

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.

FEATURED OPPORTUNITY**Edward P. Evans Foundation****EvansMDS Discovery Research Grants**

- Tenure-track or Tenured Faculty
- Assistant Professor (or equivalent) or higher
- Mid to established career
- \$750K over 3 years
- Deadline 1/31/2026 LOI
- UMass Recipients: 2018 Michelle A. Kelliher, PhD
- **Website**

AGING**RRF Foundation for Aging****Advocacy Grants**

- Organizations may submit only one Letter of Inquiry per deadline
- Common exceptions include LOIs submitted by separate departments of large universities
- Amount and/or duration vary and/or are unpublicized
- Deadline 2/1/2026, 5/1/2026 LOI
- **Website**

Professional Education and Training Grants

- Organizations may submit only one Letter of Inquiry per deadline
- Common exceptions include LOIs submitted by separate departments of large universities
- Amount and/or duration vary and/or are unpublicized
- Deadline 2/1/2026, 5/1/2026 LOI
- **Website**

Research Grants

- Organizations may submit only one Letter of Inquiry per deadline
- Common exceptions include LOIs submitted by separate departments of large universities
- Amount and/or duration vary and/or are unpublicized
- Deadline 2/1/2026, 5/1/2026 LOI
- **Website**

ANESTHESIOLOGY**Anesthesia Patient Safety Foundation (APSF)****Investigator Initiated Research (IIR) Grants**

- \$200K over 2 years
- Possibility of a waiver for up to \$300K
- Deadline 2/15/2026 LOI
- UMass Recipients: 2019 Jennifer, Waltz, MD
- **Website**

Foundation for Anesthesia Education and Research (FAER)

APSF-FAER Mentored Research Training Grant

- Faculty
- Anesthesiologist faculty member within 10 years of their first faculty appointment
- ASA member
- \$300K over 2 years
- Deadline 1/1/2026 LOI
- **Website**

FAER GEMSSTAR Grant

- New Investigators with R03 GEMSSTAR awards from the National Institute of Aging (NIA)
- \$50K over 2 years
- Rolling basis
- **Website**

FAER Mentored Research Training Grant (MRTG)

- Faculty
- Anesthesiologist faculty member within 10 years of core anesthesiology training
- ASA member
- \$300K over 2 years
- Deadline 2/15/2026, 8/15/2026
- **Website**

FAER Research Fellowship Grant (RFG)

- Trainee
- Anesthesiology trainees after CA-1 year
- ASA member
- \$75K over 1 year
- Deadline 2/15/2026, 8/15/2026
- **Website**

FAER Research in Education Grant (REG)

- Faculty
- Anesthesiology faculty members of any rank (junior or senior faculty)
- ASA member
- \$100K over 2 years
- Deadline 2/15/2026, 8/15/2026
- **Website**

FAER Transition to Independence Grant (TIG)

- Faculty
- Primary investigators (not co-investigators) who have completed work on a FAER Mentored Research Training Grant within the past two years and are in the process of revising and resubmitting an application for new independent research funding (R01/21, VA Merit, AHRQ or equivalent)
- ASA member
- \$75K over 1 year
- Rolling basis
- **Website**

BASIC SCIENCE

Research Corporation for Science Advancement (RCSA)

Scialog Award

- Faculty
- Early career
- Self-nominations accepted
- Amount and/or duration vary and/or are unpublicized
- Over 1 year
- Rolling basis
- UMass Recipients: 2025 Eviatar Isac Yemini, PhD
- **Website**

BIOMEDICAL

American Association for Laboratory Animal Science (AALAS)

