

OFFICE OF ADVANCEMENT**New Private Funding Opportunities**

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The Corporate and Foundation Relations (CFR) team within the Office of Advancement circulates this bi-weekly digest of private philanthropic funding opportunities. Please contact the CFR team to strategize on any of these requests for proposals (RFPs) or get additional information.

AUTISM**Organization for Autism Research****Applied Research Grant Competition**

- At least one member of the research team must hold a PhD, MD, or equivalent degree and maintain a faculty position or equivalent at a college, university, medical school, or other research facility
- \$50K over 1-2 years; 9 awards
- Deadline 3/16/2026 LOI
- **Website**

BIOMEDICAL**Alternatives Research & Development Foundation****Annual Open Grant Program**

- \$50K over 1 year
- Deadline 2/20/2026 LOI
- UMass Recipients: 2024 Tien-Chan Hsieh, MD
- **Website**

National Academy of Medicine**David and Beatrix Hamburg Award for Advances in Biomedical Research and Clinical Medicine**

- \$50K over 1 year; 1 award
- Deadline 5/20/2026
- **Website**

CARDIOLOGY**American Heart Association (AHA)****Heart Transplant Research Network**

- Faculty, Staff
- MD, PhD, DO, DVM, DDS, or equivalent post-baccalaureate doctoral degree
- Early submission is encouraged
- AHA member
- \$220K over 4 years; 10-15 awards
- Deadline 3/10/2026
- **Website**

Saving Tiny Hearts Society (STHS)**Research Grants**

- Faculty
- \$100K over 1 year
- Deadline 3/16/2026
- **Website**

CHEMISTRY

The Franklin Institute

Bower Award and Prize for Achievement in Science

- Candidates must be living
- The winner must participate in The Franklin Institute Awards Week programs to be held in Spring 2027 in Philadelphia, PA
- Nominations from any individual or organization will be accepted, including self-nominations
- Nominations of candidates traditionally underrepresented in science and engineering are particularly encouraged
- \$250K over 1 year; 1 award
- Deadline 6/1/2026 LOI
- **Website**

COMMUNITY PROGRAMS

Draper Richards Kaplan Foundation

Grants to Dramatically Improve the Lives of Underserved Communities Across the Globe

- \$300K over 3 years
- Rolling basis
- **Website**

Health Foundation of Central Massachusetts

Activation Fund

- Contact CFR as there are limited applicants we can put forth and CFR is coordinating our applications
- \$50K-\$120K over 1 year
- Deadline 3/1/2026 LOI
- **Website**

EDUCATION

National Association of Chain Drug Stores Foundation

Scholarship Program for Innovation & Diversity in Pharmacy Education

- Schools and colleges of pharmacy fully accredited by the application date are eligible to apply for both innovation and diversity awards
- One submission per track
- \$20K over 1 year
- Deadline 2/27/2026
- **Website**

GENETICS

Simons Foundation

Targeted Grants in Mathematics and Physical Sciences (MPS)

- Tenured or Tenure-track Faculty, or equivalent
- Amount and/or duration vary and/are unpublicized
- Over 5 years
- Rolling basis LOI
- **Website**

HEALTH CARE

AcademyHealth

AcademyHealth Awards

- Deadline 2/18/2026
- **Website**

Hearst Foundations

Health Grants

- Contact CFR for more information prior to contacting this sponsor as we have existing relationships
- \$100K over 1 year
- Rolling basis
- **Website**

William T. Grant Foundation

William T. Grant Scholars **LIMITED SUBMISSION**

- Faculty
- Early career
- Must have received their doctoral degree within seven years of submitting their application
- More information from the Office of Research/Center for Clinical and Translational Science is forthcoming
- Contact CFR as there are limited applicants we can put forth and CFR is coordinating our applications
- \$425K over 5 years; 4-6 awards
- Internal deadline 5/4/2026
- **Website**

National Academy of Medicine

Gustav O. Lienhard Award for Advancement of Health Care

- \$40K over 1 year; 1 award
- Deadline 5/20/2026
- **Website**

Zoll Foundation

Seed Grants in Emergency Medicine, Critical Care, Trauma, Cardiovascular Health, Pulmonary Health, Sleep-disordered Breathing, Neuroscience, and Translational Research Focused on Applying Discoveries to Enhance Training and Delivery in Clinical Practice

- Faculty, Postdoctoral Fellow, Instructor, Assistant Professor, RN, NP, Pharmacist, Paramedic, Educator, or similar
- Early career
- In a medical fellowship or early years of faculty position
- In MD or PhD program or residency and committed to biomedical research
- A researcher within 10 years of terminal degree
- \$25K-\$100K over 2 years
- Deadline 3/31/2026, 9/30/2026
- **Website**

HEMATOLOGY

National Bleeding Disorders Foundation *(formerly the National Hemophilia Foundation)*

