



FOUNDATION FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES: AUGUST 20, 2021

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 **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.

The MGB **Proposal Deadline Policy** establishes internal deadlines for sponsored research proposals to ensure that submissions meet sponsor criteria and institutional/regulatory requirements. Deadlines are:

- The complete Administrative Components are due to Research Management (RM) on or before the **8th Business Day** by 5 PM.
- The Final (Science) Components are due to RM on or before the **3rd Business Day**.

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1. Alzheimer's Disease Research (ADR): Postdoctoral Fellowship Awards, BrightFocus Foundation

Postdoctoral fellowship awards are intended for young researchers in their final stages of mentored training. These awards fund projects in an established laboratory that will serve as the basis for the applicant's own independent research career.



Do you want to learn more about identifying external funding opportunities? Please [click here](#) to request a research consultation with **Amy Robb** or see ECOR's website for information on the [Pivot database](#).

Eligibility requirements (partial list):

- Fellowships are limited to researchers within 5 years of doctoral degree conferral (or end of residency).

Citizenship: Unrestricted

Award Amount: \$200,000 paid over 2 years

Indirect Costs: None

Research Management Deadline: October 20, 2021

Application Deadline: November 1, 2021

Website: <http://www.brightfocus.org/grants/types-grants>

2. Alzheimer's Disease Research (ADR): Standard Awards, BrightFocus Foundation

The standard award provides significant funding for researchers who have already generated some amount of preliminary data, but are often required to demonstrate additional, significant progress before they can apply to governmental or industrial funding agencies.

Citizenship: Unrestricted

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

Indirect Costs: None

Research Management Deadline: October 20, 2021

Application Deadline: November 1, 2021

Website: <https://www.brightfocus.org/grants/types-grants>

3. National Glaucoma Research (NGR): Postdoctoral Fellowship Awards **NEW!**

BrightFocus accepts investigator initiated proposals related to developing treatments, preventions, and cures for glaucoma, macular degeneration, and Alzheimer's disease.

Postdoctoral fellowship awards are intended for young researchers in their final stages of mentored training. This fellowship is available to researchers within four years of degree conferral or end of residency or fellowship.

Eligibility requirements (partial list):

- Postdoctoral Fellowships are available to junior and senior postdoctoral fellows. Applicants with pending appointments are eligible to apply, but the appointment must be finalized by the start of the award.
- The proposal should be initiated by the postdoctoral fellow and not the supervisor.
- In the event that a senior postdoctoral fellow becomes an independent investigator during the duration of the award, the balance of the award may be transferred to the new position at the discretion of the BrightFocus Foundation. In this case, an assurance

that the original specific aims would be addressed in the new position would be required.

Citizenship: Unrestricted

Award Amount: \$150,000 paid over 2 years

Indirect Costs: None

Research Management Deadline: October 14, 2021

Application Deadline: October 26, 2021

Website: <https://www.brightfocus.org/grants/types-grants>

4. National Glaucoma Research (NGR): Standard Awards, BrightFocus Foundation

BrightFocus accepts investigator initiated proposals related to developing treatments, preventions, and cures for glaucoma, macular degeneration, and Alzheimer's disease.

BrightFocus Foundation awards grants for basic, translational, and clinically oriented research on the causes of, or treatments for, age-related and degenerative diseases. Grants are awarded on the basis of the scientific merit of the proposed research and the relevance of the research to understanding aspects of the disease that lead to improved treatments, prevention strategies, and diagnoses of the program disease.

Eligibility requirements (partial list):

- Though BrightFocus continues to encourage innovative proposals from all career stages, BrightFocus' guidelines have evolved with the field to extend eligibility to non-tenure-track applicants as well. Non-tenure-track positions are welcome to apply for funding if they are appropriately trained to lead an independent research study, and are permitted by their organizations to manage the grant and supervise any key personnel.
- Applicants should have completed their formal post-doctoral mentored research training, and must be the intellectual and creative leads for the proposed projects.
- Applicants with pending appointments are eligible to apply, but the appointment must be finalized by the start of the award.