Grants for Laboratory Animal Science (GLAS) Program

- AALAS member

- \$50K over 1 year
- Deadline 2/1/2026
- **Website**

UMass Chan Medical School

2026 OTCV Technology Development Fund **LIMITED SUBMISSION**

- Faculty
- See email dated 11/19/25 from the Office of Research/Center for Clinical and Translational Science or **InfoReady** for more information
- Please submit a 1-page research concept proposal, NIH Biosketch for PI(s) with link to full list of publications, and a Letter of Support from your Department Chair or Division Chief to **InfoReady Submission**
- \$35K over 1 year
- Internal deadline 1/5/2026

CARDIOLOGY

American Heart Association (AHA)

Using Real-World Data to Address Prevalence and Treatment of Cardiovascular, Kidney and Metabolic Disease in Cancer Patients and Survivors

- Proposals are encouraged from multidisciplinary researcher teams with expertise in two or more of the following areas: cardio-oncology, cardiovascular, kidney and metabolic disease, health economics, epidemiology, and biostatistics with experience in causal inference methods, machine learning, and cardiovascular research
- AHA member
- \$150K over 1 year; 5 awards
- Deadline 1/19/2026
- **Website**

COMMUNITY PROGRAMS

Craig H. Neilsen Foundation

Community Support Grants: Creating Opportunity & Independence (CO&I) for Individuals and Families Living with Spinal Cord Injuries

- \$200K over 1-2 years
- Deadline 1/26/2026 LOI
- **Website**

ENDOCRINOLOGY

Thomas J. Beatson Jr. Foundation

Passion to Find a Cure Grants Program in Type 1 Diabetes

- Faculty
- Senior Instructor, Assistant Professor or higher
- \$250K over 2 years; 5 awards
- Deadline 2/13/2026
- **Website**

Sanofi

T1D Innovation Grant Program

- Early to established career
- €140,000 over 1 year; 5 awards
- Deadline 12/19/2025
- **Website**

GENETICS

Children's Tumor Foundation

NF Clinical Research Award (CRA)

- MD, PhD, or other advanced degree
- \$200K over 2 years
- Deadline 2/3/2026 LOI
- **Website**

Foundation for Angelman Syndrome Therapeutics (FAST)

FAST Impact Award

- Early to established career
- \$1M over 1 year
- Rolling basis LOI
- **Website**

FAST Innovation Seed Grant

- Early to established career
- Open to both individual researchers and collaborative teams, including partnerships between academic institutions and industry entities
- \$10K-\$50K over 1 year
- Rolling basis LOI
- **Website**

FAST Postdoctoral Fellowship

- Early career
- Applicants must hold a postdoctoral fellowship position at an institution/university at the time of award submission and throughout the proposed awarded period
- \$100K over 2 years
- Rolling basis LOI
- **Website**

FAST-TRAC Award

- Early to established career
- Recipients of this funding are expected to generate data that can be utilized for future grants and publications
- \$300K over 2 years
- Rolling basis LOI
- **Website**

New Investigator Award

- Faculty
- Early career
- Within first five years of an academic position
- \$150K over 1 year
- Rolling basis LOI
- **Website**

Malan Syndrome Foundation**Grants for Basic, Translational and Clinical Research**

- Early to established career
- \$60K over 2 years
- Rolling basis
- **Website**

HEALTH CARE**The Greenwall Foundation****Making a Difference in Real-World Bioethics Dilemmas Program**

- PhD, JD, MD, or equivalent doctoral-level degree
- Amount and/or duration vary and/or are unpublicized
- Over 1 year
- Deadline 1/5/2026 LOI
- **Website**

William T. Grant Foundation**Research Grants on Reducing Inequality - Major Research Grants**

- Projects involving secondary data analysis are typically at the lower end of the budget range, whereas projects involving new data collection and sample recruitment can be at the higher end
- Applicants may submit only one application per cycle as the Principal Investigator
- \$100K-\$600K over 2-3 years
- Deadline 1/7/2026 LOI
- **Website**

Research Grants on Reducing Inequality - Officers' Research Grants

- Studies may be stand-alone projects or may build off larger projects
- Applicants may submit only one application per cycle as the Principal Investigator
- \$25K-\$50K over 1-2 years

