

Limited Submission Funding Opportunities – updated 8/13/21

Please be aware that any grant that brings in less than 15% in indirect costs (IDC) 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. Training fellowships from foundations, public charity, and non-profit organizations are excluded from this minimum IDC requirement.

For MGH investigators selected through a competitive process as the institutional nominee for any limited submission funding opportunities, in situations in which the grant will bring in less than 15% indirect cost (IDC), ECOR will cover the IDC gap up to a maximum of \$50,000 per year. In order to optimize the distribution of limited ECOR funds across the MGH research community, it is expected that PIs and departments will work together to cover the remaining IDC shortfall.

This policy is only effective for those limited submission opportunities in which MGH is invited to submit its own nominee(s). This policy does not apply for those limited submission opportunities in which the MGH investigator must apply through HMS.

For further questions, please contact ECOR at ecor@mgh.harvard.edu

We ask that all MGH Investigators interested in applying for any limited submission award submit a Letter of Intent (see detailed instructions below) to the MGH Executive Committee on Research (ECOR) by the deadline indicated for each award to be considered to receive an institutional nomination.

Process

Submit a one- to two-page Letter of Intent (LOI) to the MGH Executive Committee on Research (ECOR) via email to ecor@mgh.harvard.edu. In addition to your LOI, please include an NIH Biosketch.

The letter of intent should include:

1. Name of the Principal Investigator with appropriate contact information
2. A descriptive title of the potential application
3. Brief description of the project
4. Brief description of why you specifically should be selected to receive institutional nomination for this award

In the event that there is more than one MGH investigator interested in applying for a limited submission award, the LOIs will be used to assess candidates and a review and selection process will take place.

If there is a limited submission funding opportunity you do not see listed below or you have any additional questions, please let us know at ecor@mgh.harvard.edu.

CURRENT OPPORTUNITIES

1. Centers for HIV Structural Biology (U54 Clinical Trial Not Allowed)

<https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-AI-21-030.html>

MGH LOI Deadline: 8/16/21

NIH LOI Deadline: 9/13/21

NIH Application Deadline: 10/13/21

The purpose of this Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) is to support dynamic, multidisciplinary consortia of structural biologists, virologists, and computational scientists to resolve complex biological structures relevant to HIV prevention, treatment, and cure. The consortia are expected to leverage common resources, facilitate new collaborations, and engage and support the next generation of HIV structural biology researchers.

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2. Cardiovascular Biorepository for Type 1 Diabetes (U24 Clinical Trial Not Allowed) – NEW!

<https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-DK-21-010.html>

MGH LOI Deadline: 8/24/21

NIH LOI Deadline: 9/20/21

NIH Application Deadline: 10/20/21

This Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) invites a single cooperative agreement application for a data coordinating center that first establishes a biorepository of human cardiovascular (CV) tissue and then serves as a coordinating center resource for discovery and mechanistic research to increase our knowledge of the CV complications of type 1 diabetes (T1D). Cardiovascular disease (CVD) is the leading cause of death and morbidity for individuals with T1D, but no T1D-specific therapy exists to prevent or treat this complication of diabetes because of challenges from inadequate preclinical models, decades-long disease progression and poorly defined differences in pathogenesis compared to type 2 diabetes (T2D). The FOA will support a two-phase research plan to encourage the use of human CV tissue to overcome these challenges. The goal of the first phase is to establish a biorepository through 1) the collection and storage of human cadaveric tissues from donors with T1D, T2D, and without diabetes; 2) the performance of quality control and basic histopathologic examination; and 3) the creation of a process for distribution of the biosamples and data to qualified investigators. The goal of the second phase is to serve as a coordinating center resource for investigators seeking to perform a multimodal analysis to deeply phenotype the anatomical, cellular, and molecular composition of the tissues and make the results available in a public data portal.

3. Genome Research Experiences to Attract Talented Undergraduates into the Genomics Field to Enhance Diversity (R25 Clinical Trial Not Allowed) – NEW!

<https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-HG-21-033.html>

MGH LOI Deadline: 10/01/21

NIH LOI Deadline: 11/01/21

NIH Application Deadline: 12/01/21

The NIH Research Education Program (R25) supports research education activities in the mission areas of the NIH. The overarching goal of this NHGRI R25 program is to support educational activities that encourage undergraduates from diverse backgrounds, including those from groups underrepresented in the biomedical workforce, to pursue further training and careers in the scientific, medical, ethical, social and/or legal areas of genomics research.

To accomplish the stated over-arching goal, this FOA will support creative educational activities with a primary focus on:

- Research Experiences
- Courses for Skills Development

This Genome Research Experiences to Attract Talented Undergraduates into the Genomic Field to Promote Diversity (GREAT) Program will support collaborative institutional partnerships that provide research education programs for undergraduates enrolled at minority-serving institutions (MSIs) or Institutional Development Award (IDeA)-eligible institutions. A partnership will include a MSI or IDeA-eligible institution, and one or more research-intensive institutions or organizations with a suitable research base for graduate-level training in scientific areas of interest to NHGRI.