

## Funding Opportunities & Announcements

### ALERTS

#### NIH Standard Due Dates

**Cycle II will begin on May 25, 2016** and standard due dates for common mechanisms are as follows:

- R01 (new) - June 6
- K Series (new) - June 13
- R03, R21, R33, R34, R36 (new) - June 16
- R15 (all) - June 27
- R01 (renewals, resubmissions, revisions) - July 5
- K Series (renewals, resubmissions, revisions) - July 12
- R03, R21, R33, R34, R36 (renewals, resubmissions, revisions) - July 18
- F Series (all) - August 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. [More Information.](#)*

#### Second Chance for High Scoring NIH Applications?

The goal of the Online Partnership to Accelerate Research (OnPAR) is to match quality biomedical research projects with priority areas of interest of private foundations, and pharmaceutical and biotech companies and/or other private biomedical research funders. Currently in the pilot phase, only private biomedical foundations are involved. Seven private foundations have signed on to participate in OnPAR's pilot phase: Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation, National Alopecia Areata Foundation, Children's Tumor Foundation, Adenoid Cystic Carcinoma Research Foundation, Breast Cancer Research Foundation, Melanoma Research Alliance and Parent Project Muscular Dystrophy. Science magazine recently published an [article](#) about OnPAR. Only investigators that have proposed meritorious unfunded research (e.g., those scoring within the 30th percentile, or non-percentiled applications falling just below the payline) are allowed to submit. [More Information.](#)

#### Updated NIH Biosketch Instructions

Applications submitted for due dates on or after **May 25, 2016** should follow the newly clarified biosketch instructions and should use the new consolidated biosketch format for research, institutional research training, institutional career development, research education, fellowship, and dissertation awards, as well as diversity supplements. This is part of the conversion to the FORMS-D application. While the basic format remains the same, content inclusion differs. [More Information.](#)

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### Spring 2016 NIH Regional Seminar

The spring 2016 NIH Regional Seminar on Program Funding and Grants Administration will be held **May 11-13, 2016** in Baltimore MD. The seminar will include the latest information on NIH funding, extramural workforce, rigor and reproducibility, NIH initiatives, and more. Making these seminar even more valuable are the opportunities to meet one on one with NIH and HHS staff in person to get specific questions answered and receive further guidance. [More Information.](#)

### FSU Sponsored Research's New Limited Submissions Website

In Limited Submission Programs, the sponsor restricts the number of applications or proposals a campus can submit to the agency. The guidelines for these programs require institutions to screen pre-proposals or nominations to determine which applications will be submitted for competition. The Office of Proposal Development (OPD) has launched a new Limited Submission site to provide faculty with a listing of upcoming opportunities, along with the internal and external deadline dates. If you locate a limited submission opportunity not listed, it is incumbent on your to notify OPD so it can be properly listed. If a limit per department or college is imposed, a CoM internal procedure is followed. [More Information.](#)

## GRANTSMANSHIP

### Resources for Community Researchers: The Rural Health Information Hub

The Rural Health Information Hub (RHIfhub) formerly the Rural Assistance Center, is funded by the Federal Office of Rural Health Policy to be a national clearinghouse on rural health issues. The RHIfhub allows access to toolkits and program models that show what works in rural communities so that you can build effective community health programs as well as locate statistics, maps, and more to help you demonstrate need in your area. The RHIfhub online library offers easy access to thousands of resources from organizations across the U.S. Search federal, state, and foundation funding opportunities for those that might fund your project. [More Information.](#)

## FEATURED FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

### Pre-Announcement for DoD Cancer Research Program

The Department of Defense (DoD) has issued a list of FY 16 priority areas for their Peer Reviewed Cancer Research Program, including Pediatric Brain Tumors, Immunotherapy, Bladder Cancer and Lymphoma, among others. FY 16 funding is set at \$50 million. No deadlines have been announced. Another \$80 million will be made available specifically for [prostate cancer](#), and \$12 million for [lung cancer](#). [More Information.](#)

### Robert Woods Johnson Foundation, New Connections: Increasing Diversity of RWJF Programming

New Connections: Increasing Diversity of RWJF Programming is celebrating its 10th year of supporting research grants and career development opportunities for a network of more than 830 researchers from diverse, underrepresented and disadvantaged backgrounds. The program aims to expand the diversity of perspectives that inform RWJF programming and introduce new researchers to the Foundation to help address research and evaluation needs. New Connections is a career development program for early career researchers. Through grantmaking, mentorship, career development and networking, New Connections enhances the research capacity of its grantees and network members. The researchers in this program transcend disciplines (health; health care; social sciences; business; urban planning; architecture and engineering); work to build the case for a Culture of Health with strong qualitative and quantitative research skills; and produce and translate timely research results. The application deadline is **May 4, 2016**. [More Information.](#)