- Deadline 1/7/2026 LOI
- **Website**

HEMATOLOGY

Cooley's Anemia Foundation

Ongoing Clinical Research in Thalassemia

- Faculty
- Early to established career
- MD, RN, PhD, MPH, MSW, or other disciplines
- \$100K over 2 years
- Deadline 12/15/2025 LOI
- **Website**

INFECTIOUS DISEASE

Campbell Foundation

Grants for HIV & AIDS Research

- LOIs are accepted during January, April, July and October of each year with no set deadlines, but since all grants are handled chronologically, they suggest submitting as early as possible
- Only able to consider LOIs from one research team at any given institution within a one-year time frame due to funding limitations
- \$60K-\$100K over 1 year
- Rolling basis LOI
- **Website**

MICROBIOME

American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS)

NOSTER & Science Microbiome Prize

- Early career
- MD, PhD, MD/PhD
- Have received their degree in the last 10 years
- \$25K over 1 year
- Deadline 2/14/2026
- **Website**

NEUROLOGY

Alzheimer's Association

Alzheimer's Association World Wide FINGERS Network Funding Program (ALZ WW-FNFP)

- Full-time Faculty
- Open to researchers in the WW-FINGERS Network
- \$500K over 3 years
- Rolling basis LOI
- **Website**

American Academy of Neurology

Ralph L. Sacco Scholarships in Brain Health *(partnered with the American Heart Association/American Stroke Association)*

- Early career
- At the time of award activation, the applicant must hold a post-baccalaureate PhD degree or equivalent, or a doctoral-level clinical degree such as MD, DO, DNP, DVM, PharmD, DDS, DrPH, or PhD in nursing, public health or other clinical health science
- At the time of award activation, the applicant may have had no more than five years of research training or experience since obtaining a post-baccalaureate doctoral-level degree (excluding clinical training)
- \$150K over 2 years
- Deadline 1/29/2026
- **Website**

Brain Injury Association of America

The Sheldon Berrol, M.D. Clinical Service Award

- Deadline 12/30/2025

- **Website**

The William Fields Caveness Award

- Deadline 12/30/2025
- **Website**

The Dana Foundation

Neuroscience & Society Pilot Grants

- \$150K over 18 months
- Deadline 1/30/2026 LOI
- **Website**

FSHD Global Research Foundation Ltd.

Research Grants

- Clinician, Scientist
- Amount and/or duration vary and/or are unpublicized
- Rolling basis
- UMass Recipients: 2014 Rossella Tupler, MD, PhD
- **Website**

Jain Foundation

Research Grants for the Treatment or Cure for Dysferlinopathy

- Submission of a pre-proposal is optional
- Amount and/or duration vary and/or are unpublicized
- Over 1 year
- Rolling basis
- **Website**

Limb Girdle Muscular Dystrophy 2i Research Fund

Research Grants

- Amount and/or duration vary and/or are unpublicized
- Rolling basis LOI
- UMass Recipients: 2024 Charles P. Emerson Jr., PhD
- **Website**

Michael J. Fox Foundation for Parkinson's Research (MJFF)

Alpha-Synuclein Imaging Prize

- \$2M over 1 year
- Rolling basis
- **Website**

Migraine Research Foundation

Research Grants

- Amount and/or duration vary and/or are unpublicized
- Rolling basis LOI
- **Website**

Moebius Syndrome Foundation

Research Grant

- Faculty, Medical Graduate, or Post-doctoral Student
- The investigator must be a medical, graduate, or post-doctoral student or be within three years of obtaining his or her first faculty appointment
- For medical, graduate, and post-doctoral students, a faculty mentor is required, but this mentor should not have extensive experience studying Moebius syndrome as the aim is to develop an independent research project by the applicant
- \$100K over 2 years; 1 award
- Rolling basis
- **Website**

