

Research Funding Opportunities – Deadlines JUNE 2016

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

Alex's Lemonade Stand Foundation

Bio-Therapeutics Impact Awards

The Awards address the existing funding gap for investigator initiated biological clinical trials for childhood cancers. A successful proposal is expected to accelerate delivery of high impact therapeutics to children. The ALSF Bio-Therapeutics Impact award provides funding to support investigator-initiated clinical trials using biologic therapies, including but not limited to immunotherapy (including cell therapies), gene

therapy and small molecules. This grant category was initiated to accelerate the development of clinical trials for promising biologic approaches to treat childhood cancers.

Amount: Up to \$1.5 million in total costs may be requested.

DEADLINE: JUNE 25**

<http://www.alexlemonade.org/grants/guidelines>



Alzheimer's Drug Discovery Foundation (ADDF)

Preclinical Drug Discovery Program

The Alzheimer's Drug Discovery Foundation (ADDF) seeks to fill the critical translational funding gap between basic research and later stage drug development by funding promising preclinical drug discovery and biomarker development programs relevant to Alzheimer's disease, other dementias and cognitive aging.

Amount Available: \$150,000 per year

DEADLINES: March 18, June 3, September 2, December 10 *

*Letter of Intent is due at least two weeks prior to deadline

<http://www.alzdiscovery.org/>

http://www.alzdiscovery.org/assets/content/static/2016_Preclinical_Drug_Discovery_RFP.pdf

The ADDF/Belfer ApoE Therapeutics Innovation Program

The Alzheimer's Drug Discovery Foundation (ADDF) and the Robert A. and Renée E. Belfer Family Foundation established The ADDF/Belfer ApoE Therapeutics Innovation Program to accelerate the development of novel therapeutics specifically designed to target apoE pathological mechanisms. This program will allow the ADDF to substantially build on its strategic investment in apoE drug discovery and development and will support both preclinical and clinical stage programs.

Amount Available: \$300,000 - \$1,000,000

DEADLINES: March 18, June 3, September 2, December 10

*Letter of Intent is due at least two weeks prior to deadline

<http://www.alzdiscovery.org/>

http://www.alzdiscovery.org/assets/content/static/2016_ApoE_RFP.pdf



American Academy of Child Adolescent Psychiatry (AACAP)

Junior Investigator Award

The AACAP Junior Investigator Award, supported by AACAP's Research Initiative for one child and adolescent psychiatry junior faculty (assistant professor level or equivalent) is intended to facilitate innovative research. The research may be basic or clinical in nature but must be relevant to our understanding, treatment and prevention of child and adolescent mental health disorders. Recipients are required to submit a poster or oral presentation on his or her research for AACAP's 65th Annual Meeting in

Seattle, Washington, October 22 - 27, 2018. The award also includes the cost of attending the AACAP Annual Meeting for five days.

Amount: \$30,000 a year for two years

Deadline: TBD**

http://www.aacap.org/AACAP/Awards/Resident_and_ECP_Awards/Junior_Investigator_Award.aspx



American College of Psychiatrists

The Bowis Award

DEADLINE-2017: June 30, 2016

Each year, The College presents the Bowis Award to a Member or Fellow who has played an important leadership role in The College. The Award consists of a gold medallion and a certificate. The recipient receives travel, hotel, and free registration at the Annual Meeting.

The Distinguished Service in Psychiatry Award

DEADLINE-2017: June 30, 2016

The Distinguished Service Award recognizes significant achievements and leadership in the field of psychiatry. The Award consists of a gold medallion and a certificate. The recipient receives travel, hotel, and free registration at the Annual Meeting.

The Award for Creativity in Psychiatric Education

DEADLINE-2017: June 30, 2016

The Award for Creativity in Psychiatric Education recognizes a teaching program that demonstrates innovation in psychiatric education. The Award consists of a grant and a certificate. One representative from the program receives travel, hotel, and free registration at the Annual Meeting.

Honorary Fellows

DEADLINE-2018: June 30, 2016

The American College of Psychiatrists awards Honorary Fellowships in The College to distinguished professionals who have made significant scientific and clinical contributions to the field of psychiatry. Although Honorary Fellows do not pay dues and are not eligible to hold office or Committee Membership, they are invited to attend all College meetings.

