

Limited Submission Funding Opportunities – updated 3/29/24

Please be aware that any grant that brings in less than 20% in indirect costs (IDC) will need to be supplemented up to the 20% 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 20% 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@mgc.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@mgc.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@mgc.harvard.edu.

CURRENT OPPORTUNITIES

1. Assessment of Climate at Institutions (Act) Award (RC2 – Clinical Trial Not Allowed)

The objective of this Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) is to solicit applications to conduct institutional climate assessments using validated survey instruments and to develop action plans for positive change in the recruitment, hiring, retention, and advancement of faculty, including those from groups underrepresented in biomedical and behavioral research (see [NIH Interest in Diversity](#)).

The plans for self-studies should lead to institutional culture change by identifying perceptions, attitudes, and concerns, about, for example, inequities, micro-aggressions, institutional racism, and bias. The self-studies should provide a foundation for the development of an action plan to enhance diversity, equity,

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inclusion, and accessibility (DEIA) outcomes in the recruitment, hiring, retention, and advancement of faculty.

MGH LOI Deadline: 4/01/24

NIH LOI Deadline: 6/03/24

NIH Application Deadline: 7/01/24

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2. Medical Scientist Training Program (MSTP) (T32)

The goal of the Medical Scientist Training Program (MSTP) is to develop a diverse pool of well-trained clinician-scientist leaders available to address the nation's biomedical research needs. Specifically, this funding announcement provides support to eligible, domestic organizations to develop and implement effective, evidence-informed approaches to dual-degree training and mentoring that will keep pace with the rapid evolution of the biomedical research enterprise and lead to the completion of both a clinical degree (for example, M.D., D.O., D.V.M., D.D.S., Pharm.D., etc.) and a research doctorate degree (Ph.D.).

With the dual qualifications of a rigorous scientist and clinician, graduates will be equipped with the skills to develop research programs that accelerate the translation of research advances to the understanding, detection, treatment, and prevention of human disease, and to lead the advancement of biomedical research. Areas of particular importance to NIGMS are optimizing training efficiency, fostering the persistence of alumni in research careers, and enhancing the diversity of the clinician-scientist workforce. NIGMS expects that the proposed research training program will incorporate didactic, research, mentoring and career development elements to prepare trainees for careers that will have a significant impact on the health-related research needs of the nation.

This Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) does not allow appointed Trainees to lead an independent clinical trial but does allow them to obtain research experience in a clinical trial led by a mentor or co-mentor.

MGH LOI Deadline: 4/08/24

NIH Application Deadline: 5/25/24

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3. Collaborative Program Grant for Multidisciplinary Teams (RM1 – Clinical Trial Optional)

This Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) is designed to support highly integrated research teams of three to six Program Directors/Principal Investigators (PDs/PIs) to address ambitious and challenging research questions that are within the mission of NIGMS. Project goals should not be achievable with a collection of individual efforts or projects. Collaborative program teams are expected to accomplish goals that require considerable synergy and managed team interactions. Teams are encouraged to consider far-reaching objectives that will produce major advances in their fields.

This FOA is not intended for applications that are mainly focused on the creation, expansion, and/or maintenance of community resources, creation of new technologies, or infrastructure development.

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MGH LOI Deadline: 4/11/24

NIH LOI Deadline: 4/29/24

NIH Application Deadline: 5/29/24

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4. Nathan Shock Centers Coordinating Center (U24 Clinical Trial Not Allowed) – NEW!

This Notice of Funding Opportunity Announcement (NOFO) invites U24 applications to develop and maintain a Nathan Shock Centers Coordination Center (NSC3). The goal of the NSC3 is to provide logistical and organization support of the Nathan Shock Centers of Excellence in Basic Biology of Aging (NSC). Applicants should be familiar with NSC activities, but they do not need to be part of an NSC. Major activities of the proposed NSC3 will include improving visibility of the NSC nationally and internationally, improving collaboration and coordination among NSC, enhancing NSC training activities, facilitating the sharing of resources, and interacting with NIA and NSC to develop strategies and plans for further development. The successful application will include a plan to improve transparency and the interactions of NSC with the research community. It should also leverage existing bioinformatics resources. The NSC3 director will be a participant in the NIA's Research Centers Collaborative Network (RCCN).

MGH LOI Deadline: 4/22/24

NIH LOI Deadline: 5/15/24

NIH Application Deadline: 6/15/24

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