



PRIVATE FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES: OCT 28, 2016

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.

1. Global Clinical Trials Fund, Alzheimer's Research UK (ARUK)

The Global Clinical Trials Fund supports clinical trials that have potential to be of benefit to dementia patients. Lead applicants and trial sites can be from the UK or international.

The remit of this scheme covers:

- Studies that aim to demonstrate target engagement, Phase I or Phase II clinical trials undertaken to ascertain the potential safety and efficacy of (novel or re-purposed) drug-based interventions in human subjects.
- Clinical trials of non-drug based, complex interventions.
- Opportunities for research 'add ons' to ongoing clinical trials (e.g. biomarker add-ons).

This scheme is not designed to cover:

- Interventions or devices for 'assisted living' or for care management.
- Observational/biomarker clinical studies - UK-based applications covering these are acceptable through Alzheimer's Research UK's other grant schemes (for which there must be a UK-based lead applicant). However, please note that biomarker studies can be included in an application to the Global Clinical Trials Fund as primary and/or secondary outcome measures of drug action or if considered as add-ons to ongoing clinical trials.

Award Amount: £5 Million GBP

Indirect Costs: Unpublished

Expression of Interest Deadline: Dec 7, 2016

Website: <http://www.alzheimersresearchuk.org/grants/global-clinical-trials-fund/>

2. Emerging Leader Award, Bay Area Lyme Foundation

The award recognizes up-and-coming researchers bringing new approaches and creative thinking to the field of Lyme disease. The grant supports new and innovative projects and aims to attract aspiring new scientific talent to the field of Lyme.



Do you want to learn more about identifying external funding opportunities? See [ECOR's website](#) for information on the funding opps database, **COS Pivot** or contact Amy Robb <arobb@mgh.harvard.edu> to schedule an individual consultation or group training session.

Candidates must be early in their professional careers with demonstrated leadership and focused research objectives.

Award Amount: \$100,000 for up to 18 months

Indirect Costs: 5%

Application Deadline: Feb 15, 2017

Website: <http://www.bayarealyme.org/our-research/emerging-leader-award/>

3. Special Project Award, Bayer AG

The Bayer Hemophilia Awards Program demonstrates Bayer's commitment to the bleeding disorders community and to advancing the state of the art of hemophilia care. The Special Project Award is designed to support a wide range of research projects in the field of hemophilia. Examples of the types of projects that might be considered for these awards include, but are not limited to, those related to:

- Clinical research
- Basic research
- Assessment and intervention in psychosocial issues facing patients and their families
- Assessment of quality of life and other health economic outcomes in patients with bleeding disorders, and the effects of treatment modalities on such outcomes.

The Award is designed to encourage hypothesis-driven research, where the investigator is attempting to prove or disprove a set of assumptions. It is not designed to support studies such as the collection of epidemiological data.

Award Amount: Up to \$200,000 for 1-2 years

Indirect Costs: Unpublished

LOI Deadline: Nov 30, 2016

Website: http://www.bayer-hemophilia-awards.com/awards/?view=special_project_awards

4. Fellowship Project Award, Bayer AG

The Program demonstrates Bayer's commitment to the bleeding disorders community and to advancing the state of the art of hemophilia care. This award is intended to facilitate the development of clinical and research expertise in the field of hemophilia for applicants who have completed medical training and have an interest in pursuing a career as a hemophilia clinician. The award will support a mentored physician for two years, who will be expected to undertake both a research project as well as clinical training.

Award Amount: \$160,000 paid over 2 years

Indirect Costs: Unpublished

LOI Deadline: Nov 30, 2016

Website: http://www.bayer-hemophilia-awards.com/awards/?view=clinical_training_award

5. Request for Blepharospasm/Meige Research Proposals, Benign Essential Blepharospasm Research Foundation, Inc. (BEBRF)

Funds are available for support of research directly related to blepharospasm or Meige's Syndrome, both forms of cranial dystonia. Research proposals must relate specifically to benign essential blepharospasm and Meige to include new treatments, pathophysiology and genetics, photophobia and dry eye.

Award Amount: \$150,000

Indirect Costs: Unpublished

Application Deadline: Aug 31, 2017

Website: <http://www.blepharospasm.org/research-request.html>

6. CURE Taking Flight Award, CURE, Citizens United for Research in Epilepsy

CURE seeks to promote the careers of young investigators to allow them to develop a research focus independent of their mentor(s).

Researchers may propose basic or clinical studies, but this award mechanism is not intended to support clinical trials. Research that involves collaboration and a multidisciplinary approach is desirable. Applicant will be required to discuss how this avenue of research is independent from his or her mentor's research, and will lead him or her to a path of independent epilepsy research.