<http://www.acpsych.org/awards>



American Gastroenterological Association (AGA)

AGA Pfizer JAK-IBD Research Grant

The AGA Research Foundation and Pfizer, Inc. are pleased to announce the new AGA-Pfizer JAK-IBD Research Grant. This award provides total \$200,000 to an investigator interested in studying the role of

Janus kinase (JAK) pathways in the pathophysiology and immunology of inflammatory bowel disease (IBD). Unlike other awards from the AGA Research Foundation, there are no geographic or applicant age restrictions to apply. Candidates must hold an MD, PhD or equivalent degree (e.g., MB, ChB, MBBS, DO) and a full-time faculty position at a nonprofit institution.

Amount: \$200,000 over 2 years

DEADLINE: Application deadline in June. Funding will commence in October**

http://www.gastro.org/news_items/2014/2/27/new-opportunity-to-get-funding-for-your-ibd-research



American Psychiatric Association (APA)

Psychiatric Research Fellowship

Psychiatric Research Fellowship is for physicians who have completed residency training and demonstrate significant research potential but have not had extensive research training. Two individual trainees will be selected.

Amount: A stipend of \$45,000 will be paid to the trainee's institution for disbursement to the trainee.

Funded by Eli Lilly and Company.*

DEADLINE: TBD**

<http://www.psychiatry.org/research-awards-and-fellowships>



American Thoracic Society Foundation (ATS)

ATS Foundation/ AAIM-ASP Career Development Award In Geriatrics

This award, co-sponsored by the Alliance for Academic Internal Medicine (AAIM) and the Association of Specialty Professors (ASP) will supplement a grant from the National Institute on Aging (NIA), using the R03 mechanism under the funding announcement titled Grants for Early Medical and Surgical Subspecialists' Transitions to Aging Research (GEMSSTAR). The GEMSSTAR program provides two years of support for small research projects to allow early career physicians trained in medical and surgical subspecialties to establish a research track record in geriatric aspects of their subspecialty. The award will provide an opportunity to gain skills and experience in aging research and help the investigators establish an independent program of research in this field.

Amount: \$25,000/year for up to two years (\$50,000 total).

DEADLINE: June 15**

<http://www.thoracic.org/professionals/research/research-program-portfolio/ats-foundation-aaim-asp-career-development-award-in-geriatrics.php>

ATS Foundation Unrestricted Grant

The ATS Foundation will award five (5) unrestricted research grants for \$40,000 for one year for salaries, supplies, or a combination of these two. One grant will be awarded in each of the three society pillars: pulmonary, critical care, and sleep* and two grants will be awarded to the top scores in any category. Investigators may apply for unrestricted funding if their proposals do not meet the criteria defined by the

ATS Foundation encourages international and domestic applications in basic, patient-oriented, and public health topics. In the area of public health, the ATS Foundation is particularly interested in funding projects that will inform health policy decisions. These include projects that explore the quality and safety of a specific treatment and compare the effectiveness of different therapies.

Amount: \$40,000

DEADLINE: LOI June 15. Full application by invite only September 16**

<http://www.thoracic.org/professionals/research/research-program-portfolio/ats-foundation-unrestricted-grants-application.php>



ATS Foundation/Alpha-1 Foundation Research Grant

Co-funded by the ATS Foundation and the Alpha-1 Foundation.

The target audience for these research grants is investigators interested in research that is relevant to alpha-1 antitrypsin deficiency (Alpha-1). The focus of the research grants is programs that have a high likelihood to advance the understanding of Alpha-1. Applications are encouraged from faculty members at any stage of their academic career. Applicants may request up to \$40,000/year for two years for salaries, supplies or a combination of these two. Indirect costs will not be paid to the applicant's institution. Applicants must have completed their primary research training (PhD or sub-specialty fellowship training) by July 1st and have a firm commitment from their home institution for a faculty position. The following individuals are not eligible for this award:

- US-based trainees who do not hold a Visa that spans the project period of the grant
- Current awardees of the ATS Foundation Research Program
- Individuals who have received 2 ATS grants

Amount: \$100,000 over 2 years

DEADLINE: LOI June 15. Full application by invite only September 16**

<http://www.thoracic.org/professionals/research/research-program-portfolio/ats-partner-grants-application.php>

The Fellowship Career Development Award is designed to support the research of a fellow undergoing training in Idiopathic Pulmonary Fibrosis-directed research. Applicants should submit proposals for mentored projects addressing important areas of investigation in Idiopathic Pulmonary Fibrosis. Applicants must be enrolled in an accredited pulmonary/critical care training program and must be in good standing in the program. The goal is to support the research efforts of fellows during the latter part of their training (typically after their second year of training) in order to enhance their educational experience, advance discovery, and promote careers in academia. In line with these goals, applicants must hold a MD, DO, MD/PhD, PhD, DVM, or equivalent degree and should plan to pursue a career in academic medicine.

