

Early Career Funding Opportunities

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A.P. Giannini Family Foundation Postdoctoral Research Fellowship Program	http://aggianninifoundation.org/fellowship-program/	Deadline: November 3, 2021 3:00pm PST	The A.P. Giannini Foundation has played an important role in science philanthropy since its inception in 1945. The Foundation has distributed nearly \$40 million to fund innovative research that advances the translation of biomedical sciences into treatments, preventions and cures for human diseases. Recent fellowship awards have supported research into heart disease, influenza, leukemia, embryonic development, Parkinson's, ALS and Alzheimer's diseases, autism, immunity and aging and novel therapies to address fertility issues, cystic fibrosis, melanoma, Hepatitis B, diabetes, prostate and lung cancer, kidney disease and follicle reconstitution.
Academic Pediatric Association, Young Investigator Awards (Various Areas)	https://www.academicped.org/research/research_young_investigator_or_awards.cfm	Applications for 2022 will be announced Summer 2021.	The APA Young Investigator Award funds projects in health services research, medical education, adolescent medicine, public health, epidemiology, emergency medicine, child maltreatment, hospitalist medicine, developmental/behavioral pediatrics, and other general pediatric clinical research domains. Each year, at least one award will be given to investigators from underrepresented minority (URM) groups. Awardees may receive up to \$10,000.
Air Force Office of Scientific Research (AFOSR), Young Investigator Award	https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppld=313523	Deadline: June 2022 (anticipated)	The Air Force Young Investigator Research Program (YIP) intends to support young in career scientists and engineers who have received Ph.D. or equivalent degrees by 1 April 2012 or later showing exceptional ability and promise for conducting basic research. The program objective is to foster creative basic research in science and engineering; enhance early career development of outstanding young investigators; and increase opportunities for the young investigator to recognize the Air Force mission and related challenges in science and engineering.
Alex's Lemonade Stand Foundation, Young Investigator Awards	https://www.alexlemonade.org/grants/program-areas/early-career-research-programs#program-142	Deadline: July 12, 2021, 8:00 PM (ET)	Young Investigator grants are designed to fill the critical need for startup funds for less experienced researchers to pursue promising research ideas. Eligible applicants may apply during their fellowship training or early in their research careers but must not have achieved an appointment higher than Instructor. These grants encourage and cultivate the best and brightest researchers of the future and lead to long-term research projects. The Young Investigator grant offers up to \$50,000 per year for three years.
Alfred P. Sloan Foundation, Sloan Research Fellows**	https://sloan.org/fellowships	Deadline: September 15, 2021 11:59PM EDT Letter of Intent Deadline: January 13, 2021 5 p.m. (EST) / Full Application Deadline: March 31, 2021 5 p.m. (EST)	The Sloan Research Fellowships seek to stimulate fundamental research by early-career scientists and scholars of outstanding promise. These two-year fellowships are awarded yearly to 126 researchers in recognition of distinguished performance and a unique potential to make substantial contributions to their field. The 2020 Sloan Research Fellows will receive fellowships in the amount of \$75,000.
Alzheimer's Association, New to the Field (AARG-NTF)	https://www.alz.org/research/for_researchers/grants/types-of-grants/aarg-ntf	Deadlines: May 15, 2021 and October 15, annually	The Alzheimer's Association Research Grant – New to the Field aims to fund investigators who are new to the Alzheimer's and all dementia field of research. The purpose of this program is to provide independent investigators with unique expertise and apply their knowledge to Alzheimer's and all dementias.
American Cancer Society, Research Scholar Grants in Basic, Preclinical, Clinical, and Epidemiology Research	https://www.cancer.org/research/we-fund-cancer-research/apply-research-grant.html	Deadlines: February 15, 2021 to Friday, March 12, 2021	These two-year fellowships are awarded yearly to 126 researchers in recognition of distinguished performance and a unique potential to make substantial contributions to their field. The 2020 Sloan Research Fellows will receive fellowships in the amount of \$75,000.
American Chemical Society, Petroleum Research Fund Doctoral New Investigator Grants (DNI)	https://www.acs.org/content/acs/en/funding-and-awards/grants/prf/programs/dni.html	Deadlines: December 15, 2020	As the nation's largest private, not-for-profit source of funds for scientists studying cancer, the American Cancer Society primarily supports beginning investigators. We also offer grants that support the clinical and/or research training of health professionals (nurses, physicians, and social workers). Our goal is to support and promote high impact and innovative cancer research across a wide range of disciplines to meet critically important needs in the control of cancer.
American Council of Learned Societies, Fellowships	http://www.acsls.org/grants/Default.aspx?id=380	Deadline: December 15, 2020	ACLS is one of the leading private institutions supporting scholars in the humanities and related social sciences at the doctoral and postdoctoral levels. Fellows and grantees in all programs are selected by committees of scholars appointed for this purpose.
American Diabetes Association, Junior Faculty Award and Minority Junior Faculty Award	https://www.professional.diabetes.org/meetings/core-program	Deadline: November 16, 2020 5pm EDT (The American Diabetes Association has suspended the 2020 Core Research Call for Applications)	The American Diabetes Association's Core Research Program funds research with novel and innovative hypotheses in any area relevant to the etiology or pathophysiology of diabetes and its complications that hold significant promise for advancing the prevention, cure or treatment of diabetes. Basic, clinical, translational and epidemiological or health services research approaches are encouraged.
American Federation for Aging Research, AFAR Research Grants	https://www.afar.org/research/funding/afar-research-grants/	Deadline: December 15, 2020	The Glenn Foundation for Medical Research and AFAR provide up to \$100,000 for a one- to two-year award to junior faculty (M.D.s and Ph.D.s) to conduct research that will serve as the basis for longer term research efforts on the biology of aging. These investigators study a broad range of biomedical and clinical topics related to aging.
American Foundation for Suicide Prevention, Young Investigator Innovation Grants	https://afsp.org/our-work/research/grant-information/	Deadline: November 15, 2021	AFSP's Research Grants support studies that will increase our understanding of suicide or test treatments and other interventions that save lives.
American Heart Association, Career Development Award	https://professional.heart.org/en/research-programs/application-information/career-development-award	Deadline: February 16, 2021	Supports highly promising healthcare and academic professionals, in the early years of one's first professional appointment, to explore innovative questions or pilot studies that will provide preliminary data and training necessary to assure the applicant's future success as a research scientist. The AHA funds basic, clinical, behavioral, translational and population research, bioengineering/biotechnology and public health problems broadly related to fulfilling our mission to be a relentless force for a world of longer, healthier lives. AHA awards are open to the array of academic and health professionals. This includes but is not limited to all academic disciplines (biology, chemistry, mathematics, technology, physics, etc.) and all health-related professions (physicians, nurses, advanced practice nurses, pharmacists, dentists, physical and occupational therapists, statisticians, nutritionists, behavioral scientists, engineers, etc.). Clinical, translational, population, behavioral, and basic scientists are encouraged to apply AHA strongly encourages applications by women, underrepresented minorities in the sciences, and those who have experienced diverse and non-traditional career trajectories.
American Liver Foundation, Liver Scholar Award	https://liverfoundation.org/medical-professionals/alf-research-awards-program/#2019-liver-scholar-award	Deadline: December 13, 2019 11:59pm EST (anticipated)	Since 1979, the Research Awards Program has provided more than \$26 million in research funding. Over 850 qualified scientists and physicians have pursued careers in liver disease research and treatment as a result of receiving these grants early in their careers. The American Liver Foundation is proud to support these research efforts and is hopeful that they will bring us closer to finding a cure for liver disease.
American Mathematical Association, Centennial Fellowships	http://www.ams.org/programs/ams-fellowships/centennial-fellow/emp-centifiver	Deadline: December 1, 2021 11:59 P.M. Eastern Time	fellowship program was aimed at recent PhDs. More recently, the AMS Council approved changes in the rules for the fellowships. The eligibility rules are as follows. The primary selection criterion for the Centennial Fellowship is the excellence of the candidate's research.
American Speech-Language-Hearing Foundation, Research Grant for New Investigators	https://www.ashfoundation.org/Apply/New-Investigators-Research-Grant/	Deadline: April 19, 2021 Proposals may be submitted at any time. Per open Broad Agency Announcement (BAA) for Fundamental Research for 1 April 2017 - 31 March 2022.	The American Speech-Language-Hearing Foundation (ASHFoundation) invites new researchers to submit proposals in competition for up to 10 research grants of \$10,000 each. The New Investigators Research Grant is designed to help further new investigators' research activities by funding preliminary studies that could launch larger-scale research studies. Research, while not limited in topic, should be focused to match a one-year scope and should have clinical relevance to audiology and/or speech-language pathology.
Army Research Office (ARO), Young Investigator Award	https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppld=292872	Deadline: September 1, 2020 11:59pm EDT	The Broad Agency Announcement (BAA) is a competitive solicitation procedure used to obtain proposals for basic and applied research and that part of development not related to the development of a specific system or hardware procurement. The BAA is described in FAR 6.102, "Use of Competitive Procedures," and FAR 35.016, "Broad Agency Announcements."
Association for Research in Vision and Ophthalmology (ARVO), Genentech Age-related Macular Degeneration Research Fellowships	https://www.arvo.org/arvo-foundation/what-we-fund/awards-grants-and-fellowships/genentech-amd-research-fellowships/ http://www.bayer-hemophilia-awards.com/about_the_program/?view=application_processes	Deadline: September 1, 2020 11:59pm EDT	Supporting research fellowships in the area of age-related macular degeneration
Bayer Hemophilia Awards Program, Early Career Investigator Award	http://www.bayer-hemophilia-awards.com/about_the_program/?view=application_processes	Deadline: April 2022	The Bayer Hemophilia Awards Program supports basic and clinical research and education in hemophilia. Through grants provided to early career investigators, fellows in training, and other hemophilia care professionals, the program seeks to support the next steps for the next generation of care and treatment options for people with hemophilia worldwide.

