Research Funding Opportunities – deadlines **OCTOBER 2014**

Listed in alphabetical order, the following private organizations are offering one or more funding opportunities. For details on a specific opportunity click on the corresponding hyperlink below:

- ALS Therapy Alliance
- American Lung Cancer Foundation **
- Angelman Syndrome Foundation
- Barth Syndrome Foundation
- Beckman Foundation
- BrightFocus Foundation
- Cancer Research Institute
- Charles H. Hood Foundation **
- Doris Duke Charitable Foundation **
- Families of Spinal Muscular Atrophy
- Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation **
- Hereditary Disease Foundation (Huntington’s)
- Life Sciences Research Foundation
- Michael J. Fox Foundation
- Orthopedic Research & Education Foundation
- Progeria Research Foundation
- Russell Sage Foundation
- Simons Foundation
- Whitehall Foundation

**Dates not confirmed by the funding organization at the time of compiling this information. Always check foundation website for updated RFP.**

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**ALS Therapy Alliance (ATA)**

**Grants Program**
The ALS Therapy Alliance and its partners are committed to finding a cure for ALS. For more information contact Traci Bisson, Project Research Manager, traci@alstherapyalliance.org

**Available:** $100,000 - $1,000,000

**DEADLINE: OCTOBER 15, 2014**

**URL:** [http://alstherapyalliance.org/index.php/research/grant-submission-process.html](http://alstherapyalliance.org/index.php/research/grant-submission-process.html)

**PIVOT:** [http://pivot.cos.com/funding_opps/141223](http://pivot.cos.com/funding_opps/141223)

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**American Lung Cancer Foundation**

**Clinical Research**
The Lung Cancer Foundation (ALCF) and Addario Lung Cancer Medical Institute (ALCMI) have one priority in allocating research funds. We only fund projects with the potential to impact patients’ lives NOW. Grantee research must address early detection, genetic testing, drug discovery and other patient-focused outcomes.

**Amount:** $100,000

**DEADLINE: OCTOBER 15, 2014 **

**URL:** [http://www.lungcancerfoundation.org/research/clinical-research/](http://www.lungcancerfoundation.org/research/clinical-research/)

**PIVOT:** [http://pivot.cos.com/funding_opps/132710](http://pivot.cos.com/funding_opps/132710)

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**Angelman Syndrome Foundation**

**Research Grants**
Angelman syndrome is a neurodevelopmental disorder caused by deficiency of the ubiquitin protein ligase UBE3A in the brain. Applications in the preclinical, translational and clinical research areas that investigate all aspects of Angelman
syndrome will be considered. Highest priority will be given to pilot projects to test new ideas about pathogenesis and therapeutics of Angelman syndrome. Researchers from all countries are encouraged to apply.

**Amount:** $200,000  
**Deadline:** October 15, 2014  
**URL:** [http://www.angelman.org/_angelman/assets/File/2014-General-Call-for-Research-Proposals.pdf](http://www.angelman.org/_angelman/assets/File/2014-General-Call-for-Research-Proposals.pdf)  
**Pivot:** [http://pivot.cos.com/funding_opps/67773](http://pivot.cos.com/funding_opps/67773)

### The Joseph E. Wagstaff Postdoctoral Fellowship Grant

The ASF strives to improve the lives of those with Angelman syndrome and their families by supporting research on the clinical and basic science aspects of the fellowships in the preclinical, translational and clinical research areas that investigate all aspects of Angelman syndrome. The purpose of this award is to promote Angelman syndrome-related research in a young investigator, support novel or innovative research initiatives, and further support and encourage existing Angelman-related research projects.

**Amount:** $110,000  
**Deadline:** October 1, 2014  
**Pivot:** [http://pivot.cos.com/funding_opps/127376](http://pivot.cos.com/funding_opps/127376)

### Barth Syndrome Foundation  
**Research Grant Program**

The Barth Syndrome Foundation, Inc. (BSF) and its international affiliates are pleased to announce the availability of funding for basic science and clinical research on the natural history, biochemical basis, and treatment of Barth syndrome. Starting in 2013, there will be two types of grant awards: IDEA grants and DEVELOPMENT grants.