Judith Graham Pool Postdoctoral Research Fellowship

- Postdoctoral
- Early to mid career
- MD/DO, PhD
- Must have completed doctoral training, currently enrolled or will be enrolled in a doctoral, postdoctoral, internship or residency training program at the time of award disbursement
- Individuals with more than six years of experience since completing doctoral training are not eligible to apply
- \$104K over 2 years
- Deadline 2/23/2026 LOI
- **Website**

NBDF-Sanofi Career Development Award

- Faculty
- Preferably at the assistant professor level or above
- Established career
- MD, PhD, or equivalent
- No more than six years of postdoctoral years of experience in hematology, nor more than six years since completion of medical training
- \$210K over 3 years
- Deadline 2/23/2026 LOI
- **Website**

Nursing Excellence Fellowship

- Clinician
- Collaboration with multidisciplinary care providers and/or between two or more hemophilia centers is accepted and encouraged
- \$15K over 1 year; 1 award
- Deadline 2/23/2026 LOI
- **Website**

Physical Therapy Excellence Fellowship

- Clinician

- Affiliation with a federally funded hemophilia treatment center is required
- \$15K over 1 year; 1 award
- Deadline 2/23/2026 LOI
- **Website**

Social Work Excellence Fellowship

- Clinician
- Must be an MSW or DSW from an accredited school of social work or be a student in a DSW program
- \$15K over 1 year; 1 award
- Deadline 2/23/2026 LOI
- **Website**

INFECTIOUS DISEASE

Global Polio Eradication Initiative (GPEI)

Global Polio Eradication Initiative

- \$50K-\$300K over 2 years
- Deadline 3/31/2026
- **Website**

MEDICINE

AMA Foundation

AMAF Excellence in Medicine Awards

- Physician, Resident, Medical Student
- Deadline 1/30/2026
- **Website**

NEUROLOGY

ALS Association

Milton Safenowitz Postdoctoral Fellowship Program

- Junior Postdoctoral Researcher
- Individuals who received their PhD or completed their postgraduate clinical training on or after February 10, 2024
- \$150K over 2 years
- Deadline 2/10/2026 LOI
- UMass Recipients: 2023 Annie Collins, BSc, BM BCh, MRSB; 2014 Claudia Fallini, PhD
- **Website**

Alzheimer's Association

Alzheimer's Association Clinician Scientist Fellowship For All (AACCSFA) Program *(formerly Alzheimer's Association Clinician Scientist Fellowship Programs)*

- Faculty, Postdoctoral
- Up to and including Assistant Professor
- Early career
- MD, DO, PhD, or equivalent
- Applicants are eligible for this program that are within 15 years of receiving their MD, DO or PhD (or equivalent)
- Have active licensure for clinical practice
- Are actively caring for patients in a healthcare setting at the time of submission
- \$250K over 3 years
- Deadline 2/23/2026 LOI
- **Website**

Alzheimer's Association Research Fellowship for All (AARFA) Program *(formerly Alzheimer's Association Research Fellowship Programs)*

- Postdoctoral
- Early career
- PhD or equivalent
- Within 10 years of receiving their terminal degree at the time of Letter of Intent (LOI) submission
- Hold a full-time position at a not-for-profit academic, medical, or research institution
- \$200K over 3 years
- Deadline 2/23/2026 LOI
- UMass Recipients: 2022 Violeta Duran Laforet, PhD
- **Website**

Alzheimer's Association Research Grant for All (AARGA) Program (formerly Alzheimer's Association Research Grant Programs)

- Faculty
- Assistant Professor (similar to Lecturer or other equivalent) or above
- Early career
- Held position for no more than seven years at the time of the grant application submission
- \$200K over 3 years
- Deadline 2/26/2026 LOI
- UMass Recipients: 2022 Michael Lodato, PhD; 2017 Sandra Almeida, PhD
- **Website**

Bridge Funding for Disrupted Neurodegenerative Research Grant Program (BFDN) (partnered with the Michael J. Fox Foundation for Parkinson's Research)

- Early career
- Principal investigators may apply for bridge funding spanning 3-12 months for U.S. and international projects impacted by changes in the NIH
- LOIs should be submitted by the 15th of that month (or the following Monday, if the 15th falls on a weekend) to be considered on a rolling basis
- Amount and/or duration vary and/are unpublicized
- Rolling basis LOI
- **Website**

Epilepsy Foundation

Shark Tank Competition - Community Award

- Selected finalists must be prepared to present in person at the 2026 Shark Tank Program (Thursday, June 18, 2026) to be held during the Epilepsy Foundation Pipeline Conference in Leesburg, VA
- \$50K over 1 year
- Deadline 2/6/2026 LOI
- **Website**

Rett Syndrome Research Trust

Research Grants

- Faculty
- Amount and/or duration vary and/or are unpublicized
- Rolling basis LOI
- UMass Recipients: 2019 Anastasia Khvorova, PhD
- **Website**

