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GRANTS FOR LUNCH TOPIC:

BUDGETS

Are you as anxious about preparing a budget as writing the grant proposal itself? You're not alone. Many have asked us to repeat this topic. Bring your lunch and a list of questions. Janet Rasey, Ph.D. and guests TBA will be available at this one hour forum to help you.

Wednesday, May 15, 2002

South Campus Center, Rooms 348/350

Noon to 1 p.m.

GRANT WRITING WORKSHOP

Janet Rasey, Director
Research Funding Service

There are still some openings. We'll take a break this summer but will resume offering this workshop this fall.

Wednesdays, June 5 and 12, 2002

5:30-8:00 p.m.

Please register on-line at

<http://healthlinks.washington.edu/hsc/rfs/index.html>

Biomedical Categories

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BIOMEDICAL CATEGORIES

Aging

(1) NATIONAL INSTITUTE ON AGING
NIA PILOT RESEARCH GRANT PROGRAM
RELEASE DATE: January 24, 2002 PA NUMBER:
PAR-02-049
EXPIRATION DATE: November 15, 2002, unless
reissued.

Web site: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-02-049.html>

(24 high priority research areas, program officers)

Funding Mechanism: R03

Application Receipt Dates: March 15, 2002, July 15, 2002, November 15, 2002

The National Institute on Aging (NIA) is seeking small grant (R03) applications in specific areas to: (1) encourage the entry of promising new investigators into aging research, and (2) encourage established investigators to enter new targeted, high priority areas in this research field. This Small Grant (R03) Program provides support for pilot research that is likely to lead to a subsequent individual research project grant (R01) that is focused on aging and/or a significant advancement of aging research.

NIA is requesting applications in 24 research areas. See the above web site to read the complete announcement. This PA will use the NIH R03 award mechanism. You may request either \$25,000 or \$50,000 in direct costs for one year. These awards are not renewable.

AIDS, HIV

(2) AMERICAN FOUNDATION FOR AIDS RESEARCH (amFAR)

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS – BASIC RESEARCH PROGRAM, FELLOWSHIPS AND TRAVEL GRANTS

Letter of Intent deadline: **May 7, 2002**

Web site: <http://www.amfar.org/pages/grant01.html>
(announcements, letter of intent instructions)

Please contact development officer Clare Bland, 206-521-1671, cbland@u.washington.edu, for more information about applying for these grants.

amFAR issued an RFP on March 21, 2002 for the following opportunities:

Basic Research Grants: These are one-year grants for \$90,000 (\$75,000 direct costs plus no more than 20% for indirect costs). Applicants must hold a faculty position.
amFAR Fellowships: These fellowships pay \$99,000 over two years. Salary and fringe benefits are \$35,000 a year and \$10,000 a year for supplies plus no more than 10% for indirect costs.

The performance period of 24 months starts no earlier than September 1, 2002, and no later than October 1, 2002 for both opportunities.

Short-Term Travel Grants: amFAR travel grants provide up to \$5,000 for one year to be used for short-term research, training, or study at another national or international institution. The performance period is up to 12 months starting no earlier than September 1, 2002, and concluding no later than September 30, 2003. • Indirect costs up to 10% may be included in the \$5,000 grant.

Submission of a Letter of Intent (LOI) is not a guarantee of eligibility to submit a full application. The LOI pre-application process is highly competitive. Only a limited number of LOIs will be approved for solicitation of a full application.

**(3) UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON
CENTER FOR AIDS RESEARCH (CFAR)
NEW INVESTIGATOR AWARDS**
Application deadline: **May 15, 2002**

The University of Washington Center for AIDS and STD announces the availability of funds to support New Investigator Awards in the area of human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) and acquired immune deficiency syndrome (AIDS) related research.

The purposes of the **New Investigator Awards** are to encourage recruitment of new junior investigators into HIV/AIDS research, to support their development, and to provide awardees an opportunity to acquire data for subsequent submissions for other independent funds (e.g., NIH RO1s).

Eligible applicants will be current UW junior faculty, including acting positions, who have not had R01s for HIV/AIDS; scientists completing fellowships; senior post-doctoral fellows initiating a new area of research that will form a basis for an independent program; junior faculty being recruited to the UW faculty or affiliated institutions; and investigators with comparable appointments at UW-affiliated institutions (e.g., Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center, Seattle Biomedical Research Institute).

HIV-related research is defined broadly and includes basic science, clinical, epidemiological, behavioral and health services research. The **New Investigator Awards** will provide \$30,000-35,000 per year (direct costs) for up to two years and may be used for salaries and benefits, technical support, and supplies and equipment. Qualified minority and women scientists are especially encouraged to apply. The awards will begin spring 2002.

For application information, please check the UW CFAR web site at <http://depts.washington.edu/cfar> / or contact Ann Collier, MD, UW Box 359929, (206)731-3293; or email at acollier@u.washington.edu

**(4) NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF ALLERGY AND INFECTIOUS DISEASES
INNOVATION GRANTS FOR AIDS RESEARCH**
Release Date: January 16, 2002 PA NUMBER: PA-02-046
This Program Announcement expires on April 1, 2004, unless reissued.
Web site: <http://grants1.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-02-046.html> (research areas requested, program officers)

Funding mechanisms: **R21**
Application receipt dates: **February 1, June 1, October 1**

The National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID) and other five other Institutes encourage the submission of applications to bring new, scientifically challenging and untested ideas into AIDS research. There are a number of critical questions in AIDS research that remain under explored, and new approaches are needed to make progress in these areas.

This PA will use the National Institutes of Health (NIH) research project grant, R21 (exploratory/developmental) award mechanism. Applicants may request up to two years of support and up to \$150,000 per annum in direct costs. This award is non-renewable. However, it is hoped that grantees funded through this exploratory phase program will elect to seek continuing support for their projects through the R01 or P01 grant mechanisms.

Biotechnology

(5) INVITROGEN CORPORATION
2002 RESEARCH TOOLS DEVELOPMENT GRANTS
Web site:
<http://www.invitrogen.com/content.cfm?pageid=3945&nv=1> (nonconfidential preproposal form)
Application deadline: **June 1, 2002**

Invitrogen supports the discovery and implementation of innovative methodologies and products for use in life science research. The **Research Tools Development Grants** program is designed to encourage the discovery, development, and commercialization of research tools for use in scientific discovery. Grants ranging from approximately **US\$25,000** to **US\$100,000** will be awarded quarterly, focusing on a different area of research each quarter.