Amount: \$50,000 for 1 year

DEADLINE: LOI June 15. Full application by invite only September 16**

<http://www.thoracic.org/professionals/research/research-program-portfolio/ats-partner-grants-application.php>



ATS Foundation/Hermansky-Pudlak Syndrome Network Research Grant

The target audience for this research grants is investigators interested in research that is directly relevant to lung disease that results from Hermansky-Pudlak Syndrome. The focus of the research grants is programs that have a high likelihood to advance the understanding of Hermansky-Pudlak Syndrome-associated lung disease. Applications are encouraged from new faculty members who have a strong link with one or more senior investigator. One of the investigators must be an ATS member at the time of application, and the Principal Investigator must be an ATS member at the time that the grant is awarded.

Amount: \$80,000 over 2 years

DEADLINE: LOI June 15. Full application by invite only September 16**

<http://www.thoracic.org/professionals/research/research-program-portfolio/ats-partner-grants-application.php>

ATS Foundation/Pulmonary Hypertension Association Research Fellowship

Co-funded by the ATS Foundation and the Pulmonary Hypertension Association (PAH)

The target audience for this research fellowship is investigators interested in research in pulmonary arterial hypertension. The fellowship will be directed to supporting research into the pathophysiology of PAH, toward elucidating mechanistic pathways and identifying novel therapeutic targets or biomarkers in adult or pediatric pulmonary hypertension. The project should have potential applicability to human pulmonary vascular diseases. A primary goal of the ATS Foundation and PHA Research Programs is to enable new faculty-level investigators to make the transition to careers as established investigators. Partnerships between junior and senior investigators are strongly encouraged, particularly for new investigators who are within 1 to 5 years of the completion of their training. One of the investigators must be an ATS member at the time of application, and the Principal Investigator must be an ATS member at the time that the grant is awarded. Indirect costs will not be paid to the sponsoring institution. Investigators are also encouraged to connect through PHA's professional network, PH Clinicians and Researchers, during the course of their research.

Amount: \$80,000 over 2 years

DEADLINE: LOI June 15. Full application by invite only September 16**

<http://www.thoracic.org/professionals/research/research-program-portfolio/ats-partner-grants-application.php>

ATS Foundation/Scleroderma Foundation Research Grant

Co-funded by the ATS Foundation and the Scleroderma Foundation.

The target audience for this research grant is investigators interested in research that is directly relevant to lung disease that results from scleroderma (ie, systemic sclerosis or SSc). The focus of the research grant is programs that have a high likelihood to advance the understanding of scleroderma-associated lung disease. Applications are encouraged from new faculty members who have a strong link with one or more senior investigator. One of the investigators must be an ATS member at the time of application, and the Principal Investigator must be an ATS member at the time that the grant is awarded. Indirect costs will not be paid to the sponsoring institution.

Amount: \$80,000 over 2 years



[DEADLINE: LOI June 15. Full application by invite only September 16](#)**

<http://www.thoracic.org/professionals/research/research-program-portfolio/ats-partner-grants-application.php>

ATS Foundation Tobacco-Dependence Research Fund Grant: For Research on Basic Mechanisms Involved in Tobacco Dependence

The grant will be targeted for research on basic mechanisms involved in tobacco dependence, including such areas as neurogenetics, pharmacology, neuropharmacology, cell receptors, airway sensory responses, and other basic science areas that enhance understanding of the basic mechanisms causing tobacco dependence. This grant is NOT intended to support studies that examine the adverse consequences of cigarette smoking. The Principal Investigator must be a member of a division of pulmonary and critical care medicine. Trans-disciplinary, cross-department collaboration is encouraged. Preference will be given to projects that, because of their novelty, require bridge funding before becoming competitive for other funding mechanisms. A primary goal of the ATS Foundation Research Program is to enable new faculty-level investigators to make the transition to careers as established investigators. Partnerships between junior and senior investigators are strongly encouraged, particularly for new investigators who are within 1 to 5 years of the completion of their training. At least one of the senior investigators must also be a member of the applicant's pulmonary and critical care medicine division

Amount: \$50,000 per year for 2 years

[DEADLINE: LOI June 15. Full application by invite only September 16](#)**

<http://www.thoracic.org/professionals/research/research-program-portfolio/ats-partner-grants-application.php>



Association for Surgical Education (ASE) Grant

CESERT funds are intended to support excellence and innovation in surgical education research. Research studies could include teaching techniques, performance evaluation methods, instructional and curriculum design, and educational program design. A proposal requesting support for development of new educational programs (including new methods and/or materials) will only be considered if it meets EACH of the following criteria: a) the proposal is theory-based; b) it includes a research component; c) it includes a plan for evaluation of program efficacy.

