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Accelerating the Pace of Drug Abuse Research Using Existing Data (R21 Clinical Trial Optional)

National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA),
US

Closing date: March 07, 2023

The purpose of this Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) is to invite applications proposing innovative analysis of existing social science, behavioral, administrative, and neuroimaging data to study the etiology and epidemiology of substance using behaviors (defined as alcohol, tobacco, prescription, and other substances) and related disorders, prevention of substance use and HIV, and health service utilization. This FOA encourages the analyses of public use and other extant community-based or clinical datasets to their full potential in order to increase our knowledge of etiology, trajectories of substance using behaviors and their consequences including morbidity and mortality, risk and resilience in the development of psychopathology, strategies to guide the development,

testing, implementation, and delivery of high quality, effective and efficient services for the prevention and treatment of substance use disorder and HIV. Primary data collection is not allowed for applications in response to this FOA.

Non-domestic (non-U.S.) Entities (Foreign Institutions) are eligible to apply.

The combined budget for direct costs for the two-year project period may not exceed \$275,000.

<https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-DA-22-038.html>

Newton International Fellowships - Natural Sciences

Royal Society, GB

Closing date: March 07, 2023

These fellowships are for non-UK scientists who are at an early stage of their research career and wish to conduct research in the UK. Research must be within the Royal Society's remit of natural sciences, which includes but is not limited

to biological research, chemistry, engineering, mathematics and physics.

This scheme focuses on early career international researchers. The aims of this scheme are as follows:

- To support the development and training of postdoctoral researchers at an early stage of their career from any country outside the UK, by providing an opportunity to work at a UK research institution for two years.
- To ensure the best postdoctoral researchers across all relevant disciplines from around the world are supported in the UK.
- To foster long-term relations between Newton International Fellows and the UK research base through the establishment of an alumni programme for former Fellows of this Scheme. The alumni programme includes the possible provision of further funding for Newton International Fellows for follow-on activities, to enable links with UK-based researchers to be maintained and developed.

To be eligible to apply you must:

- have a PhD, or will have a PhD by the time the funding starts
- have no more than 7 years of active full time postdoctoral experience at the time of application
- be working outside the UK
- not hold UK citizenship

<https://royalsociety.org/grants-schemes-awards/grants/newton-international/>

Implementation Research on Noncommunicable Disease Risk Factors among Low- and Middle-Income Country and Tribal Populations Living in City Environments (R61/R33 Clinical Trial Required)

National Institutes of Health (NIH), US

Closing date: March 09, 2023

This FOA supports applications that propose implementation research to reduce the risks of NCDs in the context of cities in LMICs and/or among AI/AN populations in US cities, with the potential to equip policymakers and practitioners with evidence-based strategies for prevention and/or management of NCDs among disadvantaged populations globally. NIH defines implementation research as the scientific study of the use of strategies to adopt and integrate evidence-based health interventions into clinical and community settings to improve individual outcomes and benefit population health.

Non-domestic (non-U.S.) Entities (Foreign Institutions) are eligible to apply. Non-domestic applicant organizations are restricted to organizations in LMICs, which are defined by The World Bank as low-, lower-middle-, or upper-middle-income economies.

Application budgets are not limited but need to reflect the actual needs of the proposed project.

<https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-23-043.html>

Novel culturing of aquatic organisms for blue biotechnology applications

Horizon Europe: Global Challenges and European Industrial Competitiveness, EU

Closing date: March 28, 2023

This supports projects that set out a credible pathway to developing circular economy and bioeconomy sectors, achieving sustainable and circular management and use of natural resources, as well as prevention and removal of pollution.

Depending on the topic, proposals must take the form of coordination and support actions, research and innovation actions, or innovation actions. Coordination and support actions require one or more legal entities established in an EU member state, Horizon Europe associated country or, in exceptional cases, another third country. Research and innovation actions and innovation actions require participation by at least three legal entities; each established in a different EU member state or Horizon Europe associated country. Participants from selected LMICs are automatically eligible for funding.

<https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/opportunities/topic-details/horizon-cl6-2023-circbio-01-11;callCode=null;freeTextSearchKeyword=HORIZON-CL6-2023-CircBio-01;matchWholeText=true;typeCodes=0,1,2,8;statusCodes=31094501,31094502,31094503;programmePeriod=null;programCcm2Id=null;programDivisionCode=null;focusAreaCode=null;destinationGroup=null;missionGroup=null;g>

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Wellcome Career Development Awards

Wellcome Trust, UK

Closing date: April 4, 2023

This scheme provides funding for mid-career researchers from any discipline who have the potential to be international research leaders. They will develop their research capabilities, drive innovative programmes of work and deliver significant shifts in understanding that could improve human life, health and wellbeing.

Applications are invited from UK, Republic of Ireland, Low- or middle-income countries (apart from India and mainland China)

Grants are for research expenses for up to 8 years.