The second quarter research area is Functional Analysis. Understanding how genes and their corresponding proteins function and interact in vitro and in a cellular context is one of the current interests of biotechnology research. New tools are needed for exploring all aspects of functional analysis, including interactions (i.e., molecular- or cell-based), localization (i.e., cell-based assays), identification (i.e., physical and chemical analysis), expression (i.e., regulation), modifications (i.e., structural analysis), and activities (i.e., catalytic and structural). Invitrogen is interested in supporting research in all of these areas as well as in bioinformatics and microarray projects for the second quarter of the 2002 Grant Program. Mail, email or fax the nonconfidential

preproposal form first. If your proposal is accepted, you will be invited to submit the full proposal by the June 1, 2002 deadline.

(6) NATIONAL MEDICAL TECHNOLOGY TESTBED (NMTB), INC.

DEVELOPMENT OF NEW TECHNOLOGY FOR SUBSEQUENT COMMERCIALIZATION AND MEDICAL USE

Web site: <http://www.llu.edu/llumc/nmtb/index.html> (current areas of research emphasis, application forms)

Application deadline: **June 6, 2002**

The National Medical Technology Testbed was established as part of Loma Linda University Medical Center (LLUMC), Loma Linda, California, in March 1992 as a prototype defense conversion program and incorporated as a private non-profit public benefit organization the following year. Initially, funding was first made available to NMTB by Congress "for laboratory and other efforts associated with research, development, and other programs of major importance to the Department of Defense." NMTB's objective has been to develop a comprehensive suite of deliverable technologies that would improve military and civilian health care delivery.

NMTB currently is a "pass-through" prime recipient, meaning it does not itself perform scientific research. Rather, it identifies, evaluates, selects and provides Federal funding to researchers throughout the country who accomplish the research projects. Subsequently, NMTB administers and enforces the award agreements, which are made through the execution of a subcooperative agreement between NMTB and the researcher's institution or company.

NMTB seeks and emphasizes the development of new technology for subsequent commercialization and medical use. NMTB's subcooperative agreements require award recipients (known as "subrecipients") to make reasonable efforts to commercialize the technology being developed (e.g., through licensing or product sales) and to agree to share with NMTB the revenue received from the commercialization.

Previously funded research areas have included medical instrumentation, management of trauma and shock, hypertension, diabetes, neurological disorders, the prevention of premature delivery, and modalities that may improve the rate of tissue and bone healing. Since its establishment, NMTB has funded over 110 projects. In last year's FY 2001 award cycle 34 awards were made with an average award amount of approximately

\$259,000. See the web site for the current areas of research emphasis.

Cancer, Oncology

(7) MESOTHELIOMA APPLIED RESEARCH FOUNDATION, INC. (MARF) RESEARCH GRANTS

Web site:

<http://www.marf.org/Grants/GrantContent.htm>

Application deadline: **June 15, 2002**

The Mesothelioma Applied Research Foundation, Inc. (MARF) announces its second competition for **mesothelioma benchwork and clinical research grants**. MARF is a 501(c)(3) tax-exempt charity whose mission is to eradicate mesothelioma as a life-ending disease. Applications for funding of innovative developmental projects are solicited to stimulate translational research for the treatment of pleural or intraperitoneal mesothelioma.

Mesothelioma is a cancer of the cells that make up the lining around the outside of the lungs and inside of the ribs (pleura), or around the abdominal organs (peritoneum). The only known cause is previous exposure to asbestos fibers.

Awards will be made for a period of 12 months, renewable for 12 more months with a funding of \$50,000 per year (total per project, \$100,000). MARF will require a presentation and progress report during the first year of the study in order to qualify for the second year's funds. Indirect costs are not paid.

Encouraged projects include, but are not limited to, benchwork/clinical investigations of:

- (1) strategies for early detection of new or progressive disease;
- (2) therapeutic intervention, including, gene therapy, immunotherapy, novel chemotherapeutic compounds, novel radiation techniques, novel mechanisms which inhibit angiogenesis or metalloproteinases;
- (3) determination of clinical/molecular determinants for prognosis.

Cardiovascular Biology

(8) AMERICAN HEART ASSOCIATION

RESEARCH FUNDING PROGRAMS

Web site: <http://www.americanheart.org/research>

Application deadlines: Scientist Development. Grant – **July 15, 2002 and January 13, 2003**
Established Investigator Award - **July 15, 2002 and January 13, 2003**
Grant-in-Aid – **July 16, 2002**

Please contact development officer Martha Dietz, 206-616-9684, mdietz@u.washington.edu for more information about applying for these grants.

The American Heart Association has announced its current national programs for funding research on cardiovascular function and diseases, stroke, and related basic science, clinical bioengineering, biotechnology, and public health problems. **Electronic submission is required.**

Scientist Development Grants are available to promising beginning scientists in their progress toward independence. Awards provide \$65,000 annually for four years.

Established Investigator Award supports investigators with unusual promise who have demonstrated a commitment to the cardiovascular or cerebrovascular science area as indicated by prior publication history and accomplishments. **New for this year - this is now a five-year award that pays \$100,000 annually.** At activation of this award, the PI should have been at the Assistant Professor level or equivalent for four-nine years.

Grant-in-Aid encourage and fund the most innovative and meritorious research projects from independent investigators. Eligibility is not restricted by seniority or academic rank. This is a three-year award that pays \$71,500 annually. **New for this year - this program is restricted to applicants with less than \$250,000 in total direct, non-institutional, annual funding.**

Applicants may apply for awards from AHA and the NW Affiliate (see below) but if selected by both, may choose only one award.

(9) AMERICAN HEART ASSOCIATION – NW AFFILIATE

PREDOCTORAL FELLOWSHIP, POSTDOCTORAL FELLOWSHIP

BEGINNING GRANT-IN-AID, GRANT-IN-AID

Web site: <http://www.americanheart.org/research>

Application deadlines: **July 17, 2002 and January 14, 2003**

Please contact development officer Martha Dietz, 206-616-9684, mdietz@u.washington.edu for more information about applying for these grants.

Electronic submission of applications is required for the following awards from the AHA Northwest Affiliate:

Predocctoral Fellowship help students initiate careers in cardiovascular or stroke research by providing research assistance and training. Fellowships can range from three months to two years with option to reapply for a third year. There is a \$16,500 stipend/year and \$4,125 maximum project support/yr.

Postdoctoral Fellowship help a trainee initiate a career in cardiovascular research while obtaining significant research results. This is for two years with the option for third year competitive renewal. Stipends range from \$28,260 to \$40,560 based on years of postdoctoral research experience, plus up to 25% for fringe benefits. Applicant must have Ph.D., M.D., D.O. or equivalent at activation.

Grant-in-Aid encourage and adequately fund the most innovative and meritorious research projects from independent investigators. This is a two-year grant that pays \$50,000 maximum per year. Indirect costs are not paid.