NURSING

The Rita and Alex Hillman Foundation

Hillman Emergent Innovation

- \$50K over 12-18 months; 10 awards
- Deadline 2/20/2026 LOI
- **Website**

Hillman Emergent Innovation: Serious Illness and End of Life

- \$50K over 12-18 months; 11 awards
- Deadline 2/20/2026 LOI
- **Website**

Hillman Innovations in Care

- \$250K over 2 years; 4 awards
- Deadline 2/20/2026 LOI
- **Website**

Macy Jr. Foundation, Josiah

Ensuring Fairness in Clinical Assessment

- Faculty at medical and nursing schools (both at the undergraduate and graduate levels)
- While a learner may not serve as the sole principal investigator on a project, the foundation encourages co-creation with learners as co-PIs or co-investigators
- Contact CFR for more information prior to contacting this sponsor as we have existing relationships
- \$200K over 2 years; 3 awards
- Deadline 3/30/2026 LOI
- **Website**

NUTRITION

California Walnut Commission | Global Health & Nutrition Research Program - Clinical Trial

- Faculty, Staff
- PhD, MD, or equivalent
- The proposed study must address the effects of whole walnuts or walnut butter consumption on the specific priority topics
- See **Proposal Central Website** for more information and applying
- \$400K-\$500K over 1 year; 1-2 awards
- Deadline 2/2/2026 LOI
- **Website**

California Walnut Commission | Global Health & Nutrition Research Program - Observational Study

- Faculty, Staff
- PhD, MD, or equivalent
- The proposed study must address the effects of whole walnuts or walnut butter consumption on the specific priority topics
- See **Proposal Central Website** for more information and applying
- \$100K-\$150K over 1 year; 1-2 awards
- Deadline 2/2/2026 LOI
- **Website**

ONCOLOGY

American Association for Cancer Research (AACR)

AACR Award for Lifetime Achievement in Cancer Research

- Nominations may be submitted by any individual, whether an AACR member or nonmember, who is currently or has previously been affiliated with any institution involved in cancer research, cancer medicine, or cancer-related biomedical science
- Self-nominations are prohibited
- Deadline 6/30/2026
- **Website**

AACR Award for Outstanding Achievement in Basic Cancer Research

- Nominations may be submitted by any individual, whether an AACR member or nonmember, who is currently or has previously been affiliated with any institution involved in cancer research, cancer medicine, or cancer-related biomedical science
- Self-nominations are prohibited
- Deadline 6/30/2026
- **Website**

AACR Award for Outstanding Achievement in Blood Cancer Research

- Nominations may be submitted by any individual, whether an AACR member or nonmember, who is currently or has previously been affiliated with any institution involved in cancer research, cancer medicine, or cancer-related biomedical science
- Self-nominations are prohibited
- Deadline 6/30/2026
- **Website**

AACR Award for Outstanding Achievement in Chemistry in Cancer Research

- Nominations may be submitted by any individual, whether an AACR member or nonmember, who is currently or has previously been affiliated with any institution involved in cancer research, cancer medicine, or cancer-related biomedical science
- Self-nominations are prohibited
- Deadline 6/30/2026
- **Website**

AACR Cancer Disparities Research Fellowship

- Postdoctoral Fellow, Clinical Research Fellow, or the equivalent
- Early career
- PhD, MD, MD/PhD, or equivalent
- Have completed their most recent doctoral degree within the past five years
- AACR member
- \$130K over 2 years
- Deadline 3/12/2026
- **Website**

AACR Daniel D. Von Hoff Award for Outstanding Contributions to Education and Training in Cancer Research

- Nominations may be submitted by an individual, whether an AACR member or nonmember, who is currently or has previously been affiliated with an institution involved in cancer research, cancer medicine, or cancer-related sciences

- Self-nominations are prohibited
- Deadline 6/30/2026
- **Website**

AACR Distinguished Lectureship in Breast Cancer Research *(supported by Aflac, Inc.)*

- Nominations may be submitted by any individual, whether an AACR member or nonmember, who is currently or has previously been affiliated with any institution involved in cancer research, cancer medicine, or cancer-related biomedical science
- Self-nominations are prohibited
- Deadline 6/30/2026
- **Website**

AACR Distinguished Lectureship on the Science of Cancer Health Disparities

- Nominations may be submitted by any individual, whether an AACR member or nonmember, who is currently or has previously been affiliated with any institution involved in cancer research, cancer medicine, or cancer-related biomedical science
- Self-nominations are prohibited
- Deadline 6/30/2026
- **Website**

AACR James S. Ewing-Thelma B. Dunn Award for Outstanding Achievement in Pathology in Cancer Research

- Nominations may be submitted by any individual, whether an AACR member or nonmember, who is currently or has previously been affiliated with any institution involved in cancer research, cancer medicine, or cancer-related biomedical science
- Self-nominations are prohibited
- Deadline 6/30/2026
- **Website**

