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NIH Standard Due Dates

Cycle 3 began on September 25, 2017 and standard due dates for common mechanisms are as follows:
- R01 (renewals, resubmissions, revisions) - November 6
- K Series (renewals, resubmissions, revisions) - November 13
- R03, R21, R33, R34, R36 (renewals, resubmissions, revisions) - November 16
- F Series (all) - December 8

Cycle I will begin on January 25, 2018 and standard due dates for common mechanisms are as follows:
- R01 (new) - February 5
- K Series (new) - February 12
- R03, R21, R33, R34, R36 (new) - February 16
- R15 (all) - February 26
- R01 (renewals, resubmissions, revisions) - March 5
- K Series (renewals, resubmissions, revisions) - March 12
- R03, R21, R33, R34, R36 (renewals, resubmissions, revisions) - March 16
- F Series (all) - April 9

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: Publication of the Revised NIH Grants Policy Statement (Revised October 2017) for FY 2018

The National Institutes of Health (NIH) has issued a notice that announced the publication of the revised NIH Grants Policy Statement (NIHGPS, rev. October 2017). This revision is applicable to all NIH grants and cooperative agreements with budget periods beginning on or after October 1, 2017. This revision supersedes, in its entirety, the NIH Grants Policy Statement (November 2016) as a standard term and condition of award. Previous versions of the NIHGPS remain applicable as a standard term and condition for all NIH grants and cooperative agreements with budget periods that began prior to October 1, 2017. The NIHGPS provides both up-to-date policy guidance that serves as NIH standard terms and conditions of awards for grants and cooperative agreements, and extensive guidance to those who are interested in pursuing NIH grants. While this revision does not introduce any new material for the first time, it incorporates new and modified requirements, clarifies certain policies, and implements changes in statutes, regulations, and policies that have been implemented through appropriate legal and/or policy processes since the previous version of the NIHGPS dated November 2016. The document is available here. NOT-OD-18-005.

NIH: Guidance on the NIH Single IRB Policy

The National Institutes of Health (NIH) has issued two notices with guidance on the implementation of and exceptions to the NIH Single IRB Policy that goes into effect for competing grant applications with deadlines on or after January 25, 2018. NOT-OD-003, NOT-OD-004.
GRANTSMASTHIP

New NIH Podcast: “Understanding the Definition of a Clinical Trial and What That Means for You”

A new “All About Grants” podcast is now available, produced by the NIH Office of Extramural Research. In "Understanding the Definition of a Clinical Trial and What That Means for You", Dr. Mike Lauer, NIH deputy director for extramural research, discusses the NIH definition of a clinical trial, addresses community questions, and speaks to how changes to clinical trials policies will impact applicants and grantees. More Information.

FSU Office of Proposal Development Workshop: How to Write a Successful NIH Career Development Award (K Award)

The FSU Office of Proposal Development will be hosting a faculty workshop presented by the Assistant Vice President for Research and Director of Research and Sponsored Programs from the University of West Florida, Dr. Mark H. Roltsch, on How to Write a Successful NIH Career Development Award (K Award). This workshop will help FSU investigators better understand the different K award grant mechanisms and will propose strategies to optimize chances of funding, in order to successfully complete the challenging transition to established investigator. The workshop will be held November 14, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. Registration and More Information.

FSU Sponsored Research Administration Grants.gov Workspace Training

The current Grants.gov Legacy PDF Grant Application will retire on December 31, 2017. Going forward, Grants.gov users will apply through Workspace. In order to help with a smooth transition to the new system, FSU Sponsored Research Administration is offering training on how to register, apply, and submit a workspace application. The training session will take place November 15, 2017, 8:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. in the Dirac Instruction Lab 206. If you would like to attend, please RSVP to Tiffany Ritter (tiffany.ritter@fsu.edu).

FEATURED FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

FSU Council on Research and Creativity Competitive Proposal Programs

The FSU Council on Research and Creativity (CRC) offers eligible FSU Faculty grant programs requiring competitive review. Programs with upcoming application deadlines are listed below. More Information.