The Foundation is promoting the availability of these grant awards to active ASE members OR to members of other national surgical associations. However, members of the ASE will be given priority consideration in the Board's decision making process. If a non-ASE member wishes to apply for a grant, the non-member investigators must work in collaboration with, or have their project endorsed by, an ASE member.

Amount: \$25,000 per grant

[Deadline: Jun. 1, 2016](#)

<http://www.surgicaleducation.com/cesert-grants>



Baxter International, Inc.

Investigator Initiated Research Grant

We are currently interested in supporting research in the following areas: Immunology, Hematology and Oncology. It is necessary to refer a submission to a number of different persons within Baxalta to ascertain whether or not a proposal is of interest. There must be a written research plan (protocol) in English that addresses the essential elements of the research, including (i) scientific rationale, (ii) statistical methods and sample size determinations, (iii) primary and secondary outcome variables, as applicable, (iv) research strategy, (v) research design and methodologies, (vi) operational activities, (vii) trial personnel Responsibilities and (viii) regulatory and clinical compliance requirements.

Amount: \$5,000 - \$125,000

DEADLINE: JUNE 30, 2016

<https://www.baxterbiosciencegrants.com/biogrants/researchGrants.jspa>



Benign Essential Blepharospasm Research Foundation, Inc. (BEBRF)

Fellowship Program

The Benign Essential Blepharospasm Research Foundation (BEBRF) is pleased to offer a research fellowship to support the training of exceptionally qualified physicians or scientists who wish to focus on blepharospasm with and without oromandibular dystonia. The training program should focus on research into new treatments, pathophysiology or the genetics of benign essential blepharospasm and oromandibular dystonia. Research into photophobia, dry eye, and apraxia of the eyelid opening as they relate to benign essential blepharospasm and oromandibular dystonia will also be considered for funding. Physician applicants must be board certified or board eligible in neurology or ophthalmology, have completed a residency, and hold or be able to hold an unrestricted license to practice medicine in the United States. PhDs should have completed their degree.

Amount: \$150,000 over 2 years

DEADLINE: June 30**

<http://www.blepharospasm.org/blepharospasm-fellowship-program.html>



Brain & Behavior Research Foundation

NARSAD Distinguished Investigator Grant

The NARSAD Distinguished Investigator Grant provides support for experienced investigators (full professor or equivalent) conducting neurobiological and behavioral research. A one-year grant is provided for established scientists pursuing innovative projects in diverse areas of neurobiological research. Areas of particular interest to the Scientific Council's Selection Committee include patient populations with unique or unusual characteristics and central nervous system developments. This grant supports scientists at the full professor (or equivalent) level.

Amount: \$100,000 for 1 year

Deadline: June to July 2016

<https://bbrfoundation.org/DI>



Children's Heart Foundation (CHF)

Research Grants: The Children's Heart Foundation calls upon all investigators to submit research proposals related to discovering the cause of and improving methods for diagnosing, treating, and preventing congenital heart disease.

Amount: \$100,000 per year for 2 years

DEADLINE: Research Proposal June 3, 2016

<http://www.childrensheartfoundation.org/for-scientists/call-for-research-proposals>



Children's Leukemia Research Association (CLRA)

Research Projects

To that end, CLRA is seeking applications from investigators for promising research projects into childhood leukemia. Grants of up to \$30,000 will be awarded to promising projects aimed at isolating the causes of and finding a cure for childhood leukemia. Funding from other sources is permissible, but CLRA funding objectives should not duplicate those of other funding sources.

Any doctor at the Ph.D. or M.D. level involved in leukemia research may apply.

Amount: \$30,000

DEADLINE: JUNE 30, 2016

<http://philanthropynewsdigest.org/rfps/rfp6325-children-s-leukemia-research-association-seeks-applications-for-research-projects>

<http://www.childrensleukemia.org/researchgrants.html>



Children's Tumor Foundation (CTF)

Initiative Clinical Research Awards

To accelerate NF research, CTF launched the Clinical Research Award (CRA) program in 2007 to support early stage pilot clinical trials of candidate therapeutics or interventions for treatment of manifestations of NF1, NF2 and schwannomatosis. In addition, these awards support innovative clinical trial enabling studies. It is hoped that applications for Clinical Research Awards will be broad-thinking, novel ideas.

