Developmental Grants Program
Spring 2021
Request for Applications

The CFAR Developmental Grants Program provides support for three types of AIDS biomedical and behavioral research projects:

- Initial AIDS Research Projects – applicants who have not yet received R01 type funding from NIH in the HIV/AIDS field
- Pilot Projects testing new or innovative ideas – applicants who have received R01 type funding from NIH, but not in the HIV/AIDS field (new to HIV research)
- Collaborative Projects – applicants would include at least one HIV investigator; collaborators must not have previous NIH R01 type funding together.

The goal of the CFAR developmental program is to enable the grantee the opportunity to obtain sufficient original data to achieve NIH research funding in his/her area of investigation.

Applicants are strongly encouraged to align their proposals with the NIH HIV/AIDS Research Priorities, and the NIMH Priorities for behavioral studies. Collaborative grants between Brown University and Boston University/Boston Medical Center faculty are strongly encouraged and will be prioritized for this cycle. Grants submitted by Underrepresented Populations are always encouraged. Underrepresented populations, as designated by NIH, include “Blacks or African Americans, Hispanics or Latinos, American Indians or Alaska Natives, and Native Hawaiians and other Pacific Islanders”. Also included in this definition are individuals with Disabilities and those from Disadvantaged backgrounds. Please review NOT-OD-20-031 for a full description. Projects considered a clinical trial by NIH will not be accepted. Please review guidelines carefully.

All applicants must have a full-time appointment of at least an appointment of Instructor/Investigator at Brown University or Boston University to apply. Applications from post-doctoral fellows will not be accepted unless a faculty promotion letter (e.g. a letter confirming the intent of the institution to promote the applicant to an eligible position by the activation of the award) is attached to the application.

LETTERS OF INTENT MUST BE SUBMITTED IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN APPLYING FOR A CFAR DEVELOPMENTAL AWARD

- Letters of Intent are required and due no later than 5:00pm EST on Monday, February 1, 2021
- LOIs must be submitted on-line using the following link: https://fs6/formsite.com/ltbcfar/LOI/index.html
- Notification of selected LOI’s for full submission will be announced by February 8, 2021
- For those with accepted LOIs, full applications are due by 5:00pm EST on Thursday, April 1, 2021
- Awards will be announced by May 26, 2021

For more detailed information, please visit our website at https://www.brown.edu/academics/medical/about-us/research/centers-institutes-and-programs/aids/cfar-developmental-grants

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