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I. Alzheimer's Drug Discovery Foundation (ADDF)
Accelerating Drug Discovery for Frontotemporal Degeneration

Deadline (LOI): July 31, 2017
Amount: $100,000-$150,000 for 1 year
Number of Grants/Year: N/A
Eligibility: Academic investigators seeking to create and support innovative translational programs in academic medical centers and universities.

The Alzheimer's Drug Discovery Foundation (ADDF) and The Association for Frontotemporal Degeneration (AFTD) seek to accelerate and support innovative drug discovery programs for FTD through this Request for Proposals (RFP).

Priority Areas:

- Development and testing of novel high throughput screening assays
- Identification and in vitro testing of potentially disease modifying compounds or biologics, including medicinal chemistry refinement, ADME, toxicology, pharmacokinetics, and pharmacodynamics studies
- Testing of novel lead compounds, biologics, or repurposed drug candidates in a relevant animal model for preclinical proof of concept
- Development and/or characterization of new model organisms or cellular models to support drug discovery efforts.

Biomarker Development

Deadline (LOI): July 31, 2017
Amount: $150,000-$300,000 for up to 2 years
Number of Grants/Year: N/A
Eligibility: Academic investigators seeking to create and support innovative translational programs in academic medical centers and universities.

This Request for Proposal (RFP) seeks to support the development and validation of novel and existing biomarkers that will enhance the design and performance of clinical trials for Alzheimer's disease, related dementias, and cognitive aging. More accurate and comprehensive biomarkers will improve patient selection and pharmacodynamic measurements, and provide additional tools for early detection and accurate diagnosis.

Priority Biomarker Areas:

- Neuroimaging - Positron emission tomography (PET) ligands for target engagement and pharmacodynamic measurements of novel and repurposed therapeutics, and novel magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) methods to measure structural, blood flow, and white matter changes in the brain
- CSF and blood-based biomarkers - Multiplex ELISA and mass spectrometry of particular target(s) or transcriptomics, proteomics, metabolomics, and lipidomics signatures
- Functional activity measures - Electroencephalogram (EEG), magnetoencephalography (MEG), transcranial magnetic stimulation (TMS)
- Other novel approaches that are supported by compelling evidence

The ADDF is particularly interested in developing and validating biomarkers for, but not limited to, neuroinflammation, synaptic function/morphology, energy utilization/mitochondrial function, protein degradation/autophagy, blood-brain barrier integrity/vascular injury, calcium regulation, vesicular trafficking, oxidative stress, insulin sensitivity, and myelin changes.

Preclinical Drug Discovery

Deadline (LOI): July 31, 2017
Amount: $150,000-$600,000 for up to 2 years
Number of Grants/Year: N/A
Eligibility: Academic investigators seeking to create and support innovative translational programs in academic medical centers and universities.

The ADDF seeks to fill the critical translational funding gap between basic research and later stage drug development by funding promising preclinical drug discovery programs relevant to Alzheimer's disease, related dementias, and cognitive aging.
Program areas of particular interest include:

- New chemical compounds for Alzheimer's disease - Requires BOTH a medicinal chemist and a biologist as co-PIs/collaborators. The program should focus on new scaffolds, generation of tool compounds, and optimizing novel lead compounds.
- Preclinical proof-of-concept - Testing of novel lead compounds in animal models. Study design should be clearly outlined along the lines of an exploratory or therapeutic animal study as described in the ADDF's publication, Accelerating Drug Discovery for Alzheimer's Disease: Best Practices for Preclinical Animal Studies. Whenever possible, studies should include pharmacokinetics (PK) and pharmacodynamics (PD) testing, an a priori hypothesis, primary and secondary outcomes measures, and a statistical design plan including power analysis.
- Repurposing - Testing drugs approved for other indications in Alzheimer's disease preclinical models. Proposals should be hypothesis driven and drugs chosen for testing should target a rational mechanism(s) of action.

The ADDF is interested in novel targets that include, but are not limited to: Neuroinflammation, protein degradation/autophagy, growth factor signaling, synaptic function/morphology, calcium regulation, energy utilization/mitochondria function, insulin sensitivity, epigenetics, ApoE function and cholesterol metabolism, vascular injury and the blood-brain barrier interface, cognitive enhancers, myelin changes, ischemia and oxidative stress, and tau-related toxicities.

