

Massachusetts General Hospital Corporate & Foundation Relations Office of Development

PRIVATE FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES: DEC 15, 2017

Please contact Corporate & Foundation Relations in the Office of Development at devcfr@mgh.harvard.edu if you wish to submit a proposal in response to any of these opportunities. Note that proposals are still routed through the standard InfoEd/Research Management process.

Please be aware that any grant that brings in less than <u>15% in indirect costs (IDC)</u> will need to be supplemented up to the 15% equivalent by existing investigator or departmental sundry funds. Resolution of this issue must occur prior to submitting a proposal. <u>Training fellowships</u> from foundations, public charity, and non-profit organizations <u>are excluded</u> from this minimum IDC requirement.

1. Neuroendocrine Tumor Research Foundation-AACR Grant, American Association for Cancer Research (AACR) New

The Neuroendocrine Tumor Research Foundation-AACR Grant represents a joint effort to promote and support innovative cancer research. This grant is available to independent junior and senior investigators to develop and study new ideas and innovative approaches that have direct application and relevance to neuroendocrine tumors. Proposed research may be in any discipline of basic, translational, or clinical cancer research.

Applications are invited from researchers currently in the field as well as investigators with experience in other areas of cancer or biomedical research who have promising ideas and approaches that can be applied to neuroendocrine tumor research.

Award Amount: \$250,000 paid over 2 years

Indirect Costs: None

Proposal Deadline: Jan 9, 2018

Website: http://www.aacr.org/Funding/Pages/Funding-Detail.aspx?ItemID=33#.WiXAFUtrzYU

2. Glenn Foundation for Medical Research Breakthroughs in Gerontology Award, American Federation for Aging Research (AFAR)

The BIG initiative provides timely support to a small number of research projects that are building on early discoveries that show translational potential for clinically-relevant strategies, treatments and therapeutics, addressing human aging and health span.



The following types of studies using one or more of these models will be considered:

- Human subjects
- Human cells and tissues
- Mice or other mammals.

Proposals using other types of models (i.e. yeast, drosophila melanogaster, c. elegans, etc.) will only be considered when there is compelling justification that these studies may be directly relevant to human health and aging (or "the human condition".)

Recipients of this award are expected to attend the AFAR Grantee Conference. The purpose of the meeting is to promote scientific and personal exchanges among recent AFAR grantees and experts in aging research.

Priority will be given to proposals that have a near-term potential for translation.

Award Amount: \$300,000 paid over 3 years

Indirect Costs: 8%

LOI Deadline: Jan 22, 2018

Website: http://www.afar.org/research/funding/big

3. ATA Research Grants, American Thyroid Association (ATA)

The American Thyroid Association (ATA) is pleased to announce the availability of funds to support new investigator initiated research projects in the area of thyroid function and disease. Topics may include, but are not limited to, Clinical Disorders of Thyroid Function, Iodine Uptake and Metabolism, Pediatric Thyroidology, Thyroid Autoimmunity, Thyroid Cancer, Thyroid Hormone Effect and Metabolism, Thyroid Hormone in Development and the Brain, Thyroid Imaging, Thyroid Nodules and Goiter, Thyroid and Pregnancy.

Research awards are intended to assist new investigators, US or international, in obtaining preliminary data for submission of a more substantial application (e.g. to the National Institutes of Health (NIH)).

Award Amount: \$57,500 paid over 2 years

Indirect Costs: 15%

Proposal Deadline: Jan 29, 2018

Website: http://www.thyroid.org/professionals/research-grants/

4. Making a Difference in Real-World Bioethics Dilemmas, Greenwall Foundation

The Foundation's bioethics grants program supports research to help resolve an important emerging or unanswered bioethics problem in clinical care, biomedical research, public health practice, or public policy. The Foundation's aim is to fund innovative projects that will have a real-world, practical impact.

While the Foundation welcomes all innovative proposals that will have a real-world impact, the Foundation is particularly interested in proposals that address the following priority topics:

- 1. Ethical and policy issues related to patient or clinician behavior that belittles or demeans other people during the provision of medical care. For example, patients may demean individual health care workers because of their ethnic or religious background, gender, or sexual orientation. Or health care workers may speak about patients or family members in similarly demeaning ways. Projects might address how to implement expectations regarding such behaviors or gather empirical data on the extent and impact of such behaviors. Collaborations addressing this priority topic might involve a bioethics scholar and, for example, a physician or nurse, or the leader of a health care organization.
- 2. Ethical and policy issues surrounding community-based responses to the opioid epidemic, including the role of faith-based groups in decreasing opioid abuse and responding to its consequences. Collaborations addressing this priority topic might involve a bioethics scholar and, for example, a clergy member who provides pastoral care to affected individuals and families, a leader of a community substance abuse program, or representatives of families affected by substance abuse.
- 3. Ethical and policy issues related to advances in biomedical research and the translation of innovative research into clinical practice, including:
 - a. Clinical trials of somatic cell human gene editing in serious diseases for which good treatments currently do not exist. Collaborations addressing this topic might involve a bioethics scholar and, for example, a scientist developing a specific clinical trial using human gene editing.
 - b. The increasing use of big data, precision medicine, and mobile health applications in clinical care and research. Collaborations addressing this topic might involve a bioethics scholar and, for example, a computer scientist developing mobile applications or working in big data analytics.
- 4. Ethical and policy issues related to healthcare access, costs, and resource allocation. Because healthcare access and affordability continue to be unresolved problems in the United States, the Foundation welcomes proposals that develop and implement innovative, practical approaches to these issues. Collaborations addressing this priority topic might involve a bioethics scholar and, for example, a leader in an organization with responsibility for providing or paying for care.
- 5. Ethical and policy issues related to operating within existing legal and regulatory frameworks, including those concerning public health; regulation of drugs, devices, biologics, tobacco, and food; privacy protections; and human subjects research. We are particularly interested in projects exploring novel and creative ways to operate within existing frameworks to achieve desirable ethical outcomes. We are also interested in projects that explore unaddressed ethical issues in the interpretation or implementation of laws and regulations. Collaborations addressing this priority topic might involve a

bioethics scholar and, for example, a government agency official or leader in an organization operating within the relevant legal framework.

Award Amount: Unspecified

Indirect Costs: 10% indirect costs to the grantee institution for salary and benefits only

LOI Deadline: Jan 8, 2018

Website: http://greenwall.org/making-a-difference-current-request-for-proposals.php