## FEATURED FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES (Cont.)

### Alzheimer's Drug Discovery Foundation, Combination Therapy Opportunities (ACTO) Program

This new grant mechanism, Alzheimer's Combination Therapy Opportunities (ACTO), aims to provide pilot funding to explore combination therapy opportunities in Alzheimer's disease. This program will support a biomarker-based combination clinical trial testing repurposed drug combinations through Phase II proof of concept. This new grant mechanism aims to provide pilot funding to explore combination therapy opportunities in Alzheimer's disease. Priority will be given to projects that: (1) Target biological mechanisms with a strong rationale for these mechanisms to be relevant in treating AD in combination, including but not limited to drugs that target multiple biological mechanisms such as, inflammatory response, protein homeostasis, energy utilization and mitochondria function, lipid/membrane repair, epigenetics, synaptic maintenance/neuroprotection and; (2) Explore the combination of two repurposed drugs; repurposing refers to studying compounds developed and/or approved to treat another disease or condition to determine safety/efficacy for treating other diseases. The letter of intent deadline is **May 20, 2016** and the application deadline is **August 10, 2016**. [More Information](#).

### American Diabetes Association, Pathway to Stop Diabetes

The Pathway to Stop Diabetes award supports innovative basic, clinical, translational, epidemiological, behavioral, or health services research relevant to any diabetes type, diabetes-related disease state, or diabetes complication. The association seeks exceptional candidates from a broad range of disciplines, including medicine, biology, chemistry, computing, physics, mathematics and engineering. The Pathway awards are available by institutional nomination only. The 2016 call for applications is currently open and the application deadline is **July 1, 2016**. [More Information](#).

### National Multiple Sclerosis Society Research Grants

The National Multiple Sclerosis Society welcomes applications for studies related to multiple sclerosis that may serve to advance the Society's mission of stopping MS progression, restoring function and improving quality of life, and preventing MS. The Society supports fundamental as well as applied studies, non-clinical or clinical in nature, including projects in patient management, care and rehabilitation. The application deadline is **August 3, 2016**. [More Information](#).

### Christopher & Dana Reeve Foundation, Quality of Life Grants Program

The Quality of Life Grants Program awards financial support to nonprofit organizations that mirror the Reeve Foundation's mission and recognizes projects and initiatives that foster community engagement, inclusion and involvement, while promoting health and wellness for individuals living with paralysis and their families. The Quality of Life Grants Program funds a wide array of programs that are organized in three key thematic areas: Actively Achieving, Bridging Barriers, or Caring and Coping (ABC's). Grants are awarded to organizations that address the needs of people living with paralysis caused by spinal cord and other injuries, diseases or birth conditions, including (but not limited to) stroke, spina bifida, multiple sclerosis, cerebral palsy and amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS). The Reeve Foundation gives special consideration to organizations that serve returning wounded military and their families, and to those that provide targeted services to diverse cultural communities. The application deadline is **August 15, 2016**. [More Information](#).

### Anthem Foundation, Healthy Generations Program

Anthem Foundation grant funding supports ongoing community health programs with proven and measurable outcomes. These include programs that provide services directly to people and those that change systems that transform health care. Anthem Foundation is committed to funding initiatives that positively affect the conditions addressed in their Healthy Generations program. Its areas of focus are based on the State Health Index, which incorporates public health data from the states Anthem's affiliates serve. By providing a snapshot of the major health issues in each state, the index helps us concentrate our energies. Currently, Anthem focuses on initiatives in these five areas: cardiac mortality; cancer prevention and smoking cessation; maternal and newborn health; diabetes prevention and management; and childhood and elderly obesity. The foundation also supports behavioral health efforts and programs that benefit people with disabilities. The application deadline is **August 19, 2016**. [More Information](#).

## FEATURED FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES (Cont.)

### National Institute of Health, Director's Pioneer Award Program (DP1)

The NIH Director's Pioneer Award initiative complements NIH's traditional, investigator-initiated grant programs by supporting individual scientists of exceptional creativity who propose pioneering and possibly transforming approaches to addressing major biomedical or behavioral challenges that have the potential to produce an unusually high impact on enhancing health, lengthening life, and reducing illness and disability. To be considered pioneering, the proposed research must reflect substantially different scientific directions from those already being pursued in the investigator's research program or elsewhere. The proposal deadline is **September 2, 2016**. [More Information](#).