Amount: \$150,000

DEADLINE: LOI June or July (to be determined)**

<http://www.ctf.org/CTF-Awards-Grants-and-Contracts/Clinical-Research-Awards/>



Elsa U. Pardee Foundation

Research Grant

The Elsa U. Pardee Foundation funds research to investigators in United States non-profit institutions proposing research directed toward identifying new treatments or cures for cancer. The Foundation particularly encourages grant applications for a one year period which will allow establishment of capabilities of new cancer researchers, or new cancer approaches by established cancer researchers. It is anticipated that this early stage funding by the Foundation may lead to subsequent and expanded support using government agency funding. Project relevance to cancer detection, treatment, or cure should be clearly identified.

Amount: \$150,000

DEADLINE: FEBRUARY 1, JUNE 1 AND OCTOBER 1

<http://www.pardeefoundation.org/grants.aspx>



Gerber Foundation

Pediatric Health Grants

Promoting health and preventing or treating disease is the primary focus of this target area. Of particular interest are applied research projects focused on reducing the incidence of serious neonatal and early childhood illnesses, or improving cognitive, social and emotional aspects of development.

Amount Available: \$350,000

DEADLINE: Concept Papers June 1 & December 1. Full proposal February 15 & August 15

<http://www.gerberfoundation.org/pd-research/research>

Environmental Hazards (Nutrient competitors)

The Foundation is interested in projects that evaluate the effects of environmental hazards on infants and young children. Applied research projects that document the impact of, or ameliorate effects of, environmental hazards on the growth and development of infants and young children are the focus of this area of interest.

Amount Available: \$350,000

DEADLINE: Concept Papers June 1 & December 1. Full proposal February 15 & August 15

<http://www.gerberfoundation.org/pd-research/research>

Pediatric Nutrition Grants

These programs respond to a long-time interest of the Foundation in assuring adequate nutrition for infants and young children. Projects include applied research that evaluates the provision of specific nutrients and their related outcomes in infants and young children.

Amount Available: \$350,000

DEADLINE: Concept Papers June 1 & December 1. Full proposal February 15 & August 15

<http://www.gerberfoundation.org/pd-research/research>



Glaucoma Research Foundation

Shaffer Grants

We support new high-impact clinical, epidemiological and laboratory research based on our strategic research goals.

Strategic Research Goals

- Protect and restore the optic nerve
- Accurately detect glaucoma and monitor its progress
- Find the genes responsible for glaucoma
- Understand the intraocular pressure system and develop better treatments
- Determine the risk factors for glaucoma damage using systematic outcomes data

Amount: \$40,000 per year for 1 to 2 years

Deadlines: Preliminary Proposals are accepted from June 1 to July 31.

Full Application by invite only due September 30

<http://www.glaucoma.org/research/applying-for-a-grant.php>



Harrington Discovery Institute

Harrington Scholar-Innovator Program

The Harrington Scholar-Innovator Award recognizes physician-scientist innovators throughout the U.S. whose research has the potential to advance standard of care. The Scholar-Innovator award provides research and drug development funding as well as non-financial support to selected innovators and their institutions to help bridge the gap between basic discovery and clinical introduction. Selection criteria include innovation, creativity, and potential for impact on human health. The competition is open to physician-scientists at accredited academic medical centers, research institutions, and universities in the United States. Applicants must have a doctorate in medicine and demonstrate exceptional promise.

Amount: \$700,000 over 2 years

DEADLINE: June 6, 2016

<http://www.uhhospitals.org/services/harrington-discovery-institute/programs-and-initiatives/harrington-scholar-innovator-program/apply-now>



James S. McDonnell Foundation (JSMF)

Postdoctoral Fellowship

The James S. McDonnell Foundation Postdoctoral Fellowship Award in Studying Complex Systems provides fellowships to students completing doctoral training in the multidisciplinary field of complex systems science. The JSMF Fellowship is intended to provide students in the final stages of completing a Ph.D. degree more leeway in identifying and securing postdoctoral training opportunities in complex systems research. Eligibility: Ph.D. students within 18 months of anticipated completion of graduate training

Amount: \$200,000 2 to 3 years.