AACR Margaret Foti Award for Leadership and Extraordinary Achievements in Cancer Research

- Nominations may be submitted by any individual, whether an AACR member or nonmember, who is currently or has previously been affiliated with any institution involved in cancer research, cancer medicine, or cancer-related biomedical science
- Self-nominations are prohibited
- Deadline 6/30/2026
- **Website**

AACR Outstanding Investigator Award for Breast Cancer Research *(supported by the Breast Cancer Research Foundation)*

- Nominations may be submitted by any individual, whether an AACR member or nonmember, who is currently or has previously been affiliated with any institution involved in cancer research, cancer medicine, or cancer-related biomedical science
- Self-nominations are prohibited
- Deadline 6/30/2026
- **Website**

AACR Team Science Award *(supported by Lilly, A Medicine Company)*

- Nominations may be submitted by any individual, whether an AACR member or nonmember, who is currently or has previously been affiliated with any institution involved in cancer research, cancer medicine, or cancer-related biomedical science
- Self-nominations are prohibited
- Deadline 6/30/2026
- **Website**

AACR-American Cancer Society Award for Research Excellence in Cancer Epidemiology and Prevention *(supported by the American Cancer Society)*

- Nominations may be submitted by any individual, whether an AACR member or nonmember, who is currently or has previously been affiliated with any institution involved in cancer research, cancer medicine, or cancer-related biomedical science
- Self-nominations are prohibited
- Deadline 6/30/2026
- **Website**

AACR-Cancer Research Institute Lloyd J. Old Award in Cancer Immunology *(supported by The Cancer Research Institute)*

- Nominations may be submitted by any individual, whether an AACR member or nonmember, who is currently or has previously been affiliated with any institution involved in cancer research, cancer medicine, or cancer-related biomedical science
- Self-nominations are prohibited
- Deadline 6/30/2026
- **Website**

AACR-G.H.A. Clowes Award for Outstanding Basic Cancer Research *(supported by Lilly, A Medicine Company)*

- Nominations may be submitted by any individual, whether an AACR member or nonmember, who is currently or has previously been affiliated with any institution involved in cancer research, cancer medicine, or cancer-related biomedical science
- Self-nominations are prohibited
- Deadline 6/30/2026
- **Website**

AACR-Joseph H. Burchenal Award for Outstanding Achievement in Clinical Cancer Research *(supported by Bristol-Myers Squibb)*

- Nominations may be submitted by any individual, whether an AACR member or nonmember, who is currently or has previously been affiliated with any institution involved in cancer research, cancer medicine, or cancer-related biomedical science
- Self-nominations are prohibited
- Deadline 6/30/2026
- **Website**

AACR-Minorities in Cancer Research Jane Cooke Wright Lectureship *(supported by AACR Minorities in Cancer Research Council)*

- Nominations may be submitted by any individual, whether an AACR member or nonmember, who is currently or has previously been affiliated with any institution involved in cancer research, cancer medicine, or cancer-related biomedical science
- Self-nominations are prohibited
- Deadline 6/30/2026
- **Website**

AACR-Princess Takamatsu Memorial Lectureship *(supported by The Princess Takamatsu Cancer Research Fund [Japan])*

- Nominations may be submitted by any individual, whether an AACR member or nonmember, who is currently or has previously been affiliated with any institution involved in cancer research, cancer medicine, or cancer-related biomedical science
- Self-nominations are prohibited
- Deadline 6/30/2026
- **Website**

AACR-St. Baldrick's Foundation Award for Outstanding Achievement in Pediatric Cancer Research *(supported by St. Baldrick's Foundation)*

- Nominations may be submitted by any individual, whether an AACR member or nonmember, who is currently or has previously been affiliated with any institution involved in cancer research, cancer medicine, or cancer-related biomedical science
- Self-nominations are prohibited
- Deadline 6/30/2026
- **Website**

AACR-Waun Ki Hong Award for Outstanding Achievement in Translational and Clinical Cancer Research

- Candidates must have not yet reached 51 years of age at the time of the award presentation
- Nominations may be submitted by any individual, whether an AACR member or nonmember, who is currently or has previously been affiliated with any institution involved in cancer research, cancer medicine, or cancer-related biomedical science
- Self-nominations are prohibited
- Deadline 6/30/2026
- **Website**

AACR-Women in Cancer Research Charlotte Friend Lectureship *(supported by AACR Women in Cancer Research Council)*

- Nominations may be submitted by any individual, whether an AACR member or nonmember, who is currently or has previously been affiliated with any institution involved in cancer research, cancer medicine, or cancer-related biomedical science
- Self-nominations are prohibited
- Deadline 6/30/2026
- **Website**

Pezcoller Foundation–AACR International Award for Extraordinary Achievement in Cancer Research *(supported by the Pezcoller Foundation)*