- Multidisciplinary Support (MDS) Program - December 7, 2017
- First Year Assistant Professor (FYAP) Program - December 14, 2017
- Arts & Humanities Program Enhancement Grant (AHPEG) Program - February 1, 2018
- Equipment and Infrastructure Enhancement Grant (EIEG) Program - February 1, 2018
- Planning Grant (PG) Program - February 22, 2018
- Small Grants Program - March 1, 2018

Congressionally Directed Medical Research Programs Funding for Fiscal Year 2017

The Fiscal Year 2017 Department of Defense Appropriations Act provides research funding for peer reviewed programs managed by the Department of Defense office of Congressionally Directed Medical Research Programs (CDMRP). Comprehensive Program Announcements will be released throughout 2017. The Program Announcements include detailed descriptions of funding mechanisms, evaluation criteria, submission requirements, and deadlines. All programs have a required Pre-Application. Each Program Announcement may be downloaded from the Grants.gov website (http://www.grants.gov), or the CDMRP website (http://cdmrp.army.mil) upon its release. Upcoming Pre-Application deadlines for these programs are as follows:

- Reconstructive Transplant Research Program, Concept Award - November 15, 2017
- Defense Medical Research and Development Program - November 20, 2017
- Breast Cancer Research Program, Era of Hope Scholar Award II - November 21, 2017
- Breast Cancer Research Program, Breakthrough Levels 1 and 2 Award II - November 21, 2017
- Psychological Health/Traumatic Brain Injury Research Program (PH/TBIRP), Applied Behavior Analysis Clinical Study Award - November 30, 2017
- Kidney Cancer Research Program (HRRP) - December 20, 2017
- Lupus Research Program (LRP) - December 21, 2017
FEATURED FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES (Cont.)

Alzheimer’s Drug Discovery Foundation Core Requests For Proposals
The Alzheimer’s Drug Discovery Foundation (ADDF) is currently accepting letters of intent (LOIs) for their Core Requests for Proposals. The four Core Requests for Proposals are:
- The Program to Accelerate Clinical Trials (PACT) RFP, which seeks to fund Phase 1 safety testing, Phase 2 biomarker-based, proof-of-concept pilot clinical trials, and IND-enabling studies.
- The Biomarkers Development RFP, which seeks to support the development and validation of novel and existing biomarkers that will enhance the design and performance of clinical trials for Alzheimer’s disease, related dementias, and cognitive aging.
- The Prevention Beyond the Pipeline RFP, which seeks to support comparative effectiveness research, clinical trials, and epidemiological studies that probe whether the use or choice of drugs alters the risk for dementia or cognitive decline.
- The Preclinical Drug Discovery RFP, which seeks to fund promising preclinical drug discovery for Alzheimer’s disease, related dementias, and cognitive aging.

The LOI deadline for all Core RFPs is November 17, 2017. More Information.

NSF Division of Molecular and Cellular Biosciences: Investigator-Initiated Research Projects
The National Science Foundation (NSF) Division of Molecular and Cellular Biosciences (MCB) supports quantitative, mechanistic, predictive, and theory-driven fundamental research designed to promote understanding of complex living systems at the molecular, subcellular, and cellular levels. While recognizing the need for thorough and accurate descriptions of biological complexes and pathways, the priority of the Division is to support work that advances the field by capturing the predictive power of mechanistic, quantitative, and evolutionary approaches. MCB is soliciting proposals in four core clusters: 1) Cellular Dynamics and Function, 2) Genetic Mechanisms, 3) Molecular Biophysics, and 4) Systems and Synthetic Biology. Typical research supported by MCB integrates theory and experimentation. Projects are particularly welcome that address the emerging areas of: multi-scale integration; transformative methods and resources (when driven by compelling biological questions); molecular and cellular evolution; the synthesis of life-like systems; and the quantitative prediction of the phenome from genomic information. The full proposal deadline is November 20, 2017. More Information.

Gerber Foundation Research Grants
The Gerber Foundation is accepting concept papers for health and/or nutrition-related research projects with the potential to have a significant impact on issues facing infants and young children from birth to three years of age. Grants of up to $350,000 will be awarded for research projects focused on care provider issues that, when implemented, will improve the health, nutrition, and/or developmental outcomes for infants and young children. In particular, the foundation is looking for practical solutions that can be easily and rapidly implemented on a broad scale within a predictable time frame to clinical application. Major target areas for research include new diagnostic tools that may be more rapid, more specific, more sensitive, and less invasive; new treatment regimens that are improved or novel, less stressful or painful, more targeted, have fewer side effects, and provide optimal dosing; symptom relief; preventative measures; assessment of deficiencies or excesses (vitamins, minerals, drugs, etc.); and risk assessment tools or measures for environmental hazards, trauma, etc. Preference is given to projects offering a substantial promise of meaningful advances in the prevention and treatment of diseases and those with broad applicability to the general population on a regional or national level. Concept papers must be received no later than December 1, 2017. More Information.

Doris Duke Charitable Foundation Clinical Scientist Development Award
The Doris Duke Clinical Scientist Development Award provides grants to junior physician scientists to facilitate their transition to independent clinical research careers. Pre-proposal applications are being sought from junior physician-scientist faculty conducting clinical research in any disease area. Competitive applicants are expected to have research experience and publication records consistent with the rank of assistant professor. In keeping with the wishes expressed in Doris Duke’s will, experiments that use animals or primary tissues derived from animals will not be supported by this program.
Grants of up to $495,000 over 3 years are available. The Pre-proposal application deadline is December 1, 2017. More Information.
FEATURED FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES (Cont.)