Deadline: June (to be determined)**

<https://www.jsmf.org/programs/cs/>



Lupus Research Institute (LRI)

Novel Research Grants

The program goals are to stimulate investigation of underexplored pathways and generate transformative discoveries in lupus that can drive the development of safer and more effective treatments. Investigations into the fundamental mechanisms of lupus and its complications, explorations of novel targets and pathways, and applications involving novel technologies and interdisciplinary approaches are particularly encouraged. Investigations should be relevant to basic, translational, or clinical research on lupus. The Lupus Research Institute particularly encourages projects based on novel explorations of human lupus biology—innovative studies that use human material to address the physiological, cellular, molecular and/or genetic basis of human lupus.

Amount: \$100,000 per year up to 3 years

DEADLINE: JUNE 1**

<http://lupusresearchinstitute.org/lupus-research/grant-application>

The global Distinguished Innovator Awards

LRI Distinguished Innovator Awards provide outstanding scientists with substantial support for up to four years to conduct novel research into the fundamental causes of systemic lupus erythematosus and so provide new directions towards a cure. We welcome novel, hypothesis- or discovery-driven proposals in human and/or animal-model based lupus research. The research proposal must aim to uncover the fundamental causes of lupus and present a compelling vision of how the discovery would lay the groundwork for a cure, prevention, or highly effective therapy. Applications will be judged primarily on the novelty and potential of the research proposal, and the strengths and track record of the investigator. Emphasis will be on the rationale for the hypothesis rather than the amount of preliminary data. Continuations of long-term research projects will not be considered. Successful applicants will be outstanding investigators who have demonstrated creativity and productivity in their field of research. We encourage applications from investigators in diverse disciplines including, but not limited to, immunology, genetics, molecular-, cell- and systems biology.

Amount: up to US \$250,000 per year for up to four years.

DEADLINE: JUNE 25**

<http://lupusresearchinstitute.org/lupus-research/grant-application>



Muscular Dystrophy Association (MDA)

MDA Venture Philanthropy

MDA Venture Philanthropy (MVP) is the Muscular Dystrophy Association's drug development program, which operates within MDA's Translational Research program. MVP is exclusively focused on funding the discovery and clinical application of treatments and cures for neuromuscular diseases. MDA Venture Philanthropy (MVP) does not provide traditional grants, but rather makes targeted investments in drug development for neuromuscular disease. Projects will be milestone-driven, contract-mediated and a return on investment will be negotiated. Investment Profile: MVP invests in small pharmaceutical and biotech companies and in academics developing treatments and therapies for neuromuscular diseases. Companies may be public or private, and MVP does not discriminate between U.S. and international projects. MVP funds academic investigators doing appropriate studies but encourages corporate collaboration. MVP seeks to apply funding where it will achieve the greatest leverage to increase the number of effective drugs in development for neuromuscular diseases.

MVP funds projects that impact any of the over 40 neuromuscular diseases covered by MDA. MVP funds projects from proof-of-principle studies through Phase II trials. Projects may include optimization, toxicology, manufacturing and scale-up, pre-IND, Phase I or early Phase II trials.

MVP will consider funding investments in the range of \$500,000 to \$3 million, depending on the stage of research. The award period will be on average 2 years, but follow-on investment may be negotiated if all milestones are met and the project moves into later phases of development. MVP acknowledges that drug development is a long process, and that the horizon for drug approval may be up to 10 years after MVP investment. The following ranges are guidelines for the value of investment that MVP may put into projects at each stage.

- **Research and Development (up to \$500,000)**
- **Preclinical (\$500,000 to \$1 million)**
- **Early Clinical (Phase I/II) (\$1 million to \$3 million)**

DEADLINE: LOI March 1, June 1, September 1 and December 1.

<https://www.mda.org/research/grant-types>



National Rosacea Society

Research Grants

Perhaps nowhere else in dermatology is so little known about a disorder that affects so many. Because the cause of rosacea is unknown and there is no cure, the National Rosacea Society's research grants program was established to encourage and support research into the potential causes and other key aspects of this condition that may lead to improvements in its treatment and potential prevention or cure. The program is supported by donations from individuals, and funds are available to researchers worldwide.

Because the etiology of rosacea is unknown, high priority is given to research in such areas as the pathogenesis, progression, mechanism of action, cell biology and potential genetic factors of this conspicuous and often life-disruptive condition. Studies may also be funded in such areas as epidemiology, predisposition, quality of life and associations with environmental and lifestyle factors. Product

development studies (e.g., drug or device testing), which are more appropriately funded by commercial sources, will not be considered.