Beginning Grant-in-Aid promote the independent status of promising beginning scientists. This is a two-year grant that pays \$40,000 maximum per year. Indirect costs are not paid. At application, applicant must have M.D., Ph.D., D.O. or equivalent initiating independent research

Child Health

(10) DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

ADMINISTRATION FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

HEAD START GRANTS

Web site: http://frwebgate.access.gpo.gov/cgi-bin/getdoc.cgi?dbname=2002_register&docid=02-5088-filed (March 4, 2002 Federal Register announcement)

Application deadline: **May 3, 2002 (notify 4 weeks prior to this date with intention of submitting application)**

The Administration for Children and Families (ACF), Administration on Children, Youth and Families (ACYF) and Office of Planning, Research and Evaluation (OPRE) are inviting applications for three initiatives. The three priority areas are Head Start-University Partnerships for research activities to develop and test models that use child outcomes to support continuous program improvement in local Head Start programs; Early Head Start-University Partnerships for research activities to support the development of infant-toddler mental health; and Graduate Student Research Grants to support field-initiated research activities.

It is anticipated that four to six projects will be funded for the first two priority areas. Funding is available for five to 10 graduate student cooperative agreements of \$10,000-\$20,000 a year for two years.

The Head Start Research Support Technical Assistance Team (1-877) 663-0250, is available to answer questions regarding application requirements and to refer you to the appropriate contact person in ACYF for programmatic questions. You may e-mail your questions to: hsr@xtria.com. In order to determine the number of expert reviewers that will be necessary, the agency requests you send a post card, call or e-mail with your name, address, telephone and fax number, e-mail address of the principal investigator, and the name of the university or non-profit institution at least four weeks prior to the submission deadline date to: Head Start Research Support Team, 1749 Old Meadow Road, Suite 600, McLean, VA 22102. (1-877) 663-0250.

(11) SALOMON FAMILY FOUNDATION GRANTS

Web site:

<http://fdncenter.org/grantmaker/salomon/main.html>

Letter of inquiry deadline: **April 30, 2002**

The focus of the Salomon Family Foundation is the treatment of child abuse, with special emphasis on sexual abuse. At this time, the Foundation supports programs that provide the intensive and extensive treatment needed. The Foundation intends to fund organizations with established expertise in the field of child abuse treatment. Proposals are invited that present innovative approaches to the problem or reach families where abuse tends to remain hidden. Special preference will be given to programs that address treatment of the whole family.

The Salomon Family Foundation will award grants of up to \$150,000 for one- or two-year programs. Grants will be awarded only if consistent with the Salomon Family Foundation's mission and purpose. Proposals need not be restricted to any geographical area. New and innovative as well as established programs will be considered.

Prospective grantees should forward a letter outlining the grant proposal, its significance, projected budget requirements and the amount requested from the Salomon Family Foundation. If possible, this should be mailed electronically to Juliet Harrison, chair of the Foundation Grant Committee to sffgrants@lycosmail.com. If email is not an option, a hard copy of the letter should be sent to Ms. Harrison via mail at: Salomon Family Foundation, 97 Summit Drive, Hastings-on-Hudson, NY 10706. Should the Foundation Grant Committee determine the proposal will be considered, the Committee will request a complete grant proposal.

(12) BEA FOUNDATION

GRANTS

Web site:

http://bea.com/about/community/grant_program.shtml
(application requirements, grant eligibility quiz)

Application deadlines: **May 15**, August 15, November 15, February 15

The BEA Foundation provides grants to support programs that help pre-school age children live healthy lives and that encourage their early intellectual development. Funding is provided for projects that achieve school readiness by age five, increased availability and quality of early care and safe and supportive communities, where children have access to adequate food, shelter, and basic services, and are free from crime and violence.

Successful grant proposals will be selected based on the following criteria: programs that are consistent with the mission and values of The BEA Foundation; demonstrated project need; project innovation and creativity; clearly defined project outcomes and goals; project's potential to improve future practices; project's potential to be replicated; and qualifications of key individuals involved with the project. Typical grants range between \$1,000 and \$20,000 for a year.

The BEA Foundation awards grants to non-profits who serve the communities where it has company operations. The BEA Company is a software company with branches in Bellevue and Redmond, Washington.

Connective Tissue

(13) SOCIETY FOR PEDIATRIC DERMATOLOGY PEDIATRIC DERMATOLOGY RESEARCH GRANT

Web site:

<http://www.pedsderm.net/ResearchGrant.htm>

(application)

Application deadline: **May 1, 2002**

The Society for Pediatric Dermatology announces a call for proposals to compete for a grant of up to \$15,000 for scholarly clinical or basic research in the field of pediatric dermatology. The purpose of the grant is to encourage young investigators and to fund pilot projects. The award will be announced at the Society's Annual Meeting in Annapolis, Maryland July 17-20, 2002.

Environmental Health

(14) ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY NATIONAL CENTER FOR ENVIRONMENTAL RESEARCH SCIENCE TO ACHIEVE RESULTS (STAR) PROGRAM

**LIFESTYLE AND CULTURAL PRACTICES OF
TRIBAL POPULATIONS AND RISKS FROM TOXIC
SUBSTANCES**

Web site: http://es.epa.gov/ncer/rfa/02trib_risk.html

Application deadline: **July 10, 2002**

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's Office of Research and Development and the U.S. Department of Health and Human Service's Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry are seeking applications for research on lifestyle and cultural practices of Tribal

populations and risks from toxic substances in the environment. Tribal populations may be at especially high risk for environmentally-caused diseases and health outcomes as a result of their subsistence lifestyles, occupations and customs, and/or environmental releases impacting tribal lands. This solicitation invites applications in two areas of current interest, the development of: (1) exposure and effects assessment methods that can be broadly applied across geographic regions and Tribal populations and (2) risk management strategies and options that will lead to reduction in risk from exposure.

EPA will award three or four grants for up to \$150,000 a year for up to three years.

Genetics, Genetic Diseases

(15) NATIONAL ORGANIZATION FOR RARE DISORDERS (NORD) RESEARCH GRANTS

Web site: <http://www.rarediseases.org/cgi-bin/nord>

Letter of intent deadline: **May 15, 2002**

The purpose of the NORD Research Grant Program is to encourage meritorious clinical studies designed to improve the diagnosis or therapy of rare "orphan" diseases. Grants will be awarded to academic researchers to initiate small clinical trials, the results of which could be used to obtain funding from NIH, FDA or other funding agencies, or to attract a corporate sponsor.

