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# Research Administration Newsletter

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## Funding Opportunities

### **Nanoscience and Nanotechnology in Biology and Medicine(R21)**

This funding opportunity announcement (FOA), issued as an initiative of the trans-NIH Bioengineering Consortium (BECON), is aimed at enhancing nanoscience and nanotechnology research approaches that have the potential to make valuable contributions to biology and medicine.

Click link for details:

<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-06-475.html>

### **Promising Postdoctoral Research Scholars in the early stages of their careers are invited to apply for the The Giannini Family Foundation 2007 Medical Research Fellowship Award**

Stipends:

\$36,000 Year One

\$38,000 Year Two

\$40,000 Year Three

(Possible 2007 increase to be announced in December)

Interested candidates should submit to the Office of Scientific Affairs by *September 30<sup>th</sup>*:

- Endorsement of Mentor
- Brief Lay Summary of Proposal
- CV

The Giannini Family Foundation website:

[www.gianninifamilyfoundation.org](http://www.gianninifamilyfoundation.org)

(A.P. Giannini, was the founder of Bank of America)

*Info Session with a representative of the Giannini Foundation on the Health Science Campus in August/Sept. will be useful to potential applicants.*

The Fellowship Program supports innovative medical research in the basic sciences and applied fields and should help advance the translation of basic biomedical sciences into new treatments, preventions and cures. Applicants must be a United States citizen or Permanent Alien Resident, hold or have received before the fellowship begins a MD, Ph.D., or equivalent and be in the early stages of their postdoctoral training.

*Applications available by the end of July*

*Principal Investigators & Postdocs: By Sept. 30<sup>th</sup> please submit a preliminary endorsement, summary & CV to Laurel Martin, Office of Postdoctoral Affairs, Scientific Affairs, at: [laurelma@usc.edu](mailto:laurelma@usc.edu). Full application process to follow after initial screening.*

Questions? call: 323/442-1621, or walk-in: 110-C KAM

### **Ruth L. Kirschstein National Research Service Awards for Individual Predoctoral Fellowships (F31) to Promote Diversity in Health-Related Research**

The primary objective of this funding opportunity announcement is to help ensure that diverse pools of highly trained scientists will be available in appropriate research areas to carry out the Nation's biomedical, behavioral, health services, or clinical research agenda. This initiative seeks to improve the diversity of the health-related research workforce by supporting the training of predoctoral students from groups that have been shown to be underrepresented. Such candidates include individuals from underrepresented racial and ethnic groups, individuals with disabilities, and individuals from disadvantaged backgrounds. Detailed eligibility criteria are described in the full announcement.

Click link for details:

<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-06-481.html>

### **Foundation Fighting Blindness Career Development Award Program**

The Foundation Fighting Blindness is soliciting applications for Career Development Awards (CDA) to clinical research scientists of superior dedication and talent. The award is for junior investigators to pursue vigorous research programs to drive the research to find the therapies and cures for inherited retinal degenerative diseases (RDD). The goal of this Program is to facilitate advances in laboratory and clinical research, to elucidate the mechanisms for the etiology and pathogenesis of

RDD and to develop innovative strategies to prevent, treat and cure these diseases.

**Application Deadline: September 8, 2006**

**\*Please see separate Word document attachments for further information/instructions and application.**

## American Health Assistance Foundation

The American Health Assistance Foundation (AHAF) invites **applications from researchers at non-profit institutions for glaucoma research** up to \$45,000 per year for up to two years. The AHAF is seeking well-focused research grant applications from independent investigators early in their career, particularly new investigators with little or no previous grant support. Established investigators with new ideas or directions for their research will also be considered. Deadline for applications is October 10, 2006. For application forms and guidelines, logon to [www.ahaf.org](http://www.ahaf.org), call 301-948-3244, or e-mail [sbarnhouse@ahaf.org](mailto:sbarnhouse@ahaf.org)

## NIH Announcements

### Findings of Scientific Misconduct

Lingjie Zhao, University of Iowa: PHS found that Ms. Zhao engaged in research misconduct by falsifying research records included in: (a) A manuscript submitted for publication in Cancer Research, (b) drafts of her work reported in the laboratory, and (c) drafts of her work reported to her dissertation committee.

Click link for details:

<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-OD-06-084.html>

### NIH/AHRQ Reminder to Use Updated SF424 (R&R) and Agency-Specific Electronic Forms in Reposted FOAs

Once Funding Opportunity Announcements are updated with the new Version 2 form package, Grants.gov will no longer accept applications with the older package. You must use the updated form package.

Click link for details:

<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-OD-06-085.html>

## Other Resources



### ARTICLES July 2006

**President Vetoes Stem Cell Bill After Senate Passage; House Fails to Override**

**Senate LHHS Subcommittee Marks up FY2007 Spending Bill**

**Grants and Awards (on website, link on the left)**

Click link for details on above three articles:

<http://www.arvo.org/eweb/startpage.aspx?site=arvo2>

### Urgent Deadlines:

[August 15, 2006 – Pisart Award Nomination Deadline](#)

[August 27, 2006 – Abstract Deadline for Experimental Tools in Model Systems of Translational Vision Research Conference](#)

[August 31, 2006 – Deadline for Healthy Vision Community Awards Program Applications](#)

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