Tourette Association of America

Support for Research Consortia and Collaborative Research Projects

- Amount and/or duration vary and/or are unpublicized
- Rolling basis LOI
- **Website**

Young Investigator Award

- Post-doctoral Fellow, Independent Clinical/Research Faculty
- Early career
- PhD, MD, or equivalent
- Within 5 years of first independent faculty appointment at the time of pre-proposal application submission
- \$150K over 2 years
- Deadline 1/23/2026 LOI
- **Website**

NURSING

Agnes Marshall Walker Foundation

Research Grants in Neuroscience

- Amount and/or duration vary and/or are unpublicized
- Deadline 2/13/2026
- **Website**

ONCOLOGY

American Association for Cancer Research (AACR)

AACR Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer Research Fellowship

- Postdoctoral Fellow, Clinical Research Fellow, or the equivalent
- PhD, MD, MD/PhD, or equivalent
- Have completed their most recent doctoral degree within the past 5 years
- Applicants with a medical degree must have completed their most recent doctoral degree or medical residency - whichever date is later - within the past five years
- AACR member
- \$130K over 2 years
- Deadline 1/22/2026
- **Website**

Bladder Cancer Advocacy Network (BCAN)

Research Innovation Award

- Faculty
- Assistant Professor, Research Assistant Professor, Tenure-Track Investigator, or higher
- Early to established career
- PhD, MD, DO, DDS, DVM, PharmD, ScD, DNS, or equivalent doctoral degree
- \$300K over 2 years
- Deadline 1/13/2026 LOI
- **Website**

Edward P. Evans Foundation

EvansMDS Discovery Research Grants

- Tenure-track or Tenured Faculty
- Assistant Professor (or equivalent) or higher
- Mid to established career
- \$750K over 3 years
- Deadline 1/31/2026 LOI
- UMass Recipients: 2018 Michelle A. Kelliher, PhD
- **Website**

EvansMDS Young Investigator Awards

- Physician, Scientist
- Early career
- MD, PhD, MD/PhD
- Currently in a non-tenure track (or equivalent) position with a university or hospital
- Within nine years of completing their last graduate degree
- \$450K over 3 years
- Deadline 1/31/2026
- **Website**

Hyundai Motor America: Hyundai Hope on Wheels

Hope Scholar Grant **LIMITED SUBMISSION**

- Faculty
- Assistant Professor or higher
- Mid to established career

- MD/DO, MD/DO/PhD
- No less than 7 years may have elapsed from the start of their pediatric oncology fellowship training
- See email dated 12/9/25 from the Office of Research/Center for Clinical and Translational Science or **InfoReady** for more information
- Contact CFR as there are limited applicants we can put forth and CFR is coordinating our applications
- \$400K over 2 years
- Internal deadline 1/12/2026
- UMass Recipients: 2021 Jason Shohet, MD, PhD; 2019 Jason Shohet, MD, PhD; 2016 Wen Xue, PhD; 2015 Lucio Castilla, PhD; 2014 Jack Leonard, PhD; 2013 Michelle Kelliher, PhD; 2011 Peter Newburger, MD, PhD
- **Website**

Young Investigator Grant **LIMITED SUBMISSION**

- Faculty, Postdoctoral
- No higher than Assistant Professor
- Early career
- MD/DO, MD/DO/PhD
- Currently in the 3rd or 4th year of an ACGME accredited pediatric hematology-oncology fellowship training program and conducting pediatric cancer research OR PI may be a pediatric oncologist holding a rank no higher than Assistant Professor
- No more than 7 years may have elapsed since the start of pediatric hematology-oncology fellowship training
- A PhD is not eligible to be a PI, for the purposes of the award, but may participate as a member of a research team
- See email dated 12/9/25 from the Office of Research/Center for Clinical and Translational Science or **InfoReady** for more information
- Contact CFR as there are limited applicants we can put forth and CFR is coordinating our applications
- \$300K over 2 years
- Internal deadline 1/12/2026
- **Website**