The ADDF has limited interest in funding anti-amyloid approaches, including anti-amyloid aggregation programs, Abeta vaccine development and beta- or gamma-secretase inhibition programs. The ADDF also has limited interest in funding cholinesterase inhibitor programs.

**Prevention Beyond the Pipeline**

**Deadline (LOI):** July 31, 2017

**Amount:**

- **Epidemiological Analyses:** $50,000-$100,000 for up to 2 years
- **Preclinical Research:** $150,000-$600,000 for up to 2 years
- **Clinical Trials:** Up to $1.5 million for up to 2 years

**Number of Grants/Year:** N/A

**Eligibility:** Academic investigators seeking to create and support innovative translational programs in academic medical centers and universities.

The ADDF seeks to support prevention drug discovery not covered by most research funders or our current RFPs.

**Prevention Research Funding Priority Areas:**

- **Consortium of Cohorts for Alzheimer’s Prevention Action (CAPA)** - Epidemiological studies contribute unmatched information on whether the risk of dementia or cognitive decline may be influenced by long-term exposure to specific foods, supplements, and drugs. However, high-powered studies are needed, ideally with dose, duration, and responder profiles, in order to translate epidemiological research into actionable interventions for testing. Through the CAPA Consortium, the ADDF funds collaborative analyses on dementia prevention using a minimum of five longitudinal cohorts, either harmonized or analyzed through parallel analysis of cohorts using a shared analysis script.
- **Comparative Effectiveness Research** - For many health conditions, physicians have a choice of clinically equivalent drugs. Some of these drugs are being investigated for repurposing to treat Alzheimer's or related dementias, due to potential disease-modifying properties that go beyond their treatment of their approved disease indication. The ADDF will consider funding research to generate an evidence base on whether choices in the routine clinical care of pre-existing conditions could protect against dementia. Priority will be given to the comparison of drugs that are otherwise clinically equivalent for the pre-existing condition. Methods may include randomized clinical trials, epidemiology, and preclinical research.
• Cognitive Decline and Cognitive Reserve - Cognitive decline through aging and health conditions has been linked to an increased risk of dementia. The ADDF will consider funding drug discovery programs to prevent and treat these conditions, including cognitive aging, postoperative delirium and postoperative cognitive decline, mild and/or repetitive traumatic brain injury, and chemotherapy-induced decline. Methods may include clinical trials, epidemiology, or preclinical research.

Program to Accelerate Clinical Trials (PACT)
Deadline (LOI): July 31, 2017
Amount: Up to $1.5 million
Number of Grants/Year: N/A
Eligibility: Academic investigators seeking to create and support innovative translational programs in academic medical centers and universities.

The goal of this Request for Proposals (RFP) is to increase the number of innovative treatments tested in humans for Alzheimer's disease, related dementias, and cognitive aging. This program will fund exploratory Phase 0 microdosing studies that assess preliminary target engagement and PK, Phase I safety testing, Phase 2 biomarker-based proof-of-concept clinical trials in patients, as well as IND-enabling studies to accelerate new drugs into trials. Through this PACT RFP, the ADDF is also interested in supporting biomarker-based trials to validate putative mechanisms of action for targeted pharmacological and non-pharmacological approaches to prevention.

PACT Research Funding Priority Areas:

• Repurposing - Testing drugs approved for other indications in Alzheimer's disease clinical trials. Proposals should be hypothesis driven and drugs chosen for testing should target a rational mechanism(s) of action.
• Novel therapies supported by preclinical in vivo data linking the therapeutic approach to Alzheimer's disease or related dementias.

The ADDF is interested in novel targets that include, but are not limited to: Neuroinflammation, protein degradation/autophagy, growth factor signaling, synaptic function/morphology, calcium regulation, energy utilization/mitochondria function, insulin sensitivity, epigenetics, ApoE function and cholesterol metabolism, vascular injury and the blood-brain barrier interface, cognitive enhancers, myelin changes, ischemia and oxidative stress, and tau-related toxicities.