NORD is accepting applications for one-year grants for clinical research studies related to the early detection, diagnosis, or treatment of patients with the following rare diseases or syndromes:

- (1) Adenoid Cystic Carcinoma (ACC)** is a rarely occurring malignant neoplasm that most frequently develops in the minor and major salivary glands in the head and neck region.
- (2) Hallervorden-Spatz Syndrome** is a rare, genetic, neurological disorder characterized by the accumulation of iron deposits in the brain and progressive degeneration of the nervous system.
- (3) Mastocytosis** is a rare disorder characterized by abnormal accumulations of mast cells in skin, bone marrow, and internal organs such as the liver, spleen and lymph nodes.

Grants not to exceed \$30,000 for one year will be awarded by NORD for the support of clinical research in these three areas. Letters of intent are due May 15, 2002.

Applicants will be notified if invited to complete a full proposal.

Health Care

(16) AGENCY FOR HEALTHCARE RESEARCH AND QUALITY (<http://www.ahrq.gov>)

AHRQ SOLICITS CAREER DEVELOPMENT (K) GRANTS IN PATIENT SAFETY

Release Date: December 20, 2001 NOTICE: NOT-HS-02-001

Web site: <http://grants1.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-HS-02-001.html>

The Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ) launched a major initiative on December 20, 2001 to reduce medical errors and improve patient safety. With this initiative, AHRQ is funding research and training grants to help identify the causes of medical errors and develop effective solutions to strengthen quality of care across the country. Further information about AHRQ's research agenda in this area can be found on the Agency web-site at: <http://www.ahrq.gov/qual/errorsix.htm>. In particular, this notice announces AHRQ's interest in funding career development (K) grants to investigators who want to develop their research careers in areas related to patient safety. Information about AHRQ-sponsored career development grants can also be found on the Agency web site at: <http://www.ahrq.gov/fund/training/trainix.htm##>.

It is expected that these grant applications will include projects addressing key unanswered questions about how errors occur and provide science-based information on what patients, clinicians, hospital leaders, policymakers and others can do to make the health care system safer. Research results will identify improvement strategies that work in hospitals, doctors' offices, nursing homes, and other health care settings across the nation.

Questions regarding this Notice can be submitted to: Debbie Rothstein, Ph.D., AHRQ, Office of Research Review, Education, and Policy, 2101 East Jefferson Street, Suite 400, Rockville, MD 20852, Phone: (301) 594-2918, Fax: (301) 594-1401, Email: DRothste@AHRQ.GOV

(17) THE LAWRENCE FOUNDATION GRANTS

Web site:

<http://www.thelawrencefoundation.org/grant/> (grant guidelines, recipients)

Letter of inquiry deadline: **August 1**, February 1

The Lawrence Foundation was established in 2000 by Jeff Lawrence and his wife Diane Troth after the communications software company he co-founded, Trillium Systems, was acquired by Intel. In its first two years, it has focused support on the areas of education, the environment and health. Grants are awarded twice a year in a two-step process of a letter of inquiry and then invitation to complete a full application. Grant recipients in 2000 and 2001 in the health area were primarily in support of programs or policy. Grant amounts have ranged from \$5,000 to \$10,000 for one year.

(18) ROBERT WOOD JOHNSON FOUNDATION LOCAL INITIATIVES FUNDING PARTNERS PROGRAM

Web site:

<http://www.lifp.org/html/local.initiatives.funding.partners.how.to.apply.html>

Deadlines: Pre-registration on-line by **July 26, 2002**. Letter of recommendation and concept paper due **August 1, 2002**

The Local Initiative Funding Partners (LIFP) program is a matching grants program designed to establish partnerships between The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation and local grantmakers in support of innovative, community-based projects that improve health and health care for underserved and at-risk populations.

LIFP provides 36- or 48-month grants of \$100,000 to \$500,000. Grants must be matched dollar for dollar by local sources. In 2003, up to \$8 million will be awarded under the program.

Under LIFP, local grantmakers (such as community foundations, family foundations, corporate grantmakers, and others) propose a partnership with RWJF to fund a new initiative. Grants may be made to community nonprofit organizations or institutions.

To be eligible for LIFP funding, projects must offer community-based services that are new and innovative for the community, or for the larger region. Significant program expansions for projects started within the last year—such as an ambitious expansion into new regions or to new populations—also are acceptable. Priority will be given projects that seek to reduce the use of tobacco, alcohol and other drugs.

Applicants may be either public entities or nonprofit organizations that are tax-exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and not classified as a private foundation under Section 509(a).

There is a two-part application process. Stage 1 consists of a letter of recommendation and concept paper from the local grantmaker nominating the local applicant's project. Selected applicants will be invited to submit full proposals in Stage 2.

Current Washington projects include the Pike Place Market Senior Wellness Program and Legacy House/Seattle Chinatown International District Preservation and Development Authority.

Hematology

(19) THE HEMOPHILIA ASSOCIATION OF NEW YORK RESEARCH GRANTS

No web site

Application deadline: **May 15, 2002**

The Hemophilia Association of New York (HANY) invites grant applications for studies which may lead to improvement in the treatment of patients with hemophilia and other congenital bleeding disorders. A grant will be for two years to a maximum of \$90,000 (for the combined years including institutional overhead), with no more than 60% of the total grant payable in a single year. The granted amount shall be inclusive of institutional overhead, which HANY limits to a maximum of 10% of the project total. The grant may not be used for salary support for the principal investigator, and items of equipment costing more than \$ 1,000 will not be funded. Special consideration will be given to applications by younger investigators (less than five years after completing post doctoral fellowship). Awards will be announced by July 1, with the period of support beginning July 1, 2002.

HANY is an independent association. It is not affiliated with the National Hemophilia Foundation. Applications are accepted nationwide. No preference is given to applicants from New York. Application instructions and checklist are available by calling HANY at 212-682-5510 (m-f, 9:00 am - 4:30 pm Eastern time). You may request that they be faxed or mailed to you. For more information on this grant, ask to speak to Tom Harrington, Executive Director.

Imaging

(20) NATIONAL INSTITUTE ON DRUG ABUSE (NIDA)

IMAGING – SCIENCE TRACK AWARD FOR
RESEARCH TRANSITION (I/START)

RELEASE DATE: February 6, 2002 PA NUMBER:
PAR-02-058

EXPIRATION DATE: May 14, 2005, unless reissued

Web site: <http://grants2.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-02-058.html>

Funding Mechanism: **RO3**

Application receipt date: **May 14, 2002, October 1, 2002;**
standard receipt dates thereafter.