Citizenship: Unrestricted

Award Amount: \$200,000 paid over 2 years

Indirect Costs: None

Research Management Deadline: October 14, 2021

Application Deadline: October 26, 2021

Website: <https://www.brightfocus.org/grants>

5. Packaging Design QuickFire Challenge: Unit Dose Technologies, Johnson & Johnson (J&J)

To inspire innovators to bring potentially groundbreaking unit dose packaging options to the market – with a focus on child-resistant, user-friendly, non-reclosable designs - Johnson &

Johnson Innovation together with the packaging innovation team within Johnson & Johnson Consumer Inc. is launching the Packaging Design QuickFire Challenge: Unit Dose Technologies. Potential innovations can include both solids (tablets, capsules and powders) and liquids (solutions and suspensions) in unit-dose formats (e.g. blisters, sachets and stick packs). Primary and secondary packaging or combination of the two are in scope of the challenge.

Citizenship: Unspecified

Award Amount: \$100,000 for 1 year

Indirect Costs: Unspecified

Research Management Deadline: October 5, 2021

Application Deadline: October 15, 2021

Website: <https://jllabs.jnjinnovation.com/quickfire-challenges/packaging-design-quickfire-challenge#paragraph-15986>

6. Emerging Researcher Grant, Cerebral Palsy Alliance/Research Foundation of Cerebral Palsy Alliance

The Foundation is committed to fund the world's best and brightest researchers to find ways to improve current interventions and ultimately find a prevention and cure for cerebral palsy. These grants are developed to support emerging researchers who are seeking to establish careers in cerebral palsy research. Research topic must contribute to the field of cerebral palsy research.

Overarching requirements for emerging researchers are demonstrated research capability and a desire to establish a career in the field of cerebral palsy research. Applicants should detail the extent to which this grant will support them as an independent researcher and how it will enable a step change in their career. Note that the award can be seen as seeding funding for the applicant's future research.

Citizenship: Unrestricted

Award Amount: \$75,000 paid over 2 years

Indirect Costs: None

LOI Deadline: September 12, 2021

Research Management Deadline: October 19, 2021

(Invited) Application Deadline: November 7, 2021

Website: <https://cerebralpalsy.org.au/our-research/get-involved-research/our-grants-program/>

7. Project Grants, Research Foundation of Cerebral Palsy Alliance/Cerebral Palsy Alliance

The Research Foundation of Cerebral Palsy Alliance Project Grants are available for all researchers who want to work to accelerate progress in the field of cerebral palsy research.

The aim of this funding scheme is to support scientific excellence and innovative research into cerebral palsy.

Eligibility requirements (partial list):

- Applicants should be researchers who wish to build their reputation in the field of cerebral palsy, deepening their knowledge and experience.
- Applicants are also strongly encouraged to nominate junior researchers as chief investigators in their applications to foster upcoming researchers in the field of cerebral palsy research.

Citizenship: Unrestricted

Award Amount: \$225,000 paid over 5 years

Indirect Costs: None

LOI Deadline: September 12, 2021

Research Management Deadline: October 19, 2021

(Invited) Application Deadline: November 7, 2021

Website: <https://cerebralpalsy.org.au/our-research/get-involved-research/our-grants-program/>

8. Translational Research Grants, Usher Syndrome Society

The “Usher Syndrome Society Translational Research Grants” are intended to support translational research on Usher syndrome in either Preclinical Research and/or Mechanism--based Therapeutic Development. The Usher Syndrome Society has committed to funding research projects that include well--documented research collaborations across sensory modalities and across scientific disciplines.

To fulfill the goal of “timely and efficient translation”, USS Translational Research Grants are intended to support translational research on Usher syndrome within the domains of:

1. Preclinical Research, encompassing basic science research with a direct link to the clinical population (human genetics, patient tissue, iPSC, humanized animal models).
2. Mechanism-based Therapeutic Development, focused on novel disease modifying therapeutic modalities utilizing in vitro or in vivo preclinical models.

Citizenship: Unrestricted

Award Amount: \$200,000 paid over 2 years

Indirect Costs: None

LOI Deadline: August 27, 2021

Research Management Deadline: October 5, 2021

(Invited) Application Deadline: October 15, 2021

Website: <https://www.ushersyndromesociety.org/research-grants/>