The ADDF has limited interest in funding anti-amyloid approaches, including anti-amyloid aggregation programs, Abeta vaccine development and beta- or gamma-secretase inhibition programs. The ADDF also has limited interest in funding cholinesterase inhibitor programs.

2. The Burroughs Wellcome Fund
Investigators in the Pathogenesis of Infectious Disease (PATH)
Deadline: July 14, 2017
Amount: $500,000 over 5 years
Number of Grants/Year: Up to 12
Eligibility: The ideal candidate is an accomplished investigator at the mid-to-late assistant professor level with an established record of independent research in a tenure-track position or its well-supported equivalent in non-tenure offering departments. Candidates will generally have a Ph.D. and/or a clinical doctorate (M.D., D.V.M., etc.). Candidates who will be promoted to Associate Professor by November 15, 2017 are not eligible to apply.

The Investigators in the Pathogenesis of Infectious Disease program provides opportunities for assistant professors to bring multidisciplinary approaches to the study of human infectious diseases. The goal of the program is to provide opportunities for accomplished investigators still early in their careers to study what happens at the points where the systems of humans and potentially infectious agents connect. The program supports research that sheds light on the fundamentals that affect the outcomes of these encounters: how colonization, infection, commensalism, and other relationships play out at levels ranging from molecular interactions to systemic ones.
3. Cure Alzheimer's Fund
Grant Inquiries
Deadline (LOI): Rolling
Amount: Up to $100,000 for 1 year
Number of Grants/Year: 30-40
Eligibility: Cure Alzheimer's Fund generally does not accept unsolicited proposals. Awards are typically made to members of the Cure Alzheimer's Research Consortium and/or on their recommendation to other researchers doing innovative work consistent with the Cure Alzheimer's Fund Research Roadmap. However, if you feel strongly that your work coincides directly with the current funded research a brief letter of inquiry (no more than 250 words), sent by email to info@curealz.org, will be accepted and reviewed.

Cure Alzheimer's Fund is dedicated to the pursuit of scientific research leading to treatments and a cure for Alzheimer's disease.

- Foundational Genetics - final all genes that contribute to the risk for or protection against Alzheimer’s disease; prioritize those with the greatest impact.
- Translational Research - Discover what the previously known Alzheimer’s genes can teach us about Alzheimer’s disease pathology and identify the role of the newly identified genes.
- Drug Discovery - Determine which existing drugs or novel chemical compounds most safely and effectively disrupt the Alzheimer’s pathology generated by the highest priority genes.
- Drug Development - Facilitate clinical trials of the most effective drugs by partnering with biotech firms or pharmaceutical companies to hasten drug development and approval.

4. Gilead Research Scholars
Cardiovascular Disease Program
Deadline: July 7, 2017
Amount: Up to $130,000 over 2 years
Number of Grants/Year: 3
Eligibility: Applicants must meet the following requirements:

- Hold an MD, DO, PhD, or equivalent degree at time of award
- Be within 5 years of initial faculty appointment
- Be associated with an academic research institution in the United States at the time of application
- Have a strong career interest in cardiovascular disease
- Be able to devote at least 50% of professional time to research (versus administrative, patient care, or teaching responsibilities)
- Be able to complete the proposed research within the 2-year award period

The Program is designed to support basic and clinical research in the field of cardiovascular disease. This award is intended for junior faculty who are in their early stages of their career; specifically, the Applicant may be the recipient of a career development (K) award or other mentored research award, but not a funded R01 grant of equivalent at time of application.

5. Glaucoma Research Foundation (GRF)
Shaffer Grants
Deadline: July 15, 2017
Amount: $40,000 for 1 year
Number of Grants/Year: 6
Eligibility: Grant applicants must possess at least a graduate degree. Interdisciplinary teams and collaborations that may lead to new glaucoma treatments are encouraged.