- Nominations may be submitted by any individual, whether an AACR member or nonmember, who is currently or has previously been affiliated with any institution involved in cancer research, cancer medicine, or cancer-related sciences
- Self-nominations are prohibited
- Deadline 6/30/2026
- **Website**

[American Cancer Society](#)

Cancer Health Equity Research Centers - Clinician Scientist Development Grants (CSDGs)

- Faculty

- Early to established career
- Summer Cycles: New, renewal, and resubmitted applications will be accepted
- Winter Cycles: Only resubmissions of previously reviewed applications, including renewals, will be accepted, no new applications accepted
- \$675K over 5 years
- Deadline 6/1/2026 LOI Summer Cycle, 12/1/2026 Winter Cycle
- **Website**

Cancer Health Equity Research Centers - Research Scholar Grants (RSGs)

- Full-time Faculty
- Early to established career
- Doctoral degree
- Summer Cycles: New, renewal, and resubmitted applications will be accepted
- Winter Cycles: Only resubmissions of previously reviewed applications, including renewals, will be accepted, no new applications accepted
- \$860K over 4 years
- Deadline 6/1/2026 LOI Summer Cycle, 12/1/2026 Winter Cycle
- **Website**

American Society for Radiation Oncology (ASTRO)

ASTRO-LUNGEvity Residents/Fellows in Radiation Oncology Seed Grant

- PhD, MD/PhD, MD, DO, or other equivalent degrees(s)
- Must be enrolled in a U.S. residency or fellowship at the time of application
- The applicant must designate a mentor at their Institution who will provide guidance and support for the research project
- \$50K over 1 year; 1 award
- Deadline 1/26/2026
- **Website**

The Childhood Brain Tumor Foundation

Research Grants

- Grant applications may be submitted from researchers that have not received funding from the NIH for the proposed study
- \$60K over 2 years; 2 awards
- Deadline 3/20/2026
- **Website**

CURE Childhood Cancer

Early Investigator Award (EI)

- Faculty
- Instructor to Assistant Professor
- Early career
- MD, MD/PhD
- Physician scientists (MD or MD/PhD) who are within 5 years of completion of their clinical (or terminal) fellowship training and are beginning to establish a research career may apply as Instructors or Assistant Professors
- PhD scientists within 5 years of an initial appointment as a tenure track Assistant Professor are also invited to apply for this award
- \$220K over 2 years
- Deadline 2/13/2026 LOI
- **Website**

Translation to CURE Award (T2C)

- Faculty
- Assistant Professor to Full Professor
- Early to established career
- \$330K over 2 years
- Deadline 2/13/2026 LOI
- **Website**

Robert L. Fine Cancer Research Foundation

Research Grant

- Faculty
- Assistant or Associate Professor
- Early to mid career
- Up to two principal investigators are allowable
- Investigators are allowed to submit more than one application as long as each application does not scientifically overlap with each other
- Only one award is allowable for a principal investigator however he or she may be a co-investigator on other subsequent awards
- \$250K over 2 years; 2 awards

- Deadline 8/31/2026
- **Website**

Kids Beating Cancer

John Voight Memorial Leukemia Research Grant

- Faculty or equivalent, Postdoctoral Researcher
- MD, PhD, MD/PhD, or equivalent
- \$300K over 3 years
- Deadline 7/3/2026 LOI
- **Website**

Robert G. Owens Memorial Leukemia Research Grant

- Faculty or equivalent, Postdoctoral Researcher
- MD, PhD, MD/PhD, or equivalent
- \$200K over 2 years
- Deadline 7/3/2026 LOI
- **Website**

Science is the Cure Grant

- Postdoctoral Researcher
- MD, PhD, MD/PhD, or equivalent
- \$300K over 3 years
- Deadline 7/3/2026 LOI
- **Website**

Lung Cancer Research Foundation

2026 LCRF Leading Edge Research Grant Program *(previously known as the LCRF Pilot Grant Program)*

- Faculty
- Post-doctoral Researcher, Clinical Fellow, Early-career and Mid-career Investigator
- Early to mid career
- Less than seven years experience since their initial faculty appointment
- \$150K over 2 years
- Deadline 3/10/2026 LOI
- UMass Recipients: 2016, 2015 Wen Xue, PhD
- **Website**

2026 LCRF Research Grant on Overcoming Resistance in Lung Cancer

- Faculty
- Post-doctoral Researcher, Clinical Fellow, Early-career and Mid-career Investigator
- Early to mid career
- Less than seven years experience since their initial faculty appointment
- \$150K over 2 years
- Deadline 3/10/2026 LOI
- **Website**

2026 LCRF Research Grant on Prevention and Early Detection in Lung Cancer

- Faculty
- Post-doctoral Researcher, Clinical Fellow, Early-career and Mid-career Investigator
- Early to mid career
- Less than seven years experience since their initial faculty appointment
- \$150K over 2 years
- Deadline 3/10/2026 LOI
- **Website**