The National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA) seeks to help new investigators enter brain imaging/clinical neurobiology research. This Program Announcement invites applications for the **Imaging Science Track Award for Research Transition (I/START)** program, which is a new program developed by NIDA to foster new investigators in areas of brain imaging and drug abuse research. The application of brain imaging has become widespread; however, it is sometimes difficult for new investigators to obtain independent funding in this area. In many research domains, junior investigators are given institutional support sufficient to conduct preliminary studies. However, in contrast, the costs of obtaining preliminary data for clinical neurobiology techniques such as brain imaging (e.g., PET and MRI scans) often serve a prohibitive barrier to starting investigators. This award will allow for the design and collection of "proof of concept" brain imaging data that can then be used in the transition to more extensive research proposals.

The I/START program uses a brief application form and a rapid review process to ensure expedited funding decisions. Funding is limited to direct costs for one year of up to \$150,000 and is non-renewable.

Because this announcement targets newly independent investigators, this mechanism is ideal for obtaining preliminary data that could serve as the basis for a subsequent grant application using other mechanisms of support. Therefore, under this PA, inclusion of preliminary data is not a requirement and is not encouraged.

Immunology

**(21) NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF ALLERGY AND INFECTIOUS DISEASES (NIAID)
NATIONAL CANCER INSTITUTE (NCI)
NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF CHILD HEALTH AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT (NICHD)
NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF DENTAL AND CRANIOFACIAL RESEARCH (NIDCR)**

INNOVATION GRANTS FOR RESEARCH IN HUMAN IMMUNOLOGY

RELEASE DATE: March 7, 2002 PA NUMBER: PA-02-073

EXPIRATION DATE: January 3, 2003, unless reissued.

Web site: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-02-073.html>

Funding mechanism: **R21**

The purpose of this PA is to bring new, scientifically challenging and untested ideas into the exploration of the human immune system. There are a number of critical questions in human immunology that remain unanswered, and new ideas and fresh approaches are needed. It is anticipated that furthering understanding of human immunology will have ultimate impact on better understanding of immunologic and infectious diseases in man, the latter including those caused by HIV, agents of bioterrorism, and emerging and re-emerging infections. Applications are especially welcome from new investigators.

Through this PA, the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases of the National Institutes of Health in collaboration with the Institutes and Centers listed above seeks to encourage research projects that will take a fresh approach at tackling these questions

This PA will use the National Institutes of Health (NIH) research project grant, R21(exploratory/developmental) award mechanism. Applicants may request up to two years of support and up to \$150,000 per annum in direct costs.

Information Technology

**(22) MARKLE FOUNDATION
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGIES FOR BETTER HEALTH**

Web site: http://www.markle.org/gpi/gpi_index.stm

No deadlines – Request application form by emailing proposals@markle.org

The Markle Foundation uses four primary strategies to pursue the goal of accelerating the rate at which consumers and patients use information technology to improve their health and health care. They do this through influencing policy, supporting research, incubating solutions, and engaging the public. They are particularly interested in learning how and why consumers/patients benefit from technology-enabled health information and services and analyzing the factors contributing to their success. Research includes the need to answer these questions in diverse populations with attention to the underserved.

Markle seeks examples of health information technology applications that engage consumers/patients in the maintenance of their own health and wellness, particularly those that are consumer-controlled and are portable and interoperable from health care provider to provider over a long-term period. Markle also has interest in the development of systems that enable consumer/patient access to information about the health system, the quality of care including information about doctors, hospitals, and health plans; as well as systems that deliver timely, useful information to caregivers at the point of care. Markle is interested in exploring new ways to use interactive technology to engage and inform the public in health care issues.

Grants have ranged from \$1000 to \$3,500,000. They fund few unsolicited proposals. They do maintain a database of potential partners. To get on this list, request an application by submitting an email to proposals@markle.org. If your project or organizational objectives are in line with its strategy, your information will be entered into its database. Program staff members regularly review this database to identify project partners. If your capabilities meet its needs, you will be invited to submit a full proposal.

Life Sciences

**(23) HARRY FRANK GUGGENHEIM
FOUNDATION
RESEARCH FOR UNDERSTANDING AND
REDUCING VIOLENCE, AGGRESSION AND
DOMINANCE**

Web site: <http://www.hfg.org/html/pages/grants.htm>

Application deadline: **August 1, 2002**

The foundation places a priority on the study of urgent problems of violence and aggression in the modern world and also encourages related research projects in neuroscience, genetics, animal behavior, the social

sciences, history, criminology, and the humanities which illuminate modern human problems. Grants have been made to study aspects of violence related to youth, family relationships, media effects, crime, biological factors, intergroup conflict related to religion, ethnicity, and nationalism, and political violence deployed in war and sub-state terrorism, as well as processes of peace and the control of aggression.

The foundation awards grants in the range of \$15,000-\$30,000 for periods of one to two years. Awards are made to the individual but can be administered by the institution. Regardless of whether the grant funds are paid to the grantee directly or are paid to an institution on behalf of the grantee, the grantee may be liable for some taxes on funds awarded, depending on locality, tax status, timing, nature of the award, etc. The foundation does not provide advice on tax matters. Applicants should consult their own tax advisors to determine the tax consequences to them of receiving a research grant.

Their web site provides specific advice about preparing an application, with particular emphasis on budgets.

Molecular Biology

(24) SOCIETY FOR BIOMOLECULAR SCREENING

SMALL GRANTS PROGRAM

Web site: <http://www.sbsonline.com/smallgrant.html>

Application deadline: **May 31, 2002**

The Society For Biomolecular Screening has established an endowment for initiation of a small grants program. These grants will provide start-up funding for research projects with potential to advance the disciplines, technologies and skills involved in screening and molecular discovery, including the support of graduate or undergraduate training in these areas. The program is intended to support projects that may have an applied focus or those that may involve radically new concepts. Awards will be for up to \$15,000 for one year with indirect costs up to 25%.

Eligible applicants must be employed full time in a college, university or not-for-profit research institute in order to serve as principal investigators (PI). Applications are considered without regard to race, religion, national origin, physical handicap or age of the candidates. The Society for Biomolecular Screening's mission is to further the science and applications of Molecular Discovery by supporting basic research and training in academic institutions.

Awards will be made in August with funding to begin September 2002.

Nephrology

(25) PKD FOUNDATION

(Polycystic Kidney Disease Foundation)

2003 RESEARCH GRANTS and

2003 FELLOWSHIPS

Web site: <http://www.pkdcure.org/profess4.htm>

(new forms should be available on web site by mid-April)

Application deadline: **August 1, 2002**

Basic and clinical investigators with faculty status may apply for one-year grants up to \$50,000 and two-year grants up to \$100,000. Indirect costs are allowed for up to 10% of the grant and are to be inclusive in the requested amount.

Priority will be given proposals addressing promising new areas of study that may serve as the first step in obtaining long term funding from the National Institutes of Health (NIH) and other major granting agencies or studies that will directly impact the understanding of the mechanisms of the disease and/or the clinical care of individuals with PKD. PKD also awards two-year fellowship grants for up to \$40,000 per year pending scientific review and availability of funds.