Supports new high-impact clinical, epidemiological and laboratory research based on GRF’s 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

6. JDRF Grant Center
Career Development Awards
Deadline: June 28, 2017
Amount: Up to $750,000 for up to 5 years
Number of Grants/Year: N/A
Eligibility:

- Applicants are required to have a MD, DMD, DVM, PhD, or equivalent and faculty position or equivalent.
- The Career Development Award is intended for individuals at an early stage of their independent academic career. Researchers who have received their first faculty-level appointment less than 3 years before the submission date are eligible to apply for this award.
- The applicant must hold an academic faculty-level position (including assistant professor or equivalent) at the time of submission of the proposal, at a university, health science center, or comparable institution with strong, well-established research and training programs for the chosen area of interest.
- There are no citizenship requirements for this program.
- To assure continued excellence and diversity among applicants and awardees, JDRF welcomes applications from all qualified individuals and encourages proposals from persons with disabilities, women and members of minority groups underrepresented in the sciences.
- Career Development Award research may be conducted at foreign and domestic, for-profit and nonprofit, and public and private organizations - such as universities, colleges, hospitals, laboratories, units of state and local governments, and eligible agencies of the federal government.

The primary purpose of the Career Development Award is to attract qualified and promising scientists early in their faculty careers and to give them the opportunity to establish themselves in areas that reflect the JDRF research emphasis areas.

7. JP Morgan Chase Bank
Sarah K. deCoizart Perpetual Charitable Trust
Blindness
Deadline: August 15, 2017
Amount: $20,000-$50,000
Number of Grants/Year: N/A
Eligibility: Organizations must be classified by the Internal Revenue Service as public charities and tax-exempt under section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. Giving limited to the Northeast region of the United States.

Grants in the area of blindness and vision impairments include a broad range of services and research. Service-related grants may include expansion of existing services, implementation of new efforts and improvements of infrastructure to facilitate services. No grants will be considered to substitute lost government funding. Priority will be given to programs serving the Northeast United States. Research grants will primarily be considered through disease associations or other intermediaries with re-granting programs guided by scientific advisory committees. Preference will be given to efforts that support emerging research talent, innovative treatment or early detection studies.

8. Lu Mind Foundation
Research Grant
Deadline (LOI): Rolling
Amount: $1,415,000
Number of Grants/Year: 6
Research programs that have substantial promise to advance the field of Down Syndrome cognition including research exploring mechanisms of cognitive impairment, identification and validation of potential new therapeutic targets, and resolving roadblocks throughout the pipeline for development of new and effective therapeutic approaches are of special interest to the Foundation.

9. Lung Cancer Research Foundation
Research Grant
Deadline: July 1, 2017
Amount: Up to $150,000 over 2 years
Number of Grants/Year: 15-20
Eligibility: Investigators from US and international institutions are eligible to apply for LCRF funding. Senior investigators with more than ten years’ experience since faculty appointment are not eligible for LCRF funding but are encouraged to mentor a junior team member through the application process. Individuals must be affiliated with a non-profit academic or research institution and fall into one of the following categories:

- Students and fellows
- Young and mid-career investigators with less than ten years’ experience since initial faculty appointment
- Non-tenure track researchers, staff scientists, and clinicians

The Lung Cancer Research Foundation’s grant program provides funding for innovative research focused on the prevention, diagnosis, treatment and cure of lung cancer. The Foundation encourages applications for projects investigating a wide variety of research topics, including:

- Improving our understanding of lung cancer biology
- Prevention and screening for early detection
- Identification of new biomarkers and the development of targeted therapies
- Development of next-generation chemotherapeutic agents
- Supportive measures for people with lung cancer and their families
- Quality of care and outcomes research

10. NASPGHAN Foundation
Young Investigator Development Awards
Deadline: July 7, 2017
Amount: $150,000 over 2 years
Number of Grants/Year: N/A
Eligibility: Applicants must:

- Be a NASPGHAN member in good standing for at least one full year.
- Have completed training in pediatric gastroenterology after 1/1/2012 or plan to complete subspecialty residency (fellowship) training by June 30, 2017.
- Hold a full time faculty position in an academic institution within the United States of America, Mexico or Canada.
- Not be the principal investigator for an RO1, P01 (or similar) or CIHR operating grant at the time of application. Recipients of US mentored grants such as a K08, K23, or equivalent Canadian and Mexican and National Foundation grants are eligible to apply, if application does not have scientific overlap.
- Not have received a multi-year career development award from another Foundation (or equivalent) outside of their institution.
- Not currently hold another NASPGHAN Foundation grant.