**Amount:** $100,000  
**Deadline:** LOI September 1, 2014  
**URL:** [http://www.barthsyndrome.org/science--medicine/research-grant-program](http://www.barthsyndrome.org/science--medicine/research-grant-program)  
**Pivot:** [http://pivot.cos.com/funding_opps/71903](http://pivot.cos.com/funding_opps/71903)

### Arnold and Mabel Beckman Foundation  
**Beckman Young Investigators Program (BYI)**

The Beckman Young Investigator (BYI) Program is intended to provide research support to the most promising young faculty members in the early stages of academic careers in the chemical and life sciences *particularly to foster the invention of methods, instruments and materials that will open up new avenues of research in science.*

**INTERNAL PROCESS:** There is no limit on the number of faculty members from a single institution that may submit letters of intent. However, no more than one candidate from any one institution or its affiliates will be selected for the award in any funding cycle, and all letters of intent require the signatures of the candidate’s Dean and the Provost. Please contact David Gillerman in the Office of Foundation Relations (617-638-4566, dgillerm@bu.edu) no later than August 19, 2014 in order obtain the signature of Medical Campus Provost Antman.
BrightFocus Foundation
Alzheimer’s Disease Research Proposals
BrightFocus provides research funds for U.S. domestic as well as international researchers pursuing pioneering research leading to a greater understanding of Alzheimer’s disease.
Amount: $250,000
DEADLINE: OCTOBER 14, 2014
URL: http://www.brightfocus.org/research/

Cancer Research Institute
Irvington Postdoctoral Fellowships
The CRI provides funding to ensure that the most promising young scientists at leading universities and research centers around the world receive the critical financial support and continued career training needed to pursue their career in cancer immunology.
Amount: $160,000
DEADLINE: OCTOBER 1, 2014
URL: http://www.cancerresearch.org/postdoc/apply
PIVOT: http://pivot.cos.com/funding_opps/2657

Charles H. Hood Foundation
Child Health Research Awards Program
The Charles H. Hood Foundation was incorporated in 1942 to improve the health and quality of life for children throughout New England. Today’s research projects encompass many disciplines that have contributed to discoveries in pediatric medicine while launching the careers of promising junior faculty. The intent of the Award is to support newly independent faculty, provide the opportunity to demonstrate creativity, and assist in the transition to other sources of research funding. Research projects must be relevant to child health.
Amount: $150,000
DEADLINE: OCTOBER 3, 2014
URL: http://www.tmfgrants.org/Hood

Doris Duke Charitable Foundation
Clinical Scientist Development Award (CSDA)
The purpose of the CSDA is to provide support for mentored research to physician scientist faculty working in any disease area as they transition to independent clinical investigators. Early career physician scientists must balance their patient care and research responsibilities as they set out to establish their research programs.
Families of Spinal Muscular Atrophy
Child Health Research Awards Program
Families of SMA funds and directs research programs that seek to develop a treatment and cure for Spinal Muscular Atrophy disease, a hereditary disease that cause weakness and wasting of the voluntary muscles in the arms and legs of infants and children. On July 9, 2014 the foundation has issued a RFP for research projects designed to advance current understanding of Spinal Muscular Atrophy disease. Grants will be awarded for novel research related to SMA disease pathology at the molecular, cellular, and biochemical level; generate key reagents and tools to facilitate drug development and clinical trials; and identify new therapeutic strategies for SMA.
Amount: $150,000
DEADLINE: SEPTEMBER 5, 2014
URL: http://www.fsma.org/Researchers/BasicResearchFundingOpportunities/

Gordon & Betty Moore Foundation
Patient and Family Engagement Awards
The Patient Care Program of the Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation aims to eliminate preventable harms and unnecessary costs by meaningfully engaging patients and families within a redesigned, supportive healthcare system. Redesigning health care means taking a systems approach to rethinking and reengineering the complex delivery of care so that it functions as a coherent system rather than fragmented and prone to errors. Redesigning requires a focus on technology, process and culture to improve the effectiveness and efficiency of care.
Amount: $450,000
DEADLINE: LOI OCTOBER 1, 2014 **
Pivot: http://pivot.cos.com/funding_opps/152334