<https://wellcome.org/grant-funding/schemes/career-development-awards>

Wellcome Discovery Awards

Wellcome Trust, UK

Closing date: April 11, 2023

This scheme provides funding for established researchers and teams from any discipline who want to pursue bold and creative research ideas to deliver significant shifts in understanding that could improve human life, health and wellbeing.

Applications are invited from UK, Republic of Ireland, Low- or middle-income countries (apart from India and mainland China)

Grants are for research expenses for up to 8 years.

<https://wellcome.org/grant-funding/schemes/discovery-awards>

Funding Opportunities

Marine Mammal Commission (MMC), US

Closing date: April 12, 2023

The Marine Mammal Commission will be accepting proposals for projects focused on climate change effects on marine mammals.

The funder is seeking proposals for projects that:

Further our understanding of how climate change affects, either directly or indirectly, the reproductive performance, survivorship, abundance, or vital rates of marine mammals.

OR

Advance science-based conservation interventions or management strategies to mitigate climate-change induced threats to marine mammals. Ideally, such

approaches should be transferable across species and/or locations.

Eligibility: Applicants from both within the U.S. as well as outside the U.S. are eligible to apply (including both non-U.S. citizens and those affiliated with non-U.S. institutions).

<https://www.mmc.gov/grants-and-research-survey/current-funding-opportunities/>

Call for Proposals for European Research Council (ERC) Proof of Concept Grant (ERC-2023-POC)

European Research Council, EU

Closing date: April 20, 2023

The European Research Council invites applications for its Proof of Concept Grant (ERC-2023-POC). This aims at facilitating the exploration of the commercial and social innovation potential of ERC-funded research, by funding further work (i.e. activities that were not scheduled to be funded by the original ERC frontier research grant) to verify the innovation potential of ideas arising from ERC-funded projects. Proof of Concept Grants is therefore on offer only to Principal Investigators whose proposals draw substantially on their ERC-funded research.

Participants from non-associated non-EU countries may apply.

<https://ec.europa.eu/newsroom/erc/redirection/item/771270/en/2869>

Grants

OPRA Association, IL

Closing date: April 30, 2023

The OPRA Association invites applications for its grants. These support research which aims to improve the discrepancy between mainstream physical theories and experimental findings. Projects must align with one of the following topics:

- nuclear physics - including a problem in the photon-nucleon interaction, the electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) problem, the similarities between the nuclear and molecular potential, the tensor force in deuteron;
- strong interactions - including antiquarks in the proton, collision of polarised proton, isospin states of mesons and baryons, model of mesons, problems in strange hadrons, the neutron's mean square charge radius, the proton-proton cross section, the proton spin crisis, the radial density of the proton's quarks;
- weak interactions - including a problem with the electroweak theory, flavor generations and the W, Z bosons, locality problems of massive quantum particles, parity violation in weak interactions, problems in the electroweak Gamma5 factor.

Researchers affiliated with an academic institution in any country may apply, including faculty members and postdoctoral investigators.

Funding is worth up to USD 70,000 per project for a maximum of three years.

<https://oprassn.org/grants/>

The Mercury Project: 2023 Call for Proposals

Social Science Research Council, US

Closing date: May 1, 2023

In Fall 2021, the Social Science Research Council launched the Mercury Project, mobilizing social and behavioral scientists in a search for cost-effective and scalable solutions to build vaccination demand and healthier information environments.

The Mercury Project now invites proposals from researchers from around the globe to evaluate the causal impacts of online or offline interventions designed to increase demand for vaccinations consistent with national priorities, including childhood vaccines, HPV, polio, measles, and Covid-19 vaccinations, in low- and lower-middle income countries in Africa, Asia, and Latin America and the Caribbean.

Applicants are encouraged to consider the Mercury Project's Research Framework in developing proposals. Preference will be given to projects that:

- evaluate the effects of interventions on behavioral outcomes, including vaccination uptake;
- evaluate interventions that are designed and delivered in collaboration with governmental, NGO, and/or corporate partners;

- have demonstrated potential to be cost-effective at scale;
- include researchers and research institutions located in the countries in which the study is being conducted.

<https://www.ssrc.org/programs/the-mercury-project/call-for-proposals/>

Wellcome Early-Career Awards

Wellcome Trust, UK

Closing date: May 18, 2023

This scheme provides funding for early-career researchers from any discipline who are ready to develop their research identity. Through innovative projects, they will deliver shifts in understanding that could improve human life, health, and well-being. By the end of the award, they will be ready to lead their own independent research programme.

Applications are invited from UK, Republic of Ireland, Low- or middle-income countries (apart from India and mainland China)

Grants are your salary and up to £400,000 for research expenses up to 5 years.

<https://wellcome.org/grant-funding/schemes/early-career-awards#key-dates-d66b>

Call for Proposals for European Research Council (ERC) Advanced Grant (ERC-2023-ADG)

European Research Council, EU

Closing date: May 23, 2023

The European Research Council invites applications for its Advanced Grant (ERC-2023-ADG). ERC Advanced Grants are designed to support excellent Principal Investigators at the career stage at which they have already established research leaders with a recognised track record of research achievements. Principal Investigators must demonstrate the ground-breaking nature, ambition, and feasibility of their scientific proposal.