This two-year grant is available to junior faculty to support research activities that have the potential for evolution to an independent research career in pediatric gastroenterology, hepatology or nutrition. This grant is awarded to support a mentored research project in the clinical, quality improvement, translational or basic sciences to study diseases of the gastrointestinal tract, liver, pancreas or nutritional disorders of children.

11. National Multiple Sclerosis Society
Pilot Research Grants
Deadline: July 12, 2017  
Amount: Up to $44,000  
Number of Grants/Year: N/A

Eligibility: Researchers who have completed their post-doctoral training, and who are considered eligible by their institutions to apply for a research grant, are invited to apply. Individuals who are currently postdoctoral fellows or the equivalent, or who are graduate/medical students or residents, are not eligible for support under this program. Applicants are not eligible to apply if they have an existing National MS Society pilot research award that expires later than the application deadline.

The Society funds high-risk pilot grants to quickly test novel ideas. Funding is provided for one year to test innovative, cutting-edge ideas or untested methods, and to gather sufficient preliminary data to apply for longer-term funding. We welcome applications for studies related to multiple sclerosis that may serve to advance our mission of stopping MS progression, restoring function and improving quality of life, and preventing MS. The Society supports fundamental as well as applied studies, non-clinical or clinical in nature, including projects in patient management, care and rehabilitation.

12. Mesothelioma Applied Research Foundation (MARF)

Grants for Mesothelioma Research  
Deadline: August 5, 2017  
Amount: Up to $100,000 over 2 years  
Number of Grants/Year: 2

Eligibility: Eligible projects may relate to bench work, translational or clinical research that is not presently funded and may be conducted through any not-for-profit academic, medical or research institution. We encourage all levels and degrees of scientists to apply.

Encouraged projects include, but are not limited to:

- Strategies for early detection and prevention of mesothelioma
- Definition of targetable differences between normal and transformed mesothelium and development of novel strategies for treatment taking advantage of these targets
- Determination of clinical/molecular determinants for prognosis
- Therapeutic intervention, including but not limited to:
  - Immune Response Targeted Therapy
  - Novel chemotherapeutic compounds
  - Novel radiation or surgical techniques

13. Pfizer

Global Research Awards for Nicotine Dependence (GRAND)  
Deadline: July 3, 2017  
Amount: $50,000-$200,000  
Number of Grants/Year: 5

Eligibility: Open to all investigators around the world holding an MD, a PhD, or equivalent.

The overall mission of the GRAND program is to advance the pharmacological treatment of tobacco and nicotine dependence. Research projects should aim to provide information that could directly advance the use of pharmacotherapy for treating users of any nicotine or tobacco product in clinical practice. Examples could include:

- Observational or interventional studies of pharmacotherapy
- Optimization of the use of currently available medication
- Effectiveness of pharmacotherapy in real-life settings
- Development or use of new medications for cessation or harm reduction
- Specifically designed pharmacotherapy in subtypes of tobacco/nicotine users
- Use of existing databases to inform the clinical use of pharmacotherapy
- Policy interventions to increase use of pharmacotherapy.
14. Pulmonary Arterial Hypertension Program
Deadline: July 7, 2017
Amount: Up to $130,000 over 2 years
Number of Grants/Year: 3
Eligibility: This award is intended for junior faculty who are in the early stages of their career; specifically, the applicant may be the recipient of a career development (K) award or equivalent, but not an R category grant. Applicants must meet the following requirements:

- Hold an MD, DO, PhD, or equivalent degree at time of award
- Be within 5 years from completion of final training in association with an academic research institution in the United States at the time of application
- Have a strong career interest in PAH
- Have a research mentor with extensive experience in the field of PAH
- Be able to devote at least 50% of professional time to research (versus administrative, patient care, or teaching responsibilities)
- Be able to complete the proposed research within the 2-year award period

The Program is designed to support basic science and clinical research in the field of pulmonary arterial hypertension. Areas of research may include, but are not limited to:

- Basic science underlying PAH
- Genetics of PAH
- Pathophysiology of PAH
- Epidemiology of PAH
- Techniques for early diagnosis of PAH

15. Restless Leg Syndrome (RLS) Foundation
Deadline: Rolling
Amount: $35,000 per year
Number of Grants/Year: 1-2
Eligibility: All institutions within the United States, Canada, and other countries where supervision of grant administration is possible are eligible.