Amount: \$10,000 to \$25,000

Deadline: June 17, 2016

<http://www.rosacea.org/grants/index.php>



North American Neuroendocrine Tumor Society (NANETS)

The NET Generation

The founding organizers of NANETS were committed to bridging the gap between the pioneers in the field, the clinicians and researchers who literally wrote the book on diagnosing and treating neuroendocrine tumors, and their medical colleagues who are beginning to establish a career in NETs. The grants and awards available through NANETS were created to both support new research initiatives and welcome young and eager scientific minds to the neuroendocrine community.

Young Investigator Award

The purpose of the NANETS Young Investigator Award is to encourage investigators at the end of their fellowship or beginning of their faculty appointment to pursue basic and/or translational research focused on neuroendocrine tumors. Eligibility: Candidates must have an MD, MD/PhD, PhD, DO degree or equivalent; Candidates must be in the first 5 years of a faculty appointment (instructor, research scientist or above) in an accredited medical school or other institution in North America; Candidates must be a NANETS member.

Amount: \$50,000 for 1 year

DEADLINE: June **

<https://www.nanets.net/content/2015-young-investigator-award-criteria>



NANETS Clinical Investigator Scholarship

The purpose of the NANETS Clinical Investigator Scholarship (NCIS) is to encourage physicians who have recently completed their fellowship or begun their faculty appointment to pursue a clinical career focused on neuroendocrine tumors. Eligibility: Candidates must have an MD, MD/PhD, DO degree or equivalent; Candidates must be in the first 5 years of a faculty appointment (instructor or above) in an accredited medical school or other institution in North America (must be on staff at time of award); Candidates must be a NANETS member. The investigator/mentor relationship is an important component to both awards, because we believe that creating a mentorship plan is imperative to progress as a scientist and build a successful NET career.

Amount: \$50,000 for 1 year

DEADLINE: June **

<https://www.nanets.net/content/2015-clinical-investigator-scholarship-criteria>



PSC Partners Seeking a Cure

Research Grant

Funding research projects that have the potential to discover a cure for this disease, and/or identify novel therapies that may significantly delay time to liver transplantation, prevent disease recurrence following liver transplantation, and/or improve the quality of life of those with PSC. The foundation offers grants to conduct research that addresses an important and novel, basic or clinical research question related to PSC and closely allied diseases (such as inflammatory bowel diseases (IBD), ulcerative colitis (UC) or Crohn's disease) as they relate to PSC. The applicant must be at an academic institution with an interest in pursuing PSC as an indication for treatment. The purpose is to encourage investigators to conduct research in promising new areas with the goal that data generated will lead to federal (NIH) funding.

Amount: \$60,000

DEADLINE: June 6, 2016

<http://www.pscpartners.org/apply>



Rheumatology Research Foundation

Innovative Research Award

Supporting innovative research ideas is essential to better understanding rheumatic diseases, their causes and the best way to treat them. The Innovative Research Award provides independent investigators with the funding they need to pursue ideas that could lead to important breakthroughs in discovering new treatments and, one day, a cure. Support for innovative research into rheumatic diseases. Encourage independent investigators to conduct novel studies that generate new insights into the cause, progression, treatment and outcomes of rheumatic diseases.

Amount: \$400,000

DEADLINE: LOI June 1, 2016, Application July 1, 2016

<http://www.rheumresearch.org/innovative-research-award>

Career Development Bridge Funding Award: K Bridge

The Career Development Research Awards are designed to encourage early and mid-career investigators to continue vital research into the cause, prevention and treatment of rheumatic diseases and support to continue conducting research while reapplying for an NIH or VA career development award; applicants must have a funding decision in order to apply.

Amount: \$75,000 for 1 year

DEADLINE: June 1, 2016

<http://www.rheumresearch.org/career-development-research-awards>

Career Development Bridge Funding Award: R Bridge

Support for promising investigators who are at risk of running out of research funding and are revising outstanding NIH R01 or VA RCS/ORD award applications.

Amount: \$200,000 2 years

DEADLINE: June 1, 2016

<http://www.rheumresearch.org/career-development-research-awards>

Career Development Bridge Funding Award: K Supplement

A supplement to the NIH or VA career development awards. The purpose of this award is to encourage junior investigators to expand promising research by providing additional support to cover research costs and help investigators become independent.

Applicants will be notified of funding decisions in early September and funding will be sent in early October.