### Fall 2016 Sanford Burnham Florida Translational Research Program (FTRP)

The goals of the FTRP are to implement a variety of innovative biochemical and cell-based assays to interrogate biological targets or processes for which there are limited selective and potent small-molecule modulators available; to execute high-throughput screens; and to develop lead compounds suitable for use in vivo. To meet these objectives the program seeks three types of early drug discovery project proposals: Concept or assay development projects for use in pre-therapeutic discovery via high-throughput screening; High-throughput screening (HTS)-ready assays; Validated hits for the discovery of pre-therapeutic lead compounds. The proposal deadline is **September 6, 2016**. [More Information](#).

### American Heart Association, Cardiovascular Genome-Phenome Study

The Cardiovascular Genome-Phenome Study (CVGPS) is a collaborative effort, spearheaded by the American Heart Association (AHA), to accelerate the future of cardiovascular medicine. CVGPS combines the power of long-term population studies with the precision of molecular analysis to unravel key distinctions between and within subgroups of patients. The discoveries it generates will point the way toward better-targeted, safer, and more effective treatments, based on a deeper understanding of patients' characteristics, including e.g. risk profiles and therapeutic needs. The CVGPS is a collaboration among AHA, Boston University (BU) and the University of Mississippi Medical Center (UMMC), the academic coordinating center homes, respectively, of the Framingham Heart Study (FHS) and the Jackson Heart Study (JHS). The Jackson Heart Study also involves Jackson State University (JSU) and Tougaloo College (TC) as partner institutions. The application deadline is **October 1, 2016**. [More Information](#).

### National Institutes of Health, NIH Director's Transformative Research Awards (R01)

The NIH Director's Transformative Research Awards complement NIH's traditional, investigator-initiated grant programs by supporting individual scientists or groups of scientists proposing groundbreaking, exceptionally innovative, original and/or unconventional research with the potential to create new scientific paradigms, establish entirely new and improved clinical approaches, or develop transformative technologies. Little or no preliminary data are expected. Projects must clearly demonstrate the potential to produce a major impact in a broad area of biomedical or behavioral research. The application deadline is **October 7, 2016**. [More Information](#).

### The DANA Foundation, Clinical Neuroscience Research Grant Program

The Clinical Neuroscience Research program tends to focus on: 1) translating promising animal model interventions or clinical observations for treating devastating brain conditions or injuries into small-scale studies in humans with these conditions to see if the intervention shows any effect, and designing neuroethical guidelines for such studies; 2) identifying functions of specific neurons and neural networks involved in brain diseases or injuries and developing therapeutic interventions to alter these; and 3) assessing outcomes of the effects of various therapies used to treat brain injuries, such as stroke. The program also occasionally considers studies of complex cognitive processes, such as creativity. Submissions are accepted on a rolling basis. [More Information](#).

## SELECT FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES BY DEADLINE

CoM Deadline	Requests for Applications / Proposals	Sponsor Deadline
4/22/2016	<b>Association of American Medical Colleges</b> Abraham Flexner Award for Distinguished Service to Medical Education <a href="#">More Information</a>	5/6/2016
4/25/2016	<b>Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health and Human Development</b> Outcome Measures for Use in Treatment Trials for Individuals with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (R01) <a href="#">PAR-13-213</a>	5/9/2016
4/25/2016	<b>National Institute on Aging</b> Aging Research Dissertation Awards to Increase Diversity (R36) <a href="#">PAR-13-152</a>	5/9/2016
4/26/2016	<b>Health Resources and Services Administration</b> Innovation in Care Integration for Children and Youth with Autism Spectrum Disorders and Other Developmental Disabilities <a href="#">HRSA-16-048</a>	5/10/2016
5/4/2016	<b>NIH - Multiple Institutions</b> International Research Ethics Education and Curriculum Development Award (R25) <a href="#">PAR-16-081</a>	5/18/2016
5/18/2016	<b>PCORI</b> Knowledge, Training and Development, and Dissemination Awards <a href="#">More Information</a>	LOI Deadline: 6/1/2016
5/20/2016	<b>National Institute of Mental Health</b> The Neural Mechanisms of Multi-Dimensional Emotional and Social Representation (R01) <a href="#">RFA-MH-17-300</a>	6/3/2016

