and the finally, the fringe benefit rates for workers compensation and terminal leave have been changed pending final approval by DHHS. To view the updated Facts Sheet, please visit the Sponsored Research Administration website.

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CAMPUS-WIDE RESEARCH NEWS

FSU Office of Research, Sponsored Research Administration Certificate Series

Sponsored Research Administration Certificate Series will provide central and departmental staff with the skills and knowledge to manage sponsored projects fiscally and administratively. Space is limited for some classes; please register through OMNI HR Self Service. More Information.

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GRANT WRITING

NIH Basics – Something Old and Something New!

From the eRA Commons Help Desk come some reminders and tips to avoid fatal flaws in electronic submissions:

- Use PDF format for all attachments. Follow PDF Guidelines.
- Submit early – days, not minutes – to allow time to correct unforeseen errors.
- Track your submission in eRA Commons. Email can be unreliable.
- Check your entire assembled application image in eRA Commons. If you can’t view it, they can’t review it!
- Watch out for form fields required by NIH that are not marked required on federal-wide forms (e.g. Credential for PD/PIs and Organization for all entries on R&R Sr/Key Person Profile form; primary site DUNS on Project/Performance Sites form).
GRANT WRITING (Cont.)

NIH Basics – Something Old and Something New! (Cont.)

Although NIH systems now support a broader character set including Greek and other non-standard characters, Grants.gov currently does not.

- When completing application form fields type content directly from your keyboard. Avoid cutting and pasting from Word and other word processors - they often convert your plain text to rich text, causing conversion problems.
- Keep your text as simple as possible. The following characters are typically “safe”: letters, numbers, spaces, underscores, periods, dashes (not em-dashes), quotes (not smart quotes), parentheses, brackets, ampersands, tildes, exclamation points, commas, colons, semicolons, at signs, number signs, dollar signs, percent signs, plus signs, equal signs, and asterisks.
- Limit your use of fancier characters to the body of your PDF attachments.

FEATURED FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

Damon Runyon-Rachleff Innovation Award

The Damon Runyon-Rachleff Innovation Award is designed to provide support for the next generation of exceptionally creative thinkers with “high-risk/high-reward” ideas that have the potential to significantly impact our understanding of and/or approaches to the prevention, diagnosis or treatment of cancer. The Innovation Award is specifically designed to provide funding to extraordinary early career researchers who have an innovative new idea but lack sufficient preliminary data to obtain traditional funding. It is not designed to fund incremental advances. The research supported by the award must be novel, exceptionally creative and, if successful, have the strong potential for high impact in the cancer field. The application deadline is July 1, 2014. More Information.

JDRF Targeting Islet Cell Plasticity for Regeneration of Beta Cell Function in T1D

This RFA will support performance-driven, milestone-based research programs aimed at identifying and validating mechanisms, pathways and potential drug targets regulating islet cell plasticity. It is expected that the RFA-sponsored studies may ultimately have implications for treatment of type 1 diabetes and that the data generated may be used to support longer-term efforts aimed at drug discovery and translation. Proposals that include studies on human islets will be prioritized. The letter of intent deadline is July 17, 2014. The application deadline is October 9, 2014. More Information.

National Institute on Minority Health and Health Disparities: Social Behavioral, Health Services and Policy Research on Minority Health and Health Disparities (R01)

The purpose of this funding opportunity announcement (FOA) is to solicit innovative basic and applied research on fundamental biological mechanisms involved in disease conditions that disproportionately affect health disparity populations and therapies or interventions that can directly or demonstrably contribute to reducing or eliminating health disparities. Projects investigating disease/condition etiology, physiology, genetic risk factors, molecular pathways, gene-environment interactions, pharmacogenomics and personalized medicine in health disparity populations are particularly encouraged. The letter of intent (not required) deadline is July 28, 2014 and the application deadline is August 28, 2014. More Information.
FEATURED FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES (Cont.)

The Retirement Research Foundation
The Retirement Research Foundation (RFF) is one of the nation’s first private foundations devoted exclusively to aging and retirement issues. Throughout its history, RRF has awarded more than $200 million for innovative projects that benefit older Americans. RFF programs support direct service, advocacy, education and training, and research. Proposals for projects in the following states are now available: Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kentucky, Missouri, Wisconsin, and Florida. The deadline to apply is August 1, 2014. More Information.