Lung Cancer Foundation of America (LFCA)

LCFA/IASLC Translational Research Grants in Thoracic Oncology

- Faculty
- Instructor, Assistant Professor, Associate Professor, or equivalent level
- PhD, MD, DO, PharmD, ScD, or equivalent
- For physicians: be within seven years of completion of residency or fellowship
- For laboratory scientists: be within seven years of completion of post-doctoral work
- IASLC member
- \$200K over 2 years
- Deadline 1/8/2026
- **Website**

The Lustgarten Foundation

Lustgarten Foundation-AACR Career Development Award for Pancreatic Cancer Research, in Honor of Ruth Bader Ginsburg and John Robert Lewis

- Faculty
- Assistant Professor
- PhD, MD, MD/PhD, or equivalent
- AACR member
- Contact CFR as there are limited applicants we can put forth and CFR is coordinating our applications
- \$300K over 3 years
- Deadline 1/6/2026
- **Website**

Pancreatic Cancer Action Network (PANCAN)

Research Recovery Grants

- PhD, MD, DO, DC, ND, DDS, DVM, ScD, DNS, PharmD, or equivalent
- Applicant must be Principal Investigator (PI) on a federal award who either received notification in 2025 of sudden, unanticipated termination in extramural funding prior to the anticipated project end date/no-cost extension date, through no action of the PI, or routine course of grant OR expected to be funded in 2025 (received a Summary Statement containing scores and critiques as communicated by the agency delegate) but has not received the anticipated funding because of federal agency delays
- \$125K over 1 year
- Deadline 1/9/2026

- **Website**

Pfizer

Advancing Care for Patients with Advanced ALK+ Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer [NSCLC] (partnered with ALK Positive)

- \$100K over 18 months; 4 awards
- Deadline 2/18/2026
- **Website**

ORTHOPEDICS

Orthopaedic Research and Education Foundation (OREF)

OREF Mentored Clinician Scientist Grant

- Must be an orthopaedic surgeon licensed to practice in the United States and working at an institution in the U.S.
- \$20K over 1 year
- Deadline 2/16/2026
- **Website**

OREF Prevention of Musculoskeletal Youth Sports Injuries Research Grant in Honor of James R. Andrews, MD

- An orthopaedic surgeon licensed to practice in the United States may serve as Principal Investigator (PI) or co-PI
- Multidisciplinary research activity is always encouraged
- PhDs and DVMs may serve as the principal investigator (PI) if she/he has a primary or secondary faculty appointment in an orthopaedic department
- \$25K over 1 year
- Deadline 2/16/2026
- **Website**

OREF/Musculoskeletal Transplant Foundation Research Grant

- Faculty
- PhD may serve as the principal investigator (PI) and must hold a faculty appointment in an orthopaedic department
- \$100K over 2 years
- Deadline 2/16/2026
- **Website**

PEDIATRICS

Thrasher Research Fund

E.W. "Al" Thrasher Awards

- Doctoral-level degree
- \$550K over 3 years
- Deadline 1/13/2026, 7/14/2026 LOI
- **Website**

PHARMACEUTICAL

American Society of Health-System Pharmacists Foundation (ASHP)

Optimizing Technology Solutions Innovation Grant

- The principal investigator must be a licensed pharmacist
- \$50K over 1 year; 2 awards
- Deadline 1/30/2026
- **Website**

Sanofi

iDEA-TECH Awards North America

- \$150K over 1 year
- Deadline 12/12/2025 LOI
- **Website**

PSYCH

Hilda and Preston Davis Foundation

Grants for Eating Disorders and Youth Development

- \$25K over 1 year
- Rolling basis
- **Website**

EMDR Research Foundation

Research Grant - Eye Movement Desensitization and Reprocessing

- Faculty, Postdoctoral, Clinician
- A researcher who has earned a doctorate in social work, psychology, nursing or a related field, who is affiliated with a college, university, or research institution, is eligible to apply for this grant
- Practitioners/clinicians who possess relevant research experience are encouraged to apply
- \$40K over 2 years
- Deadline 2/1/2026, 7/1/2026
- **Website**