Participants from non-associated non-EU countries may apply.

Advanced Grants may be awarded up to a maximum of EUR 2 500 000 for a period of 5 years (the maximum award is reduced pro rata temporis for projects of shorter duration).

<https://ec.europa.eu/newsroom/erc/redirect/item/771272/en/2869>

Mental Health Award: Finding the Right Treatment, for the Right People, at the Right Time for Anxiety and Depression

Wellcome Trust, UK

Closing date: June 7, 2023

The Wellcome Trust invites applications for its Mental Health Award. This call aims to support the validation of biological, psychological, social or digital markers to enable stratification in anxiety and/or depression as early as possible. Stratification will allow targeted treatment and ensure that the right people get the right treatment at the right time.

Applications are invited from anywhere in the world.

Grants are up to GBP 5 million for 5 years.

<https://wellcome.org/grant-funding/schemes/mental-health-award-finding-right-treatment-right-people-right-time-anxiety>

Drue Heinz Literature Prize

[University of Pittsburgh, US](#)

Closing date: June 30, 2023

The Drue Heinz Literature Prize recognizes and supports writers of short fiction and makes their work available to readers around the world. The award is open to authors who have published a book-length collection of fiction or at least three short stories or novellas in commercial magazines or literary journals. Winners receive a cash prize of \$15,000, publication by the University of Pittsburgh Press, and support in the nationwide promotion of their book.

The award is open to writers who have published a novel or a book-length collection of fiction with a reputable book publisher, or a minimum of three short stories or novellas in magazines or journals of national distribution. Digital-only publication and self-publication do not count toward this requirement. The award is open to writers in English, whether or not they are citizens of the United States.

Winners receive a cash prize of \$15,000, publication by the University of Pittsburgh Press, and support in the nation-wide promotion of their book.

<https://upittpress.org/prize/drue-heinz-literature-prize/>

University of Göttingen 2022 Stephan Klasen Fellowship for Developing Countries

[University of Göttingen, DE](#)

Closing date: No deadline

The University of Göttingen invites applications for the Stephan Klasen Fellowship for Developing Countries. These enable postdoctoral fellows from developing countries to study in Göttingen for a one-year scientific exchange (no teaching required).

The fellowship period is usually from April 1st of one year to March 31st the following year. Fellows are expected to relocate to Göttingen for the period of the fellowship. The fellowship includes a monthly stipend and, if applicable, child and family allowances and a travel grant.

Applicants from low- and middle-income countries according to the OECD DAC list are eligible to apply. Candidates are further required to hold a PhD in development economics (or similar) before the start date of the fellowship. At least one of the two fellowships will be awarded to a female candidate. Disabled persons with equivalent aptitude will be favored. Application documents include an academic CV, one publication or working paper, contact details of at least two academic references and a two-page research statement. Applications should be submitted to bewerbungen@wiwi.uni-goettingen.de.

<https://uni-goettingen.de/en/632637.html>

Seven steps to writing a winning proposal

1 Start with the problem and explain how your research is going to be able to contribute towards resolving it. Provide the context (background) in which the problem exists in three sentences or less. Be realistic; don't be tempted to choose huge problems that you have no control over. Even if you do want to change the whole world, you have to start somewhere, and work one step at a time.

2 State your objective, that is, how the work you plan to do will address the problem you identified. Now make sure the objective is a SMART one. Be specific about what do you plan to do, as well as how, when, where, etc. List the outputs that you plan to generate. These are tangible products, such as a research paper, a laboratory report, a new drug, or a collection of artefacts – something that has a material form, that you can touch, and show to others.

3 Clarify your methodology; this will be discipline specific, but make sure your methodology is theoretically sound and appropriate to the problem you are trying to tackle.

4 Work out who needs to be involved and what they will do to make your objective a reality. This is a good place to include a simple Gantt chart.

5 Calculate what the research will cost: include all the time and the resources you need to complete the work.

6 Describe the impact your project will have. Say how you are going to monitor the work you are doing and what influence your research is going to have, locally or globally, and how you are going to share your results with others.

7 Submit on time, and in the way that the donor has stipulated. If the donor requires a hard copy, hire a courier to take it from your door to the donor's door. If the donor asks for an electronic copy only, do not bother them with a hard copy; send the application via email. If the donor requires the application to be filled in online, make sure you know how to do this long before the deadline arrives. Do what the donor stipulates.

Cost Sharing Procedures in UG:

To Request cost share, the Applicant must work with a Research Development Officer to:

1. Identify in-kind contribution sources within his/her unit.
2. Collect approval from the Unit Head/Head of Department.
3. Review sponsor requirements for cost share and ensure compliance.
4. Ensure cost share requirements are accounted for and accomplished.
5. Submit Budget indicating Cost share to ORID for institutional approval.

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