OUCH-International and LCRF Research Grant Program on the Effects of Air Pollution and Climate Change on Carcinogenesis and Lung Cancer Prevalence *(supported by AstraZeneca)*

- Post-doctoral Researcher, Clinical Fellow, Early/Mid/Senior-career Investigator
- Early to established career
- \$200K over 2 years
- Deadline 6/2/2026
- **Website**

LUNGeivity Foundation

Career Development Award

- Faculty
- Doctoral degree
- Must be within the first five (5) years of his/her first faculty
- Only one Career Development Award will be granted per institution, although more than one applicant from an institution may apply
- \$300K over 3 years
- Deadline 2/17/2026 LOI

- **Website**

Health Equity and Inclusiveness Research Fellow Award

- Fellow
- Doctoral degree
- Must be pursuing a postdoctoral fellowship and plan to pursue a career in lung cancer
- Underrepresented in Medicine (URiM) Group
- LUNgevity will grant only one Health Equity and Inclusiveness Research Fellow Award per institution, although more than one applicant from an institution may apply
- \$100K over 2 years
- Deadline 2/17/2026 LOI
- **Website**

Veterans Affairs Research Scholar Award

- Faculty
- Doctoral degree
- Must either be pursuing a postdoctoral fellowship program or be junior faculty within the first five years of their faculty appointment at the time of application
- LUNgevity will grant only one Veterans Affairs Research Scholar Award per institution, although more than one applicant from an institution may apply
- \$100K over 2 years
- Deadline 2/17/2026 LOI
- **Website**

Melanoma Research Foundation

Resident/Fellow Award

- Resident, Fellow
- Early career
- MD and/or MD/PhD, or equivalent
- Be a U.S.-based resident (dermatology, pathology, radiation oncology) or a fellow in greater than or equal to a 2-year clinical fellowship (medical, pediatric, ocular or surgical oncology)
- Early submission is encouraged
- \$10K over 1 year
- Deadline 2/6/2026
- **Website**

Prostate Cancer Foundation (PCF)

PCF Challenge Awards

- Should be composed of at least three investigators capable of providing unique scientific expertise to the solution of this significant problem in prostate cancer research
- May be assembled from one institution, or several institutions
- Must embed at least one young investigator as an integral contributor to the team
- \$1M over 2 years
- Deadline 3/16/2026
- **Website**

PCF TACTICAL Awards (Therapy ACceleration To Intercept CANcer Lethality)

- Teams must be composed of at least five investigators from non-profit academic research centers or community organizations, including two young investigators, capable of providing unique scientific expertise to the solution of this significant problem
- \$5M-\$10M over 3-5 years
- Deadline 3/16/2026 LOI
- **Website**

PCF Young Investigator Awards

- Early career
- MD, DO, PhD, MD-PhD, DSc, ScD, DDM, DDS, DMD, MBBS, or equivalent
- Be within six years of completion of their terminal degree or subsequent mentored academic or clinical training program including postdoctoral or clinical fellowships
- Applicant must be under the supervision of a mentor(s)
- \$225K over 3 years
- Deadline 2/23/2026
- **Website**

PEDIATRICS

American Academy of Pediatrics

NRP Research Grant Program

- Early to established career
- \$50K over 1 year
- Deadline 5/1/2026 LOI

- **Website**

American Pediatric Surgical Association Foundation

Jay Grosfeld, MD Scholar Grant

- Faculty
- Assistant Professor
- Candidates within 10 years of their initial faculty appointment and no higher than the level of assistant professor are preferred
- \$25K over 1 year
- Deadline 2/15/2026
- **Website**

Thrasher Research Fund

Early Career Awards

- Physician, Postdoctoral Researcher
- Early career
- Physicians who are in a residency/fellowship training program, or who completed that program no more than one year before the Concept Paper deadline
- Post-doctoral researchers who received the doctoral level degree no more than three years before the Concept Paper deadline
- Each project needs to be under the guidance of a mentor
- \$26,750 over 1-2 years; 16 awards per cycle
- Deadline 3/17/2026, 9/1/2026 LOI
- UMass Recipients: 2020 Nisha Fahey, DO; 2017 Rebecca Cook, MD, MSc
- **Website**

PHARMACEUTICAL

Sanofi

iNext Awards North America

- Early to mid career
- €500,000 over 18 months; 3 awards
- Deadline 1/31/2026 LOI
- **Website**

PHYSICAL / OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY

American Hand Therapy Foundation (AHTF)

Burkhalter New Investigator Grant for Clinical Research in Hand & Upper Limb Rehabilitation (support from the Doris Ann Slack Upper Extremity Education and Research Innovation Fund)

- Occupational or Physical Therapist Clinician, Researcher, Graduate Student, Faculty
- At least one member of the research team must be a member of ASHT
- \$15K over 1 year
- Deadline 3/1/2026
- **Website**