The Foundation supports research that holds promise to find a cure, to improve quality of treatment or access to treatment, and to lessen suffering of those struggling with RLS.

Research Prioritization Factors:

- Scientific quality: The Foundation will, in general, give higher priority to proposals that are higher-ranked in terms of scientific quality rather than those of lower rank. Research proposals submitted for funding consideration undergo a rigorous NIH-style review and scoring process by leading scientists in the field. The chair of the Research Grant Committee of the Scientific and Medical Advisory Board shall present to the Board the results of each grant review with the scores for each proposal, and recommendations from the Research Grant Committee for funding.
- Potential Benefit to RLS Patients: In consideration of projects that are of acceptable scientific quality, preference should be given to projects that are deemed likely to provide greater benefit to RLS patients. RLS Foundation Statement of Research Priorities Adopted April 2017 Page 2
- Relevance to Foundation Targets: The Research Grant Committee shall create and regularly update a list of research targets that the Foundation considers essential and desirable, which shall be prominently posted on the Research and Grants page on the Foundation’s website. Proposals that address those research subjects shall be given high priority.
- Timeliness: If there are time-related factors associated with the project’s expected results (for example, relevance to pending public policy issues or connection to funding streams that may only be available for a limited time), such projects should receive higher priority.
- Scientific Significance: If a project has the potential to provide “game changing” results, it should be given higher priority than a project offering only incremental gains.
• Potential for Follow-on Funding: If the above factors are approximately equal, priority should be given to projects that show the greater probability for follow-on funding from other funding sources (e.g. NIH or DOD).
• Speed of Outcome: If the above factors are approximately equal, preference should be given to research projects that will provide results or outcomes sooner, rather than later.

16. Saving tiny Hearts Society (StHS)
Congenital Heart Defects Program
Deadline: July 15, 2017
Amount: Up to $75,000 for 1 year
Number of Grants/Year: 3-5
Eligibility: The PI must hold a faculty position at the time of grant award.

The primary purpose of the Saving tiny Hearts Society is to raise money to fund life saving research projects to improve, prolong and save the lives of those affected by Congenital Heart Defects. Grants are awarded to early stage science with unique hypotheses fostering the next generation of congenital heart defect research creating a strong foundation of preliminary evidence to make scientific advancements.

17. Whitehall Foundation
Research Programs
Deadline (LOI): October 1, 2017
Amount: $30,000-$75,000 per year for up to 3 years
Number of Grants/Year: Up to 60
Eligibility: Research grants are available to established scientists of all ages working at accredited institutions in the United States. Applications will be judged on the scientific merit and the innovative aspects of the proposal as well as on the competence of the applicant. Research grants will not be awarded to investigators who have already received, or expect to receive, substantial support from other sources, even if it is for an unrelated purpose.

The applicant must meet all three of the following eligibility requirements in order to participate in the application process:

• Appropriate title - must be an Assistant Professor (or higher). If the institution does not use this title, a letter from the department chair confirming the applicant's eligibility is required.
• Status - must hold Principal Investigator status.
• Independent - must be considered an "independent investigator" with his/her own dedicated lab space or with lab space independent of another investigator.

The Foundation is currently interested in basic research in neurobiology, defined as follows: Invertebrate and vertebrate (excluding clinical) neurobiology, specifically investigations of neural mechanisms involved in sensory, motor, and other complex functions of the whole organism as these relate to behavior. The overall goal should be to better understand behavioral output or brain mechanisms of behavior.

