

Immune Deficiency Foundation Research Grant Program

The Immune Deficiency Foundation (IDF) is pleased to announce the availability of a “seed grant” program to encourage and support “Patient Oriented Research on Primary Immunodeficiency Diseases.” Open to applicants currently based in the U.S., one-year grants may be awarded in the range of \$1,000 to \$25,000 with the availability of slightly higher levels of support for a few exceptional proposals. Investigators (MD, PhD, RN) with an interest in pursuing a career in primary immunodeficiency diseases (PI) and research are particularly encouraged to apply.

Applications will be scored on four areas: Significance, Approach, Investigator Qualifications, and Facilities including access to patients with PI and/or their data. No funds may be applied to institutional overhead, and because this program is about patient oriented research, no proposals using animal models will be funded.

Applications are limited to 3 pages including an abstract of the proposal (up to 300 words), the background with description of the relevance and significance of the proposed research, the specific aims, and the methods to be employed. In addition, (not included in the 3-page limit), include a budget with justification for the proposed expenditures, a listing of other support available for the applicant, a CV or bio sketch of the investigators and letters from collaborators agreeing to participate. For trainees, letters of recommendation from the training program director and support from the mentor are also requested.

Investigators are reminded that the data in the United States Immunodeficiency Network (USIDNET) Patient Registry (www.usidnet.org) and IDF PI CONNECT (www.idfpiconnect.org) are available for use in these grant-supported projects. Specific research projects that IDF is particularly interested in supporting may be posted on the IDF website (www.primaryimmune.org). At the end of the grant period, awardees will provide a scientific summary and a copy of a submitted work product (manuscript, abstract, poster presentation, etc.) with Immune Deficiency Foundation support acknowledged. Any funds not utilized will be returned to IDF.

For proposals requiring IRB review and approval, IDF will provide 20% of the award initially with the remaining 80% dispersed when IRB approval is documented.

Application Deadlines: July 31, 2016 and January 31, 2017
Date of Grant Award: by October 31, 2016 and April 30, 2017

The grant guidelines and submission form may be found at: <http://primaryimmune.org/idf-research-grant-program/>.

Any questions may be directed to IDFGrant@primaryimmune.org or 800-296-4433.