Judy Bell-Krotoski "Grab the Evidence" Award (support from the Doris Ann Slack Upper Extremity Education and Research Innovation Fund)

- Occupational or Physical Therapist Clinician, Researcher, Graduate Student, Faculty
- At least one member of the research team must be a member of ASHT
- \$25K over 1 year
- Deadline 3/1/2026
- **Website**

Tri-Alliance Grant Honoring ASHT Founders Award

- Occupational or Physical Therapist Clinician, Researcher, Graduate Student, Faculty
- At least one member of the research team must be a member of ASHT
- \$15K over 1 year
- Deadline 3/1/2026
- **Website**

Foundation for Physical Therapy Research (FPTR)

Postdoctoral Fellowship DEADLINE UPDATED

- Physical Therapist, Physical Therapist Assistant
- Have received an academic research doctoral degree, e.g., DSc, EdD or PhD, since June 1, 2024
- APTA member
- \$75K over 1 year; 1 award
- Deadline 3/30/2026

- [Website](#)

PSYCH

[American Psychological Association \(APA\)](#)

APA Distinguished Scientific Awards for an Early Career Contribution to Psychology

- Early career
- Nominations of persons who received doctoral degrees during and since 2016
- Deadline 6/1/2026
- [Website](#)

[Human Animal Bond Research Institute \(HABRI\)](#)

Special Request for Proposals - Pet-Inclusive Rental Housing Research

- Early-career and nontraditional scholars are encouraged to apply
- \$50K over 20 months
- Deadline 2/26/2026
- [Website](#)

[National Academy of Medicine](#)

Rhoda and Bernard Sarnat International Prize in Mental Health

- \$20K over 1 year; 1 award
- Deadline 5/20/2026
- [Website](#)

[Craig H. Neilsen Foundation](#)

Psychosocial Research (PSR): Interventional Testing

- Faculty, Researcher
- Instructor, Assistant Professor, or equivalent research position
- Early to established career
- Doctoral degree or other equivalent terminal professional degree
- Be beyond the postdoctoral level
- \$350K over 3 years
- Deadline 3/5/2026 LOI
- [Website](#)

Psychosocial Research (PSR): Investigational Grants

- Faculty, Researcher
- Instructor, Assistant Professor, or equivalent research position
- Early to established career
- Doctoral degree or other equivalent terminal professional degree
- Be beyond the postdoctoral level
- \$300K over 2 years
- Deadline 3/5/2026 LOI
- [Website](#)

Psychosocial Research (PSR): Postdoctoral Fellowships

- Postdoctoral
- Early career
- Fellows should have attained their doctoral degree or an equivalent terminal professional degree by no later than two months after the FGA submission deadline
- Fellows cannot have held their terminal professional degree longer than five years prior to the FGA submission deadline
- For Fellows with a MD degree, the five-year period begins after completion of their residency program
- Unique circumstances related to this criterion must be communicated to the Neilsen Foundation for approval prior to submission
- \$200K over 2 years
- Deadline 3/5/2026 LOI
- [Website](#)

[Peter and Elizabeth C. Tower Foundation](#)

Programs and Services Grants (Intellectual Disabilities, Learning Disabilities, Mental Health & Substance Use Disorders)

- This foundation limits its funding to certain parts of Eastern Massachusetts
- Contact CFR for more information prior to contacting this sponsor as we have existing relationships
- \$150K over 3 years
- Deadline 2/7/2026 LOI
- [Website](#)

RADIOLOGY

American College of Radiology (ACR)

Impact in Leadership Award

- ACR member
- Deadline 2/20/2026
- **Website**

Lawrence R. Muroff Leadership Luminary Award

- A high level of leadership with at least 15 years of sustained excellence (post-training)
- ACR member
- Deadline 2/20/2026
- **Website**

Philips Emerging Leader Scholarship

- Currently enrolled as a resident or fellow in an ACGME-accredited U.S. or Canadian Residency/Fellowship Program
- ACR member
- Deadline 2/20/2026
- **Website**

Society for Pediatric Radiology (SPR)

SPR Research and Education Foundation Education Project Award

- Faculty, Research Fellow
- MD, DO, or its equivalent
- The project leader must be a member of the Society for Pediatric Radiology at the time of application
- Applicants must hold a full-time faculty position in an educational institution at the time the award commences
- Applicants must be in a department of diagnostic radiology, radiation oncology, interventional radiology, or nuclear medicine and have completed all advanced training
- The Foundation will accept only one application per grant category from a Department, so please get approval from your department chair before applying
- \$50K over 18 months
- Deadline 2/9/2026
- **Website**

SPR Research and Education Foundation Multi-Institutional Pilot Award

- Faculty, Research Fellow
- MD, DO, or its equivalent
- One member of each of the investigator teams must be a member of the Society for Pediatric Radiology (SPR) at the time of application
- At least one applicant must hold a full-time faculty position in an educational institution at the time the award commences
- Applicants must be in departments of diagnostic radiology, radiation oncology, interventional radiology, or nuclear medicine and have completed all advanced training
- The Foundation will accept only one application per grant category from a Department, so please get approval from your department chair before applying
- \$100K over 18 months
- Deadline 2/9/2026
- **Website**