II. Nursing & Public Health
18. Foundation for Physical Therapy (FPT)
Foundation Research Grant (FRG)
Deadline: August 3, 2017
Amount: Up to $40,000 for up to 2 years
Number of Grants/Year: N/A
Eligibility: Proposals may be submitted by an individual or a group of investigators through a U.S. Sponsoring Organization/Institution with which they are affiliated. Groups must designate one member as the Principal Investigator responsible for directing the project. Other members of the group may be physical therapists, physical therapist assistants, or persons from other disciplines that are relevant to the proposed study.
In addition to the above, at the time of application the Principal Investigator must:
• Possess a license to practice physical therapy in the U.S. or in a U.S. jurisdiction; OR
• Have met all the requirements for physical therapy licensure in the U.S. or in a U.S. jurisdiction, including having received a passing score on the licensure exam; OR
• Possess a physical therapist assistant license in the U.S. or in U.S. jurisdiction; OR
• Have met all the requirements for licensure as a physical therapist assistant in the U.S. or in a U.S. jurisdiction, including having received a passing score on the licensure exam.

One FRG is to be awarded for research projects aimed to evaluate the effectiveness of physical therapist interventions within any discipline relevant to physical therapy.

19. Health Policy & Administration (HPA)
HPA Grant Program
Deadline: December 31, 2017
Amount: Up to $15,000 for up to 2 years
Number of Grants/Year: 1-2
Eligibility: All HPA Section members are eligible to apply for Research Grants. Collaborative research with non-section members is permissible as long as the principal investigator is a member of the Section on HPA. An HPA Section member may submit only one proposal per year for which he or she is the Principal Investigator. Although entry-level masters and doctoral students who are HPA members are eligible to submit proposals, priority will be given to researchers at the post-professional level (faculty, advanced graduate-level research).

The purpose of the Section Health Policy and Administration Grant Program is to stimulate, encourage and support research activities that enhance the body of knowledge related to health policy, clinical administration, global health, and the use of technology in physical therapy. The grants provide funding to assist new physical therapist investigators, or established investigators who are embarking on a new research agenda in these areas of physical therapist practice, leadership, administration, or education. Through this grant program, the Section hopes to encourage development of proposals that will seek financial support from external agencies.

20. National Institute for Health Care Management (NIHCM) Foundation
Investigator-Initiated Research Grants
Deadline (LOI): July 10, 2017
Amount: $50,000
Number of Grants/Year: 5-6
Eligibility: Applications from individual researchers as well as from all types of organizations and institutions, including both non-profit and for-profit entities are accepted. Multiple organizations may apply jointly, but one must be named as the principal organization and others will have a subcontract relationship with that organization. There is no limit to the number of project ideas that may be submitted by a given researcher, organization or academic department.

NIHCM Foundation supports innovative investigator-initiated research with high potential to inform improvements to the U.S. health care system. Projects must advance the existing knowledge base in the areas of health care financing, delivery, management and/or policy.

III. Education, Humanities, and Social & Behavioral Sciences

21. American Psychological Foundation (APF)
Pearson Early Career Grant
Deadline: December 31, 2017
Amount: $12,000
Number of Grants/Year: 1
Eligibility: Applicants should be:

- Psychologists with an EdD, PsyD or PhD from an accredited university.
- No more than ten years postdoctoral.

The Pearson Early Career Grant encourages early career clinicians to work in an area of critical societal need. Pearson partnered with APF to ensure psychology addresses critical needs in society. The program’s goals are to support psychology’s efforts to improve areas of critical need in society, including but not limited to innovative scientifically based clinical work with serious mental illness, serious emotional disturbance, incarcerated or homeless individuals, children with serious emotional disturbance (SED) and adults with serious mental illness (SMI); and to encourage early career psychologists to devote their careers to under-served populations.

22. The Berggruen Institute
The Berggruen Prize
Deadline: July 14, 2017
Amount: $1 million
Number of Grants/Year: 1
Eligibility: The Berggruen Institute welcomes nominations of thinkers whose ideas have both intellectual depth and long-term social and practical value across nations and cultures.

The Berggruen Institute seeks to identify and nurture new ideas that have the potential to shape a better human future. Recognizes humanistic thinkers whose ideas have helped to find direction, wisdom, and improved self-understanding in a world rapidly being transformed by profound social, technological, political, cultural, and economic change.

23. Conference on College Composition & Communication (CCCC)
Advancement of Knowledge Award
Deadline: July 15, 2017
Amount: None
Number of Grants/Year: 1
Eligibility: A work eligible for the 2018 award will have been published in calendar year 2016 or 2017. To be eligible for the award, a nominee must be a member of CCCC and/or NCTE at the time of nomination. To nominate a publication for the award, the author, editor, publisher, or reader must be a CCCC and/or NCTE member.