Amount: \$100,000 2 years

DEADLINE: RFA opens on May 2, 2016, Application Deadline August 1, 2016

<http://www.rheumresearch.org/career-development-research-awards>



Susan G Komen

Komen Training and Career Development awards

This year, we're offering three grant funding mechanisms for which early career breast cancer researchers anywhere in the world are invited to apply. These three Komen Training and Career Development awards seek to bridge the funding gap faced by recently graduated PhDs and early faculty as they start their careers in breast cancer research. CCR Grants provide unique opportunities for scientists who have held faculty positions for no more than six years at the time of full application to achieve research independence. CCR grants provide support for hypothesis-driven research projects that have significant potential to advance our understanding of breast cancer, lead to reductions in breast cancer incidence and/or mortality, and move us toward the goal of a world without breast cancer.

Career Catalyst Research Grants – Basic/Translational Research

This award mechanism is appropriate for both basic (i.e. Ph.D.) or clinical (i.e. M.D.) fellows proposing research projects that are laboratory- or field- based and do not meet Komen's definition of clinical research. Studies focusing on quality of life or survivorship issues are not appropriate for this mechanism.

Amount: \$150,000 per year for up to 3 years

DEADLINE: Pre-Application Submission deadline June **

<http://ww5.komen.org/ResearchGrants/FundingOpportunities.html#sthash.OgiMnP1B.dpuf>

Career Catalyst Research Grants – Clinical Research

This award mechanism is appropriate for clinical (i.e. M.D.) fellows/faculty proposing clinical, patient-oriented research projects that involve direct interactions with human subjects/patients. This includes studies such as therapeutic interventions or clinical trials. Komen defines clinical research as hypothesis driven, patient-oriented research for which an investigator directly interacts with human subjects/patients, in conjunction with laboratory-based research, as appropriate. This includes studies such as therapeutic interventions or clinical trials.

Amount: \$150,000 per year for up to 3 years

DEADLINE: Pre-Application Submission deadline June **

<http://ww5.komen.org/ResearchGrants/FundingOpportunities.html#sthash.OgiMnP1B.dpuf>

Postdoctoral Fellowship Grants – Basic/Translational Research

This grant mechanism is appropriate for both basic (i.e. Ph.D.) or clinical (i.e. M.D.) fellows proposing research projects that are laboratory- or field- based and do not meet Komen's definition of clinical research. Studies focusing on quality of life or survivorship issues are not appropriate for this mechanism.

Amount: \$60,000 per year for 2 to 3 years

DEADLINE: Pre-Application Submission deadline June **

<http://ww5.komen.org/ResearchGrants/FundingOpportunities.html#sthash.OgiMnP1B.dpuf>

Postdoctoral Fellowship Grants – Clinical Research

This grant mechanism is appropriate for clinical (i.e. M.D.) fellows proposing clinical, patient-oriented research projects that involve direct interactions with human subjects/patients. This includes studies such as therapeutic interventions or clinical trials.

Amount: \$60,000 per year for 2 to 3 years

DEADLINE: Pre-Application Submission deadline June **

<http://ww5.komen.org/ResearchGrants/FundingOpportunities.html#sthash.OgiMnP1B.dpuf>

Graduate Training in Disparities Research (GTDR) Grants

Graduate Training in Disparities Research (GTDR) Grants are intended to establish and/or to sustain a training program for graduate students who are seeking careers dedicated to understanding and eliminating disparities in breast cancer outcomes across population groups.

By providing funding to outstanding training programs, Komen seeks to ensure that a diverse pool of highly trained scientists will emerge as the next generation of leaders in the field of breast cancer research focused on disparities in breast cancer outcomes.

Amount: \$130,000 per year for up to 3 years

DEADLINE: Pre-Application Submission deadline June **

<http://ww5.komen.org/ResearchGrants/FundingOpportunities.html#sthash.OgiMnP1B.IUrquUuR.dpuf>



Vilcek Foundation

Vilcek Prizes For Creative Promise in Biomedical Science

The Vilcek Foundation will award three prizes of \$50,000 each to young foreign-born biomedical scientists who demonstrate outstanding early achievement. Eligible work may be in basic, applied, and/or translational biomedical science. To be eligible for the Vilcek Prizes for Creative Promise in Biomedical Science, applicants must meet all of the criteria listed below: Applicant must have earned a doctoral degree (MD, PhD, or equivalent).

Amount: \$50,000

Deadline: Online application must be submitted by 5:00pm EDT, June 10, 2016.

<http://www.vilcek.org/prizes/creative-promise/biomedical-science.html>



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