Neurobiology

(26) CHRISTOPHER REEVE PARALYSIS FOUNDATION

RESEARCH GRANTS PROGRAM

Application deadline: **June 15, 2002, December 15, 2002**

Web site:

http://www.paralysis.org/research/research_dga.cfm

Please contact development officer Clare Bland, 206-521-1671, cbland@u.washington.edu for more information about applying for these grants.

The mission of the Christopher Reeve Paralysis Foundation is to support cutting-edge research to develop effective treatments and cure for paralysis caused by spinal cord injury and other central nervous system disorders. The **Research Grants Program** supports researchers with two-year awards at a maximum of \$75,000 per year (10% maximum for indirect costs). The goals of this program are to (1) encourage promising new investigators to undertake research on regeneration and recovery, particularly with respect to the spinal cord; (2)

encourage researchers who are well-established in other areas to transfer their efforts to spinal cord research; and (3) enable researchers with novel ideas to test their ideas and develop pilot data for seeking larger awards from NIH and other funding sources. CRPF encourages research grant applicants to seek support from more than one funding source, if this fits the applicant's situation. Whenever applicable, CRPF will seek to co-fund projects that have overlapping funding requests approved by another organization. Senior scientists and postdoctoral fellows may serve as principal investigator. Postdoctoral fellows must submit a letter of support from the laboratory's senior scientist, as well as two other appropriate letters of reference. Robert Hevner, M.D., Ph.D., Assistant Professor of Pathology of the University of Washington, received a grant in 2001 from the Christopher Reeve Paralysis Foundation.

Nursing

(27) AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF CRITICAL-CARE NURSES

SMALL GRANTS

MEDTRONICS PHYSIO-CONTROL AACN SMALL PROJECTS PROGRAM

Web site: <http://www.aacn.org> (announcement, application form)

Application deadline: **July 1, 2002**

This grant funds an award up to \$1,500 to a qualified individual carrying out a project focusing on aspects of acute myocardial infarction, resuscitation or sudden cardiac death, such as the use of defibrillation, synchronized cardioversion, non-invasive pacing, or interpretive 12-lead electrocardiogram. Eligible projects may include patient education programs, staff development programs, competency-based educational programs, CQI projects, outcomes evaluation projects, or small clinical research studies.

Funds may be awarded for new projects, projects in progress and projects required for an academic degree as long as all other project criteria are met. Collaborative projects are encouraged and may involve interdisciplinary teams, multiple nursing units, home health, subacute and transitional care, other institutions or community agencies.

Funds may be used to cover direct project expenses, such as printed materials, small equipment or supplies including computer software. Funds may not be used for salaries or institutional overhead.

Orthopaedics

(28) ORTHOPAEDIC RESEARCH AND EDUCATION FOUNDATION

RESEARCH and CAREER DEVELOPMENT GRANTS

Application deadline: August 1, 2002

Web site:

<http://www.oref.org/grants/grants.html>

(applications available on web site by April 2002)

OREF raises more than \$5 million annually for orthopaedics research. Funding opportunities include: **Research Grants** encourage new investigators by providing seed money and start-up funding of up to \$50,000 each year for up to two years, conditional upon annual review. The principal investigator or co-principal investigator must be an orthopaedic surgeon. Ph. D.'s and D.V.M.'s are eligible if they are affiliated with an orthopaedic department with an orthopaedic surgeon as the principal investigator or co-principal investigator. Funds may not be used for salary.

Career Development Awards encourage a commitment to scientific research in orthopaedic surgery. Candidates must have completed a residency in orthopaedic surgery and demonstrated a sustained interest in research and excellence in clinical training. Letters of support must offer evidence of the candidate's potential to develop as an investigator. Budget may include salary support. Awards of up to \$75,000 each year for three years, conditional upon annual review, will be considered.

Prospective Clinical Research Grants provide funding for promising prospective clinical research projects. Awards of up to \$50,000 each year for up to three years, conditional upon annual review, will be considered on all topics.

Resident Research Awards - The objective of these grants is to encourage development of research interests for residents and fellows in approved orthopaedic programs. Grants of \$15,000 are offered in January and July to be used over twelve months to cover research expenses except for salary or travel.

Sulzer Orthopaedics Resident Grant for Growth Factor Research - This \$15,000 grant was created to encourage new research efforts in applications of growth factor technology to orthopaedic hard and soft tissue applications. The OREF Peer Review committee will select the recipient based on the scientific merit of the submitted study proposal. Proposals can be of a basic science, non-clinical or clinical nature encompassing applications of growth factors to advancing orthopaedic medicine, with primary applications in hard and soft tissue repair and regeneration.

The Zimmer Surgical Career Development Award Program - The goal of this program is to advance the

scientific and/or clinical training of new orthopaedic surgeons who have a clinical or scientific interest in total joint surgery and/or trauma treatment. Awards include support for an individual receiving training or pursuing investigation, support for travel that furthers training or investigation, or support to provide for special resources required to advance training or investigation. The candidate and the sponsoring institution will develop the specific training and/or research plan. **Zimmer has also added two new awards. Minority and female surgeons are encouraged to apply for awards reviewed and selected by members of the J. Robert Gladden and Ruth Jackson Orthopaedic Societies.**

Otolaryngology

(29) DEAFNESS RESEARCH FOUNDATION OTOLOGIC RESEARCH GRANTS

Web site:

<http://www.drf.org/grants/applygrants.asp?section=grants> (announcement, applications)

Application deadlines: **June 1, 2002 (new)**,
August 1, 2002 (renewals)

The Deafness Research Foundation invites applications for grants available in year 2003 in support of research projects that promise to advance understanding of the causes, treatment and prevention of deafness and related ear disorders. The grants will be awarded to tax-exempt institutions in the United States for projects beginning January 1, 2003, with the principal investigator of each project a member of the staff of such institution. Grant support is given for one year, in an amount that cannot exceed \$20,000 or \$50,000, but can competitively be renewed for one or two additional years. Applications are reviewed for the scientific merit of the proposed investigations and for their direct or potential clinical value. The current policy favors the awarding of grants in support of projects directed by new investigators, so-called "seed money" support for studies in generally unexplored areas of research. It does not exclude grant support for new research by established investigators.

Pharmacology

(30) AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF PHARMACEUTICAL SCIENTISTS NEW INVESTIGATOR GRANT IN ORAL LIPID- BASED DRUG DELIVERY SYSTEMS

Web site:

<http://www.aapspharmaceutica.com/resources/fellows/awardinfo.htm>

Application deadline: **May 6, 2002**

The Lipid-Based Drug Delivery Systems Focus Group of AAPS, with support from the French pharmaceutical company Gattefosse s.a., is sponsoring an annual grant in the amount of \$25,000 to support the efforts of new academic researchers actively engaged in research in the area of lipid-based systems for oral drug delivery.