PCORI Funding Announcement and Grant Submission for the Fall 2014 Cycle
The PCORI application system will open Wednesday, August 6, 2014 for the Fall 2014 PCORI Funding Announcements listed below. All FOA’s have a letter intent deadline of September 5, 2014 and an application deadline of November 4, 2014. More Information.
• Assessment of Prevention, Diagnosis and Treatment Options
• Improving Healthcare Systems
• Communication and Dissemination Research
• Addressing Disparities
• Improving Methods for Conducting Patient-Centered Outcomes Research

National Science Foundation ADVANCE Program
The goals of the ADVANCE program are to develop systemic approaches to increase the representation and advancement of women in academic STEM careers. The Institutional Transformation (IT) track is meant to produce large-scale comprehensive change and serve as a locus for research on gender equity and institutional transformation for academic STEM. The Institutional Transformation Catalyst (IT Catalyst) track is meant either to conduct self-assessment or to implement unique strategies – either adapted from those found effective in the IT track or ones designed to be responsive to the unique environments of eligible institutions – and evaluate their effectiveness. The Partnerships for Learning and Adaptation Networks (PLAN) track is meant to provide a larger scale environment for adapting, implementing and creating knowledge about the effectiveness of a particular strategy for change within a context of networked adaptation and learning. The letter of intent deadline is August 11, 2014. The deadline for a full proposal application is September 22, 2014. More Information.

Thrasher Research Fund Early Career Awards
The Thrasher Research Fund recognizes that young investigators may find it difficult to remain in pediatric research because of a lack of funding. The Fund will make up to 30 awards total with two funding cycles (15 awards each). Both incidence and severity are considered when determining the significance of a problem being studied. In the Early Career Award Program, the Fund is particularly interested in applicants that show great potential to impact that field of children’s health through medical research. The concept submission deadline for the fall 2014 cycle is September 12, 2014. More Information.
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High Impact Neuroscience Research Resource Grants (R24)  
**RFA-NS-14-006**                                                                                                                                       | 6/23/2014        |
| ASAP               | **Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality**  
Accelerating the Dissemination and Implementation of PCOR Findings into Primary care Practice (R18)  
**RFA-HS-14-008**                                                                                                                                       | 7/3/2014         |
| 6/26/2014          | **National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Disease**  
Prevention Innovation Program (PIP) (R01)  
**RFA-AI-13-008**                                                                                                                                       | 7/10/2014        |
| 7/1/2014           | **Leukemia & Lymphoma Society**  
The Quest for Cures to identify and develop safer, more effective treatment paradigms for patients with hematological malignancies.  
[More Information](#)                                                                                                                                     | 7/15/2014        |
| 7/1/2014           | **March of Dimes**  
2015 Research Program for research grants relevant to its mission of helping moms have full-term pregnancies and supporting research on problems that threaten the health of babies.  
| 7/1/2014           | **National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke**  
NIH StrokeNet Clinical Trials and Biomarker Studies for Stroke Treatment, Recovery, and Prevention (U01)  
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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
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. Direct questions to Gabe Grass, Director for Corporate & Foundation Development at the FSU Foundation (ggrass@foundation.fsu.edu / 850-644-0763).

FSU Foundation Search Tool and Corporate Development Assistance
The Florida State University Foundation establishes relationships with corporations and private foundations to support the academic mission of Florida State. We work closely with corporate and foundation representatives, as well as college deans and faculty from across the University, to ensure that top priorities are achieved. In the past year, Florida State University has received more than $12 million in gifts from corporations and foundations — funding scholarships, professorships, research, programs and services.

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
All About Grants Podcasts - Conversations with NIH staff members providing inside information for successful grantsmanship.

NIH Standard Due Dates for Competing Applications

NIH Extramural Nexus & Rock Talk Blog - News, updates and blog posts on extramural grant policies, processes, events and resources.
OTHER FUNDING RESOURCES (Cont.)

FSU Sponsored Research

SRS Listerv - 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.

Click here for internal funding opportunities available only to FSU faculty.

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.

Postdoc 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.

Other Funding Resources

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

STEP ONE: As soon as you know you may be involved with a proposal for sponsored funding (e.g. contract or grant), contact the College of Medicine (CoM) Office of Research Administration for technical support.

All externally funded projects involving CoM personnel, students or facilities must be CoM approved in advance of FSU Sponsored Research Services or Research Foundation approval. We are here to help you navigate the process to achieve a successful outcome. There is a 10 day CoM deadline prior to the sponsor’s submission deadline for review of the completed documents; therefore let’s work together as soon as possible!

Send us a brief email at research@med.fsu.edu describing the basics of the proposed project involving the FSU College of Medicine.

Please include as much of the following information as possible:

- Your role on the project
- Nature of the funding source, e.g. contract, grant, sub-recipient agreement, renewal
- Sponsor name and link to funding announcement
- Name(s) and contact information of any collaborators

STEP TWO: A member of our team will follow-up with you no later than the following Monday to guide you through the process and offer technical assistance as needed.

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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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