CURE encourages studies that will provide new directions for epilepsy therapy, prevention and, ultimately, a cure and that will allow applicants to collect the data necessary to support a National Institutes of Health grant application.

Award Amount: \$100,000 for 1 year

Indirect Costs: None

LOI Deadline: Nov 16, 2016

Website: http://www.cureepilepsy.org/research/grant_flight.asp

7. Program Grants, FRAXA Research Foundation

FRAXA's grants aim to encourage research aimed at finding a specific treatment for fragile X syndrome. FRAXA's goal is to bring practical treatment into current medical practice as quickly as possible; therefore, preference will be given to research projects that have a clear practical application and the results of which will be shared in a timely fashion.

FRAXA invites investigator-initiated research applications for innovative pilot studies aimed at developing and characterizing new therapeutic approaches for the treatment and ultimate cure of fragile X syndrome. These are flexible grants, but FRAXA expects that this program will be much more competitive than in the past, since fewer grants will be awarded. Grants are given

based on innovation and translational relevance: clinical trials are FRAXA's highest priority, followed by preclinical research (i.e., rescue of animal models) and translational research, in descending order. Any application with low translational relevance will be streamlined out without review; FRAXA is not able to fund basic science applications in this program.

Award Amount: \$100,000

Indirect Costs: None

LOI Deadline: Jan 15, 2017

Website: <http://www.fraxa.org/research/apply/>

8. OHF Global Registry Initiative, Oxalosis and Hyperoxaluria Foundation (OHF) New

This is a call for proposals to develop international collaborative patient registries and databases to identify the determinants of the clinical manifestations and prognosis of patients with primary hyperoxaluria.

As part of its wider mission to improve the understanding and treatment of primary hyperoxaluria (PH) and related calcium oxalate kidney stone diseases, the OHF is interested in receiving proposals from scientists and clinicians that address the issue of the influence of genetic, cultural, and environmental background on the clinical manifestations and prognosis of patients with PH. To this end, financial support will be given to international collaborative projects that develop and make use of well-defined patient cohorts covering a wide range of genetic and cultural backgrounds.

Possible questions to be addressed include, but are not limited to, 1) the influence of urinary oxalate level and other urine parameters on renal outcomes, 2) the influence of dietary intake on urinary oxalate level and renal outcomes, and 3) genotype-phenotype correlations within and between PH types. In countries where no such databases exist, the OHF is willing to provide funding to help local clinicians and scientists to organize collections of PH patient information into standardized registries and databases and to make this information available for approved research projects which address the issues above. A required element of a successful response to this proposal will be a detailed data sharing plan for key data elements that are collected under this program.

Successful proposals will benefit clinicians in treating PH patients and provide a framework for the evaluation of existing and potential new therapies.

Award Amount: \$60,000 for 1-2 years

Indirect Costs: 10%

Application Deadline: Continuous

Website: <http://ohf.org/grants-funding/>

9. Grants, Paralyzed Veterans of America (PVA)/PVA Education Foundation

The Foundation was created in 1976 to fund innovative educational projects designed to benefit individuals with spinal cord injury or diseases and their families, caregivers, and healthcare professionals.

Proposals submitted for consideration of funding should be designed to educate, serve, and benefit entire communities of individuals with spinal cord injury or diseases of the spinal cord rather than just individual project participants. Approved proposals should have the potential to provide broad based educational opportunities rather than limited benefits to specific project participants. Potential replication of project proposals and effective dissemination plans are key elements of any proposal in order to achieve maximum educational benefit of Board approved and funded projects.

FUNDING CATEGORIES

The Foundation generally supports five types of projects.

1. Consumer, Caregiver, and Community Education

- Demonstration projects that seek to improve the health, independence, and quality of life of individuals with spinal cord injury or disease (SCI/D).

2. Professional Development and Education

- Programs that improve the knowledge and competencies of professionals providing health care and related services to the SCI/D community; or
- Fellowship/traineeship programs for professionals providing health care and related services to the SCI/D community.

3. Research Utilization and Dissemination

- Projects that translate research findings in to practice.

4. Assistive Technology

- Demonstration projects that improve the identification, selection, and use of assistive devices by people with SCI/D.

5. Conferences and Symposia

- Meetings that provide education and opportunities for collaboration among members of the SCI/D community.

Award Amount: \$50,000 for 1 year

Indirect Costs: 8%

Full Proposal Deadline: Feb 1, 2017

Website:

http://www.pva.org/site/c.ajIRK9NjLcJ2E/b.6305829/k.6E40/PVA_Education_Foundation.htm