Applicants must demonstrate a commitment to conduct research addressing the pharmaceutical, biopharmaceutical, or pharmaceutical technology issues pertaining to the use of lipid excipients in the design of oral dosage forms for poorly water-soluble drugs. In addition, applicants must demonstrate the potential for outstanding achievement in teaching and research in these areas, as well as the potential for future leadership in oral lipid-based drug delivery. Nominees must have less than seven years of academic experience and less than ten years of total postdoctoral experience.

The award will be dispersed in two equal payments of \$12,500 each over a period of two years.

Psychiatry, Behavior

(31) NATIONAL ALLIANCE FOR RESEARCH ON SCHIZOPHRENIA AND AFFECTIVE DISORDERS (NARSAD)

2003 YOUNG INVESTIGATOR AWARD

Web site:

<http://www.mhsource.com/narsad/research/yigdlms.html>

Application deadline: **July 25, 2002 (Do not submit before June 1, 2002)**

The NARSAD **Young Investigator Award Program** offers up to \$30,000 a year for up to two years to enable promising investigators to either extend their research fellowship training or to begin careers as independent research faculty. The program is intended to encourage innovative research opportunities and supports basic and/or clinical investigators, but research must be relevant

to schizophrenia, major affective disorders or other serious mental illnesses including research with bipolar disease, borderline disorders with depression and suicide, and research with children.

On July 25, 2002, the applicant must have a doctoral level degree and already be employed in research training, or be in a faculty or independent research position. This award is intended to support post-doctoral fellows and assistant professors (or equivalent). Predoctoral students are not eligible for this award. Investigators who hold the rank of associate professor or equivalent are not eligible. Applicant must have a mentor or senior collaborator who is an established investigator in areas relevant to schizophrenia, affective disorders or other serious mental illness. This program does not pay for indirect costs.

(32) NATIONAL ALLIANCE FOR RESEARCH ON SCHIZOPHRENIA AND AFFECTIVE DISORDERS (NARSAD)

2003 DISTINGUISHED INVESTIGATOR AWARD

Web site:

<http://www.mhsource.com/narsad/research/diprogram.html>

Letter of intent deadline: **May 15, 2002**

NARSAD's Distinguished Investigator Award

Program provides support for experienced investigators (full professor or equivalent) conducting neurobiological research. A one-year award of \$100,000 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: (1) patient populations with unique or unusual characteristics and (2) central nervous system developments.

Respiratory Biology

(33) AMERICAN ASSOCIATION FOR RESPIRATORY CARE RESEARCH PROGRAM

Web site: <http://www.aarc.org/awards/program.html> (research plan abstract)

Application deadlines: **February 1, June 1, October 1**

Please contact development officer Clare Bland, 206-521-1671, cbland@u.washington.edu for more information about applying for these grants.

The primary purpose of the AARC Research Program is to sponsor research initiatives which can document the clinical and economic impact of respiratory care

practitioners in the health care delivery. Clinical trials and effectiveness research to determine how clinical interventions by respiratory care practitioners affect overall patient health, including physiologic indicators and quality of life, will be considered for funding.

The AARC requires submission of a "Research Plan Abstract" form prior to the submission of a complete application. These abstracts will be used to plan the proposal review process. The abstract is not binding on the AARC or the applicant. The AARC will forward application packages to those submitting abstracts which propose a research project which supports the AARC's Research Agenda. The AARC will notify the applicant if a full application is not warranted.

Research proposals in the following care settings will receive priority: home health, outpatient clinics and physician offices, long term, managed, integrated delivery systems and other settings outside inpatient areas within acute care hospitals.

OTHER CATEGORIES

Postdoctoral Fellowships

(34) OPEN SOCIETY INSTITUTE MEDICINE AS A PROFESSION SOROS ADVOCACY FELLOWSHIPS FOR PHYSICIANS

Web site:

http://www.soros.org/medicine/advocacy_guidelines.htm

Application deadline: **June 20, 2002, January 14, 2003**

The Open Society Institute (OSI) has established the **Soros Advocacy Fellowship for Physicians** to inspire the profession to greater participation in civil society, service to the community, and active engagement on behalf of the public interest. It is part of its program on Medicine as a Profession (MAP). Given the limited record of civic engagement on the part of the profession, MAP seeks to promote physician advocacy driven by a broader vision of societal welfare as a core professional activity in the twenty-first century.

The Soros Advocacy Fellowship for Physicians is designed to enable physicians to develop or strengthen advocacy skills through collaboration with U.S.-based

advocacy organizations during a **12-24 month** fellowship period. The Fellowship will also enable medical professionals to develop and implement new approaches that further the missions of the advocacy organizations. Participating physicians will design and implement projects that address health and service delivery, or other social issues such as racism, violence, environmental hazards, and education. Projects must be focused within the United States and should identify system or policy level changes as the outcomes of the fellowship work. Project design should not be limited to the collection or analysis of data or delivery of direct services, but should promote solutions to specific problems.

The program selects up to 10 fellows a year for fellowship periods of **12-24 months**, with a minimum 50% time commitment. Awards range from \$40,000 to \$80,000 in salary support, plus fringe, depending on the fellows' time commitment, prior experience and base salary. The program will also provide up to \$2,000 in funds for the fellow's travel to MAP sponsored meetings. Sponsoring advocacy organizations will be requested to cover overhead costs necessary to house the Fellow. They may request up to \$5000 from MAP to cover the organization's added costs associated with implementing the Fellow's project.

Applicants must apply for the fellowship with the commitment of an advocacy organization that is prepared to house, mentor, and support them throughout the fellowship period. A list of advocacy organizations that have expressed interest participating in the fellowship is available at www.soros.org/medicine/advocacy_orgs.htm

MAP encourages applications from physicians at all stages of their careers. Fellows will be chosen based on their achievements, a demonstrated commitment to public interest work, the strength of their proposed project, and the commitment of the participating organization. Projects will be judged on the capacity both of the individual and the organization to successfully implement the project and how well the project uses advocacy strategies to address the needs of the target population.

Minority Researchers

(35) UNITED NEGRO COLLEGE FUND, INC./PFIZER, INC.

UNCF-PFIZER BIOMEDICAL RESEARCH INITIATIVE

UNCF-PFIZER POSTDOCTORAL FELLOWSHIPS

Web site: <http://www.uncf.org/Pfizer/> (application forms and instructions)

Application deadline: **April 15, 2002**

The United Negro College Fund and Pfizer Inc. have established a partnership to support the career development of under-represented minority post-graduates in the biomedical research fields.