Hereditary Disease Foundation
Postdoctoral Research Fellowships
The Hereditary Disease Foundation offers support for research projects that will contribute to identifying and understanding the basic defect of Huntington's disease. Areas of interest include trinucleotide expansions, animal models, gene therapy, neurobiology and development of the basal ganglia, cell survival and death, and intercellular signaling in striatal neurons.
Life Sciences Research Foundation

Postdoctoral Research Fellowships
LSRF awards fellowships across the spectrum of the life sciences: biochemistry; cell, developmental, molecular, plant, structural, organismic population and evolutionary biology; endocrinology; immunology; microbiology; neurobiology; physiology; virology.
Amount: $183,000
**DEADLINE: OCTOBER 1, 2014**
URL: [http://www.lsrf.org/apply](http://www.lsrf.org/apply)

Michael J. Fox Foundation for Parkinson’s Research

Target Pipeline Program
The Target Validation program supports work seeking to determine whether manipulating a novel biological target has impact in a Parkinson’s disease-relevant animal model -- an essential early step to the development of potentially promising therapies.
Amount: $200,000
**DEADLINE: OCTOBER 29, 2014**
URL: [https://www.michaeljfox.org/research/grant-detail.php?id=9](https://www.michaeljfox.org/research/grant-detail.php?id=9)

Orthopaedic Research and Education Foundation

OREF Career Development Grant
OREF supports independent, peer-reviewed musculoskeletal research and education seeking clinically relevant advancements that orthopaedic surgeons can apply in daily practice to improve outcomes and help patients enjoy more of life. Research grant and award recipients are selected through OREF’s independent, peer-review process, which is modeled on the process used by the National Institutes of Health. OREF invites applications for funding for qualified, clinically relevant orthopaedic research and education projects as grants and awards are funded.
Amount: $225,000
**DEADLINE: SEPTEMBER 16, 2014**
URL: [http://www.oref.org/site/PageServer?pagename=grants_homepage](http://www.oref.org/site/PageServer?pagename=grants_homepage)

Progeria Research Foundation
Innovator, Established Investigator, and Specialty Awards
The Progeria Research Foundation has brought Progeria to the forefront of research efforts, engaging large, reputable institutions such as the National Institutes of Health (NIH) and Children’s Hospital Boston (CHB) to invest their resources in Hutchinson-Gilford Progeria Syndrome.

**Amount:** $150,000 - $300,000

**DEADLINE:** October 27, 2014

**URL:** [http://www.progeriaresearch.org/research_funding_opportunities/](http://www.progeriaresearch.org/research_funding_opportunities/)

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**Russell Sage Foundation**

**Visiting Scholars Program**

The mission of the Simons Foundation Autism Research Initiative (SFARI) is to improve the diagnosis and treatment of autism spectrum disorders by funding innovative research of the highest quality and relevance. To this end, the Simons Foundation is soliciting applications from individuals who will conduct bold, imaginative, rigorous and relevant research.

**Amount:** $250,000-750,000

**DEADLINE:** September 1, 2014

**URL:** [https://rsf.onlineapplicationportal.com/misc/guidelines/](https://rsf.onlineapplicationportal.com/misc/guidelines/)

**PIVOT:** [http://pivot.cos.com/funding_opps/9188](http://pivot.cos.com/funding_opps/9188)

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**Simons Foundation**

**Autism Research Initiative Awards**

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**Amount:** $250,000-750,000

**DEADLINE:** LOI October 11, 2014**

**URL:** [http://sfari.org/funding/grants/pilot-and-research-award-rfa/pilot-research-award-rfa-index](http://sfari.org/funding/grants/pilot-and-research-award-rfa/pilot-research-award-rfa-index)

**PIVOT:** [http://pivot.cos.com/funding_opps/123937](http://pivot.cos.com/funding_opps/123937)

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**Whitehall Foundation**

**Research Grants**

The Whitehall Foundation, through its program of grants and grants-in-aid, assists scholarly research in the life sciences. It is the Foundation's policy to assist those dynamic areas of basic biological research that are not heavily supported by Federal Agencies or other foundations with specialized missions. In order to respond to the changing environment, the Whitehall Foundation periodically reassesses the need for financial support by the various fields of biological research.

**Amount:** $225,000

**DEADLINE:** October 1, 2014
URL: http://www.whitehall.org/grants/
PIVOT: http://pivot.cos.com/funding_opps/3561

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