SPR Research and Education Foundation Pilot Award

- Faculty, Research Fellow
- MD, DO, or its equivalent
- The principal investigator must be an SPR member at the time of application
- Applicants must hold a full-time faculty position in an educational institution at the time the award commences
- The Foundation will accept only one application per grant category from a Department, so please get approval from your department chair before applying
- \$50K over 18 months
- Deadline 2/9/2026
- **Website**

SPR Research and Education Foundation Seed Grant

- Faculty, Research Fellow
- MD, DO, or its equivalent
- One member of the investigator team must be a member of the Society for Pediatric Radiology (SPR) at the time of application
- Applicant must hold a full-time faculty position in an educational institution at the time the award commences

- Applicant must be in a department of diagnostic radiology, radiation oncology, interventional radiology, or nuclear medicine and have completed all advanced training
- The Foundation will accept only one application per grant category from a Department, so please get approval from your department chair before applying
- \$10K over 18 months
- Deadline 2/9/2026
- **Website**

William H. and Victoria McAlister Young Investigator Grant Award

- Faculty, Physician
- MD, DO, or its equivalent
- Applicants must be physicians
- Applicants for the Young Investigator award must be engaged in a Pediatric Radiology Fellowship program or be in the first five years of their first faculty appointment as a pediatric radiologist
- The identified primary mentor must be a member of the Society for Pediatric Radiology (SPR) at the time of application
- Applicants must be in a department of diagnostic radiology, radiation oncology, interventional radiology, or nuclear medicine and have completed residency training
- The Foundation will accept only one application per grant category from a Department, so please get approval from your department chair before applying
- \$40K over 18 months
- Deadline 2/9/2026
- **Website**

RARE DISEASE

Myotonic Dystrophy Foundation

Pilot Grants

- MD, PhD, ScD, or equivalent
- Applicants may apply once per calendar year
- Once receiving an award, grantees are not eligible to apply for three calendar years
- Applicants may only apply for one type of MDF grant at a time and may only receive one grant during the duration of their award
- \$50K over 1 year
- Deadline 3/20/2026
- **Website**

REPRODUCTIVE SCIENCE

Society of Family Planning

Changemakers in Family Planning

- Self-identify as a person of color
- Have completed a terminal degree program within ten years of submitting an application
- Have never served as a PI for a family planning research project with a budget of \$250K or greater, or have never served as a PI for family planning research
- \$60K over 18 months
- Deadline 5/12/2026
- **Website**

RHEUMATOLOGY

Childhood Arthritis and Rheumatology Research Alliance (CARRA)

CARRA-AF Data Analysis Support Grant

- MD or equivalent, PhD, or MD/PhD
- The project principal investigator (PI) must be a CARRA member
- \$15K over 1 year; 8 awards
- Rolling basis
- **Website**

SPINE

Cervical Spine Research Society (CSRS)

21st Century Grants (Basic Science and/or Clinical Research)

- One member of the research team must be an Active Member of CSRS
- \$150K over 2 years
- Deadline 2/27/2026 LOI
- **Website**

Resident/Fellow Grants

- Resident/Fellow
- Applicants should remain in residency/fellowship for the entire duration of their project and see it to completion at the same institution
- One member of the research team must be an Active Member of CSRS
- \$20K over 1 year
- Deadline 2/27/2026 LOI
- **Website**

Seed/Starter Grants

- Young Primary Investigator, Attending Surgeon
- Within their first 10 years of practice
- One member of the research team must be an Active Member of CSRS
- \$35K over 12-18 months
- Deadline 2/27/2026 LOI
- **Website**

Spinal Cord Research Grants (Basic Science and/or Clinical Research)

- One member of the research team must be an Active Member of CSRS
- \$40K over 1-2 years
- Deadline 2/27/2026 LOI
- **Website**

SURGERY

American Society of Colon and Rectal Surgeons (ASCRS) | Research Foundation of ASCRS

Eugene Salvati, MD, Limited Project Grant

- ASCRS members must be co-principal investigators or principal investigators
- \$25K over 1 year
- Deadline 3/15/2026
- **Website**

VISION

The Glaucoma Foundation

Exfoliation Syndrome and Exfoliation Glaucoma, Pressure-Independent Mechanisms of Glaucoma, Neuroprotection, and the Genetics of Glaucomas that Effect the People Under the Age of 40

- Full-time faculty position or the equivalent
- A grantee is permitted to apply for a grant renewal of up to \$75K
- A renewal grant is a one-year grant based on research findings from the initial research
- \$75K over 1 year
- Deadline 3/16/2026
- **Website**

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