The William C. Risser Charitable Trust

Grants for Mental Health Research *(managed by Wells Fargo)*

- Research relating to Schizophrenia
- \$25K-\$55K over 1 year; 1-2 awards
- Deadline 2/15/2026
- **Website**

Society for Research in Child Development

Victoria S. Levin Grant for Early Career Success in Young Children's Mental Health Research

- Early career
- Received a doctoral degree (or equivalent) within ten years of submitting the application
- SRCD member
- \$25K over 1 year; 1 award
- Deadline 1/9/2026
- **Website**

PULMONOLOGY

European Respiratory Society (ERS)

ERS Mid-Career Gold Medal Awards

- Early to established career
- Candidates may be nominated by a peer or may apply directly for themselves
- Age 50 years old or below by the application deadline
- ERS member
- Deadline 1/15/2026
- **Website**

Pulmonary Hypertension Association

PHA Innovation Research Award

- \$120K over 2 years
- Deadline 1/7/2026 LOI
- **Website**

RHEUMATOLOGY

Breakthrough T1D

Common Mechanisms in Autoimmunity Insight Awards *(partnered with the Lupus Research Alliance and the National Multiple Sclerosis Society)*

- Faculty
- Early to established career
- MD, DMD, DVM, PhD, or equivalent
- Contact CFR for more information prior to contacting this sponsor as we have existing relationships
- \$150K over 1 year
- Deadline 1/8/2026
- **Website**

Childhood Arthritis and Rheumatology Research Alliance (CARRA)

CARRA-AF Flex Fund

- Pediatric Rheumatologist, Fellow
- MD or equivalent, PhD, or MD/PhD
- The project principal investigator (PI) must be a CARRA member in good standing
- \$20K over 1 year; 11 awards
- Deadline 1/20/2026, 5/18/2026, 9/21/2026
- **Website**

Lupus Research Alliance

Mechanistic Clinical Award

- Faculty or equivalent position
- MD, PhD, DO, or equivalent
- Must lead an independent research team
- Only one application will be accepted per applicant in a grant cycle (applications on distinct projects can be submitted to other grant mechanisms)
- \$750K over 3 years
- Deadline 2/12/2026
- **Website**

SPINE

North American Spine Society (NASS)

Nontraditional, Nonsurgical Treatment Grants

- Early to established career
- NASS member
- \$50K over 1-2 years
- Deadline 2/9/2026 LOI
- **Website**

Research Grants (Basic, Clinical, Translational)

- Early to established career
- NASS member
- \$50K over 1-2 years
- Deadline 2/9/2026 LOI
- **Website**

Young Investigator Grants

- Early career
- NASS member
- \$50K over 1-2 years
- Deadline 2/9/2026 LOI
- **Website**

SURGERY

AlloSource

Investigator-Initiated Research for Organ and Issue Transplantation

- Early to established career
- Amount and/or duration vary and/or are unpublicized
- Rolling basis
- **Website**

American Association for the Surgery of Trauma (AAST)

AAST Research Scholarships

- Early career
- AAST Associate Members are strongly encouraged to apply
- \$50K over 1 year
- Deadline 2/2/2026
- **Website**

Focused Ultrasound Surgery Foundation

Clinical Awards

- Amount and/or duration vary and/or are unpublicized
- Rolling basis LOI
- **Website**

Preclinical Awards

- \$100K over 1 year

- Rolling basis LOI
- **Website**

WOMEN'S HEALTH

The She Plus Foundation (formerly the Patty Brisben Foundation)

Research Grants

- Deadline 1/21/2026 LOI
- **Website**

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