

PRIVATE FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES: JUL 22, 2016

Please contact Corporate & Foundation Relations in the Office of Development at <u>devcfr@mgh.harvard.edu</u> 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.

1. Research Initiatives: Basic Research Grants Program, Hereditary Disease Foundation

This program supports projects that contribute to identifying and understanding the fundamental defects in Huntington's disease (HD). The Foundation's current focus is on late-stage validation of mechanisms of HD pathogenesis with therapeutic potential.

The HDF funds innovative research ideas and helps shape them to maximize their impact. HDF helps launch new research projects, enabling scientists to subsequently apply for larger grants with the data they collect with HDF funding.

The HDF's programs are focused on understanding the cellular and molecular causes of Huntington's disease (HD) pathogenesis - with an eye to identifying approaches to therapeutic intervention. The data generated with HDF funding often allow investigators to apply successfully for much larger, long-term funding from other funding agencies, mainly the National Institutes of Health.

HDF is also willing to take informed risks with early-stage research, giving purchase to ideas that other funders would not fund.

Award Amount: \$50,000 for 1 year LOI Deadline: Oct 1, 2016 Website: <u>http://hdfoundation.org/research-initiatives/</u>

2. John J. Wasmuth Postdoctoral Fellowships, Hereditary Disease Foundation

The Fellowship is designed to advance the understanding of the cellular and molecular causes of Huntington's disease (HD). The Foundation's current focus is on late-stage validation of mechanisms of HD pathogenesis with therapeutic potential.

Fellowship applicants must present a specific research plan. The applicant's mentor must agree in advance to direct the proposed research. The Foundation cannot arrange laboratories and mentors for applicants.



Do you want to learn more about identifying external funding opportunities? See <u>ECOR's website</u> for information on the funding opps database, **COS Pivot** or contact Amy Robb <<u>arobb@mgh.harvard.edu</u>> to schedule an individual consultation or group training session. Award Amount: Up to \$100,000 LOI Deadline: Oct 1, 2016 Website: <u>http://hdfoundation.org/research-initiatives/</u>

3. Postdoctoral Research Fellowships, Life Sciences Research Foundation (LSRF)

The LSRF aims to identify and fund exceptional young scientists at a critical juncture of their training in all areas of basic life sciences, and to provide a high-quality peer-review service to anyone (individual, company, foundation) wishing to sponsor a fellow who shares their vision of important research. LSRF believesw that seminal advances in life sciences depend upon the training and support of the highest quality young scientists when they are embarking on exciting and adventuresome research as postdoctoral fellows. To promote this vision LSRF partners the best young scientists with diverse sponsors who share common interests.

There may be no more than one LSRF fellow in any one laboratory at a time. If a laboratory contains an LSRF fellow, an applicant intending to work in that particular lab would be eligible to apply only during the current fellow's final year. However, multiple applicants may apply from a lab which does not contain an LSRF fellow (but only one fellowship would be awarded). Applicants should verify this matter with their intended supervisor.

Award Amount: \$183,000 paid over 3 years Application Deadline: Oct 1, 2016 Website: <u>http://www.lsrf.org/apply</u>

4. Patient Care Program, Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation (GBMF)

The foundation is engaging the broader health care community to build capacity in the field of patient and family engagement.

The foundation will consider projects at every level of care - from community-based safety, chronic disease management and preference sensitive decision-making to approaches that may be specific to serious illness. Interests also extend beyond specific discrete interventions to policies and other scalable approaches that encourage and enable the engagement of patients, and their loved ones, in their health care.

Award Amount: \$150,000 paid over 3 years LOI Deadline: Aug 1, 2016 Website: <u>https://www.moore.org/article-detail?newsUrlName=moore-foundation-announcescall-for-early-career-investigators-in-patient-and-family-engagement</u>

5. Discovery Grants, National Psoriasis Foundation (NPF)

The NPF is seeking grant applications that encourage the advancement of innovative research into psoriasis, psoriatic arthritis, and related comorbidities. Discovery Grants fund researchers while they explore preliminary ideas and conduct proof-of-concept experiments. The goal is to stimulate the development of new research programs in the field of psoriatic disease capable of competing for long-term funding from the National Institutes of Health or other agencies in the future. Applications related to all aspects of psoriatic disease are strongly encouraged, including basic science, technology, epidemiology, and clinical research. Prospective applicants are encouraged to review the recent publication identifying research gaps in psoriasis to identify relevant research topics. The research need not take place in the United States