At least four postdoctoral fellowships will be awarded in 2002. Each fellowship will provide a maximum of **\$53,500** of support, which includes a stipend of up to \$44,500, fringe benefits of up to \$4,000 and supplies, equipment and travel of up to \$5,000. The fellowship is intended to provide 12-24 months of support. A maximum of \$35,000 of stipend may be received in any 12-month period. These fellowships may not be used to support institutional indirect costs or faculty and staff salaries, travel, benefits, etc.

To be eligible, you must be a member of a minority group that is under-represented in the biomedical science research fields; a post-graduate holding a Ph.D. or equivalent doctoral degree in a life or physical science currently or by the end of the 2001-2002 academic year; and appointed as a postdoctoral fellow during the 2002 calendar year at an academic or non-academic research institution in the USA including Pfizer (other private industrial labs are excluded).

(36) NATIONAL HEART, LUNG, AND BLOOD INSTITUTE (NHLBI)

NHLBI MENTORED MINORITY FACULTY DEVELOPMENT AWARD (K01)

RELEASE DATE: March 6, 2002 RFA: HL-02-022

Web site: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-HL-02-022.html>

Letter of intent receipt date: **May 20, 2002**

Application receipt date: **June 19, 2002**

Funding Mechanism: **K01**

The NHLBI Mentored Minority Faculty Development Award is a three to five-year award made to underrepresented minority faculty members, with varying levels of research experience, who are committed to developing into independent biomedical investigators in research areas relevant to the mission of the NHLBI. The award will enable suitable faculty members holding doctoral degrees, such as the Ph.D., M.D., D.O., D.V.M., or an equivalent, to undertake special study and supervised research under a mentor who is an accomplished investigator in the research area proposed and has experience in developing independent investigators.

This program provides research development opportunities for underrepresented minority faculty members with varying levels of research experience. The research development program of the candidate should be based on their scholastic background, previous research experience, past achievements, and potential to develop into an independent research investigator. Minority scientists and physicians with limited research experience needing guided course work and supervised laboratory experiences, as well as minority faculty needing only an intensive research experience under the guidance of an established scientist, are eligible to apply. It is envisioned that most candidates for this award will hold non-tenured faculty appointments (such as instructor or assistant professor) although in some instances other individuals may be eligible to apply (such as individuals due to be appointed to a faculty position or individuals with tenured faculty positions).

This RFA will use the NHLBI Mentored Minority Faculty Development Award (K01) mechanism of support. The total project period for an application submitted in response to this RFA must be at least three but not more than five years. The anticipated award date is April 1, 2003. For this RFA, no detailed budget is required. However, total direct costs for all years must be provided in addition to the name, role on project, percent effort and narrative justification for all key project personnel.

The estimated funds (total costs) available for the first year of support for the entire program is expected to be \$1.2 million in Fiscal Year 2003 (October 1, 2002-September 30, 2003). The actual amount may vary, depending on the response to the RFA and availability of funds. Ten to twelve new awards are anticipated.

For the purpose of this program, underrepresented minority faculty members are defined as individuals belonging to a particular ethnic or racial group that has been determined by the grantee institution to be underrepresented in biomedical or behavioral research. Nationally, the NHLBI considers Black, Hispanic, American Indian, Alaska Native and Pacific Islanders to be underrepresented.

**(37) AMERICAN COLLEGE OF
NEUROPSYCHOPHARMACOLOGY**
2002 POSTDOCTORAL FELLOWSHIP AWARDS FOR
MINORITIES

Web site: <http://www.acnp.org/postdoc.php>
(application form)

Application deadline: **May 17, 2002**

The objective of the Minority Travel Fellowship Program is to encourage the development of young scientists of ethnic and racial minorities who have through their research, teaching, or clinical activities demonstrated professional and scientific interest in the field of neuropsychopharmacology.

Up to five applicants will be selected to attend the ACNP's annual meeting. Attendance is limited only to those participants from around the world who have made major and significant research or clinical contributions in our area of special interest and expertise. The College selects, through a national process open to all beginning researchers, a small number of young scientists to be invited to the meeting. Each award will include roundtrip coach airfare for recipient to attend the ACNP Annual Meeting in San Juan, Puerto Rico, December 8-12, 2002 plus paid travel expenses and the opportunity to present a poster.

Eligible candidates must be American citizens or permanent visa residents; hold a Ph.D. or M.D. whose degree has been awarded within the last seven years (1995 or later) and who is engaged in basic or clinical biomedical research or teaching, or is assisting in clinical trials; indicate an interest in neuropsychopharmacology and, if possible, provide evidence of continuing and future involvement and activity in the field. An additional important factor for selection is that candidates be members of an ethnic minority group underrepresented in biomedical science areas, including but not limited to African-Americans and Hispanics living in the continental United States.

Equipment, Instrumentation

(38) GATEWAY COMPUTERS OLYMPIC SPONSORSHIP PC DONATION PROGRAM

Web site:

<http://www.gateway.com/olympics/donations.shtml>

On-line application will be posted **April 11, 2002**

Gateway Computers will be donating up to 4500 computers to non-profit organizations with priority given to schools and community centers whose programs help enhance access to technology for traditionally under-served communities. These computers were used at the 2002 Salt Lake Olympics to track official event results, statistics and standings for athletes, coaches, spectators, officials and the media.

The Research Funding Service assists grant seekers in the UW Health Sciences with locating funding for research, training, and other program needs.

Consultation appointments are available between 1:30 and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. We're here to help you. Try our new on-line consultation request at <http://healthlinks.washington.edu/hsc/rfs/consultform.html> or call us at (206) 685-8036. Our office is located within the Health Sciences Libraries and Information Center, in room T-311.

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Thanks Bronwen!

The Research Funding Service bids goodbye to Bronwen Serna who leaves RFS at the end of April. Bronwen started working for us in the fall of 1998 as a student assistant and continued as an hourly employee after she graduated from the UW in Environmental Studies last June.

Bronwen has helped us advertise our activities, track down information about funding opportunities, develop and track our Web statistics, and build two databases that should make us more efficient and effective. She's a lively whirlwind, who managed a heavy courseload and work schedule with a bright smile and enthusiasm. We simply could not have provided our services without her.

In addition to her administrative skills, she's also one of the best baristas in town, if not the entire country. Her "other" job is as a barista at Zoka's Coffee at Green Lake. This coffee house was recently cited by USA Today as one of the 10 best in the nation.

We wish Bronwen all the best in her future career as an environmentalist. Thanks, Bronwen, for all you've done for us.