The Advancement of Knowledge Award is presented annually for the empirical research publication in the previous two years that most advances writing studies.

24. J. M. Kaplan Fund
Furthermore Grants in Publishing
Deadline: September 1, 2017
Amount: $1,500-$15,000
Number of Grants/Year: ~50
Eligibility: Grant applicants must be 501(c)3 organizations; applications from individuals cannot be accepted. They have included civic and academic institutions, museums, independent and university presses, and professional societies. While grant recipients must have 501(c)3 status, the book projects assisted by Furthermore sometimes result in trade publication.

Furthermore grants assist nonfiction books having to do with art, architecture, and design; cultural history, the city, and related public issues; and conservation and preservation. We look for work that appeals to an informed general audience, gives evidence of high standards in editing, design, and production, and promises a reasonable shelf life. Funds apply to such specific publication components as writing, research, editing, indexing, design, illustration, photography, and printing and binding. Book projects to which a university press, nonprofit or trade publisher is already committed and for which there is a feasible distribution plan are usually preferred.
Recipients of Furthermore grants are located throughout the U.S. and abroad but mainly in New York City and New York State and its Hudson Valley.

25. JP Morgan Chase Bank
Sarah K. deCoizart Perpetual Charitable Trust
Environment and Species Conservation
Deadline: August 15, 2017
Amount: $20,000-$100,000 per year
Number of Grants/Year: N/A
Eligibility: Organizations must be classified by the Internal Revenue Service as public charities and tax-exempt under section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. Giving limited to the Northeast region of the United States.

The Trust may support a range of projects dealing with environmental hazards, wildlife conservation, protection of ecologically important areas and land use policy. The latter may include preservation of parks and open space in urban areas or analyses of environmental problems associated with sprawl.

26. Kress Foundation
History of Art Grants Program
Deadline: October 1, 2017
Amount: $10,000-$100,000
Number of Grants/Year: Up to 20
Eligibility: Grants are awarded to non-profit institutions with 501(c)3 status based in the United States, including supporting foundations of European institutions.

The History of Art program supports scholarly projects that will enhance the appreciation and understanding of European art and architecture. Grants are awarded to projects that create and disseminate specialized knowledge, including archival projects, development and dissemination of scholarly databases, documentation projects, museum exhibitions and publications, photographic campaigns, scholarly catalogs and publications, and technical and scientific studies.

Grants are also awarded for activities that permit art historians to share their expertise through international exchanges, professional meetings, conferences, symposia, consultations, the presentation of research, and other professional events.

IV. Fellowships

27. Radcliffe Institute for Advanced Study Harvard University
Creative Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences Fellowship
Deadline: September 14, 2017
Amount: Up to $77,500 for 1 year
Number of Grants/Year: N/A
Eligibility: Applications in all academic disciplines, professions, and creative arts are encouraged, and there are a few areas of special interest:

- Applications related to the theme of citizenship-local, national, and global—which is a two-year initiative across the programs of the Radcliffe Institute
- Applications that involve the study of women, gender, and society, which is a commitment rooted in Radcliffe’s unique history

Natural Sciences and Mathematics Fellowship
Deadline: October 5, 2017
Amount: Up to $77,500 for 1 year
Number of Grants/Year: N/A
Eligibility: Applications in all academic disciplines, professions, and creative arts are encouraged, and there are a few areas of special interest:

- Applications related to the theme of citizenship-local, national, and global—which is a two-year initiative across the programs of the Radcliffe Institute
- Applications that involve the study of women, gender, and society, which is a commitment rooted in Radcliffe’s unique history
Applications that draw on the resources of the Schlesinger Library on the History of Women in America, which is part of the Radcliffe Institute and one of the foremost archives on women's history

Fellows receive office or studio space and access to libraries and other resources at Harvard University during the fellowship year, which extends from early September 2018 through May 31, 2019. Fellows are expected to be free of their regular commitments so that they may devote themselves full time to the work outlined in their proposal. Since this is a residential fellowship, we expect fellows to reside in the Boston area during that period and to have their primary office at the Institute to participate fully in the life of the community.

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