Award Amount: \$75,000 Application Deadline: Oct 12, 2016 Website: <u>http://www.psoriasis.org/grants</u>

6. Translational Research Grants, National Psoriasis Foundation (NPF)

The NPF is seeking grant applications that encourage the advancement of innovative research into psoriasis and psoriatic arthritis. These grants fund research initiatives that focus on the rapid translation of basic scientific discoveries into clinical applications with a clear benefit for patients with psoriatic disease. Applications related to all aspects of psoriatic disease are strongly encouraged, including basic science, technology, epidemiology, and clinical research. Prospective applicants are encouraged to review the recent publication identifying research gaps in psoriasis to identify relevant research topics. The research need not take place in the United States.

Award Amount: \$200,000 paid over 2 years Application Deadline: Oct 12, 2016 Website: <u>https://www.psoriasis.org/grants</u>

7. Bridge Grants, National Psoriasis Foundation (NPF) New

The NPF is offering these grants to support researchers who have submitted meritorious but unfunded K- and R- applications to the National Institute of Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases (NIAMS) with a focus on psoriatic disease or related comorbidities. Through this special opportunity, NPF intends to provide a critical year of additional support to near-miss applicants so that they can collect data to strengthen a future application. In line with NPF's mission, the grants will provide an important life-line to help support long-term careers of psoriatic disease researchers who will go on to make discoveries that bring us closer to a cure for psoriatic disease and improve patients' lives. The project proposed must have been submitted as an unfunded application for either a K- or R- award to NIAMS focused on psoriasis, psoriatic arthritis, or related comorbidities. Award Amount: \$100,000 paid over 2 years Application Deadline: Continuous Website: <u>https://www.psoriasis.org/grants</u>

8. Public Health Challenge Grant, National Psoriasis Foundation (NPF) New

The NPF is seeking grant applications that encourage the advancement of innovative research into psoriasis, psoriatic arthritis, and related comorbidities. The grant will support research that uses existing data sources to address questions related to the public health of psoriatic disease. Priority will be given to applications that address research areas identified in the CDC Public Health Agenda for Psoriasis and Psoriatic Arthritis. These include, but are not limited to: advancing our understanding of the age of onset of psoriatic disease, comorbidities, burden, cost, natural history, pediatric burden, prescription drug use, and disease treatment and control. Applicants are encouraged to carefully review the public health agenda1 and related short paper before applying. The research need not take place in the United States. Project proposals must rely on existing data sources for their analyses.

Award Amount: \$75,000 Application Deadline: Oct 12, 2016 Website: <u>https://www.psoriasis.org/grants</u>

9. WFH Clinical Research Grant Program, World Federation of Hemophilia

The program provides support for international clinical investigation relating to inherited bleeding disorders. The aim is to help create better evidence for the clinical management of hemophilia A and B, von Willebrand disease, rare factor deficiencies, and inherited platelet disorders. The program will award grants for the best proposals that address critical clinical issues of broad international significance.

The grants will be awarded to projects that best align with the following criteria:

- Importance of the research for clinical management of inherited bleeding disorders
- Feasibility for generating new information
- Novelty of the research objectives
- Experience of the investigator/team of investigators
- Soundness of the study design
- Feasibility of completing the research within proposed timeframe and budget

The grant competition is open to a broad range of topics relating to the clinical management of inherited bleeding disorders. Ideally, the research question should be of interest and be of significant benefit to bleeding disorders patients represented by the WFH.

The following list is intended to provide guidance of the type of research proposals that might be submitted.

Research priorities:

- Prophylaxis schedules
- Inhibitor diagnosis and management
- Optimal use of adjunctive therapies
- Care of the neonate with hemophilia
- Management of chronic hemophilic arthropathy
- Care of hemophilia carriers
- Pain management
- Role of physical activity in hemophilia care
- Management of special bleeds (e.g. ileopsoas, renal)
- Role of arthrocentesis in hemophilia care
- Management of cardiovascular disease in hemophilia
- von Willebrand disease and rare bleeding disorders

Award Amount: Up to \$100,000 for 2 years

LOI Deadline: Feb 1, 2017 Website: <u>http://www.wfh.org/en/our-work/wfh-clinical-research-grant-program</u>