Rivkin Center for Ovarian Cancer Pilot Study Program

The Rivkin Center for Ovarian Cancer is announcing funds for approximately twelve Pilot Study Program awards to be allocated based on scientific merit. One-year awards at $75,000 each, Pilot Study Program awards will support investigator-initiated projects in all areas of ovarian cancer research. In addition, projects designed to analyze data from already funded clinical trials will be considered. Investigators at the assistant, associate or full professor level (or equivalent) are encouraged to apply. Funding priority will be given to proposals that are innovative, multidisciplinary, likely leading to submission of grant applications, and conveying translational research potential. The application deadline is December 1, 2017. More Information.

Macula Society 2017-2018 Research Grants

The purpose of the Macula Society Research Grant (MSRG) program is to provide funding for clinically relevant research into macular or retinal vascular diseases. Pilot projects with the potential to obtain additional external funding and projects coordinating the efforts of the general membership are preferred. There are three separate grants per year available to support research endeavors of the members of the Macula Society. Retina Research Foundation supports one grant of $30,000 and Regeneron supports two grants of $37,500. The funding of a proposal will be determined by the Research Committee depending on several criteria based upon (i) the project design (ii) the project feasibility (iii) the project significance. The proposed research must have the potential of increasing the understanding of macular or retinal diseases. The application deadline is December 1, 2017. More Information.

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Call for Proposals - Developing Solutions for Social Isolation in the United States: Learning From the World

With this call for proposals (CFP), the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (RWJF) is looking for the best ideas from around the world that address social isolation and promote positive, healthy social connections and well-being. RWJF will support projects that promote approaches developed outside the United States that address social isolation, across all stages and ages of life, in U.S. individuals, groups, and communities. Populations of interest include children, adolescents, young adults, mothers, and families at risk or isolated because of issues including religion, gender identity, race or ethnicity, health issues, disabilities, and/or trauma; those living in rural communities and/or communities with insufficient basic community infrastructure or who may otherwise be politically or structurally disempowered; and others who may be now or who are at risk to become socially isolated. Up to $2.5 million will be available for this funding opportunity. Projects may be up to three years in duration. The proposal deadline is December 21, 2017. More Information.

Collaborative Research in Computational Neuroscience Program (CRCNS)

Through the CRCNS program, the National Science Foundation (NSF), the National Institutes of Health (NIH), the German Federal Ministry of Education and Research (Bundesministerium für Bildung und Forschung, BMBF), the French National Research Agency (Agence Nationale de la Recherche, ANR), the United States-Israel Binational Science Foundation (BSF), and Japan’s National Institute of Information and Communications Technology (NICT) support collaborative activities that will advance the understanding of nervous system structure and function, mechanisms underlying nervous system disorders, and computational strategies used by the nervous system. Two classes of proposals will be considered in response to this solicitation: Research Proposals describing collaborative research projects, and Data Sharing Proposals to enable sharing of data and other resources. The proposal deadline is January 5, 2017. More Information.

American Academy of Family Physicians Foundation Joint Grant Award Program

The American Academy of Family Physicians Foundation is now accepting applications for the Joint Grand Awards Program. The Joint Grant Awards Program (JGAP) provides up to $50,000 for research projects of one- to two-years duration that have significant relevancy to Family Medicine. The program plays a major role in building research capacity by giving priority funding to new researchers or to those who mentor new investigators on the research team. Applications for smaller-scale studies with lower costs are also welcome. The application deadline is January 9, 2018. More Information.
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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](http://pivot.cos.com) 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](http://pivot.cos.com).

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[NIH Funding Opportunities and Notices Search Engine](http://pivot.cos.com)
[NIH Standard Due Dates for Competing Applications](http://pivot.cos.com)
[All About Grants Podcasts](http://pivot.cos.com) - Conversations with NIH staff members providing inside information for successful grantsmanship.
[NIH Extramural Nexus & Rock Talk Blog](http://pivot.cos.com) - News, updates and blog posts on extramural grant policies, processes, events and resources.

FSU Office of Research

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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 as 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 (3) business days in advance of the sponsor’s deadline. Please note that generally our office works on a first in, first out basis. 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 all the elements needed to assemble a complete proposal for SRA/FSURF no later than 10 business days before the sponsor’s deadline.

10-Day Advance Proposal Preparation Guidelines

Contact Med-RA at research@med.fsu.edu for proposal preparation assistance.

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