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5/20/2016	<b>NIH - Multiple Institutes</b> Understanding Factors in Infancy and Early Childhood (Birth to 24 months) That Influence Obesity Development (R01) <u><a href="#">PA-16-169</a></u>	6/3/2016
5/20/2016	<b>NIH - Multiple Institutes</b> The Health of Sexual and Gender Minority (SGM) Populations (R01) <u><a href="#">PA-15-261</a></u>	6/3/2016
5/23/2016	<b>National Institute of General Medical Sciences</b> Modeling of Infectious Disease Agent Study Research Projects (R01) <u><a href="#">PA-16-107</a></u>	6/6/2016
5/23/2016	<b>National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases</b> Ancillary Studies to the NIDDK Intestinal Stem Cell Consortium (R01) <u><a href="#">PA-16-062</a></u>	6/6/2016
5/23/2016	<b>NIH - Multiple Institutes</b> Population Health Interventions: Integrating Individual and Group Level Evidence (R01) <u><a href="#">PA-16-146</a></u>	6/6/2016
5/23/2016	<b>National Institutes of Diabetes and Digestive Kidney Diseases</b> Advances in Polycystic Kidney Disease (R01) <u><a href="#">PA-16-159</a></u>	6/6/2016
5/23/2016	<b>NIH - Multiple Institutes</b> Diet and Physical Activity Assessment Methodology (R01) <u><a href="#">PA-16-167</a></u>	6/6/2016
5/23/2016	<b>NIH - Multiple Institutes</b> Education and Health: New Frontiers (R01) <u><a href="#">PAR-16-080</a></u>	6/6/2016

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5/23/2016	<p><b>Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health and Human Development</b> Spermatogenic Stem Cell Culture Systems to Preserve and Restore Reproductive Capacity in Males (R01) <a href="#"><u>PAR-16-114</u></a></p>	6/6/2016
5/23/2016	<p><b>NIH - Multiple Institutes</b> U.S.-China Program for Biomedical Collaborative Research (R01) <a href="#"><u>RFA-AI-16-006</u></a></p>	6/6/2016
5/30/2016	<p><b>NIH - Multiple Institutes</b> NIH Pathway to Independence Award (Parent K99/R00) <a href="#"><u>PA-16-077</u></a></p>	6/13/2016
6/2/2016	<p><b>NIH - Multiple Institutes</b> Education and Health: New Frontiers (R03) <a href="#"><u>PAR-16-079</u></a></p>	6/16/2016
6/2/2016	<p><b>National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases</b> Small Grants for New Investigators to Promote Diversity in Health-Related Research (R21) <a href="#"><u>PAR-16-064</u></a></p>	6/16/2016
6/2/2016	<p><b>NIH - Multiple Institutes</b> Improvement of Animal Models for Stem Cell-Based Regenerative Medicine (R21) <a href="#"><u>PAR-16-094</u></a></p>	6/16/2016
6/2/2016	<p><b>Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality</b> AHRQ Small Research Grant Program <a href="#"><u>PAR-15-147</u></a></p>	6/16/2016

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6/2/2016	<p><b>Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health and Human Development</b> Oocyte Mitochondrial Function in Relation to Fertility, Aging, and Mitochondrial Diseases (R21) <a href="#"><u>PA-16-087</u></a></p>	6/16/2016
6/2/2016	<p><b>National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases</b> Small Grants for New Investigators to Promote Diversity in Health-Related Research (R21) <a href="#"><u>PAR-16-064</u></a></p>	6/16/2016
6/2/2016	<p><b>NIH - Multiple Institutes</b> Understanding and Promoting Health Literacy (R21) <a href="#"><u>PAR-13-132</u></a></p>	6/16/2016
6/7/2016	<p><b>National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute</b> Strategies to Increase Delivery of Guideline-Based Care to Populations with Health Disparities (R01) <a href="#"><u>PAR-15-279</u></a></p>	6/21/2016
6/14/2016	<p><b>NIH - Multiple Institutes</b> Development of New Technologies and Bioengineering Solutions for the Advancement of Cell Replacement Therapies for Type 1 Diabetes (R43/R44) <a href="#"><u>RFA-DK-16-004</u></a></p>	6/28/2016
9/2/2016	<p><b>National Institute of General Medical Sciences</b> Institutional Research and Academic Career Development Awards (IRACDA) (K12) <a href="#"><u>PAR-16-103</u></a></p>	9/19/2016
9/19/2016	<p><b>National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases</b> Partnerships for Countermeasures Against Select Pathogens (R01) <a href="#"><u>RFA-AI-16-034</u></a></p>	10/3/2016

## 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 [bhodes@fsu.edu](mailto:bhodes@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](mailto:research@fsu.edu) for proposal preparation assistance.

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