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Beckman Young Investigators**	http://www.beckman-foundation.org/programs/beckman-young-investigators-program-information	Deadline: Jan 10, 2022 5 p.m.	The Beckman Young Investigator (BYI) Program provides research support to the most promising young faculty members in the early stages of their academic careers in the chemical and life sciences, particularly to foster the invention of methods, instruments and materials that will open up new avenues of research in science.
Brain & Behavior Research Foundation, NARSAD Young Investigator Grant	https://www.bbrfoundation.org/grants-prizes	Deadline: March 25, 2021	Young Investigator Grants provide each scientist with up to \$35,000 per year for two years totaling \$70,000 to enable promising investigators to either extend research fellowship training or begin careers as independent research faculty. The Brain & Behavior Research Foundation awarded the first NARSAD Young Investigator Grant in 1987. The goal of the YI program is to help researchers launch careers in neuroscience and psychiatry and gather pilot data to apply for larger federal and university grants. Since 1987, we have awarded more than \$243 million in Young Investigator Grants around the world.
Burroughs Wellcome Fund, Career Awards for Medical Scientists**	https://www.bwfund.org/funding-opportunities/biomedical-sciences/career-awards-for-medical-scientists/	Deadline: October 1, 2020	The Burroughs Wellcome Fund's grantmaking strategies support biomedical scientists at the beginning of their careers and areas of science that are poised for significant advancement but are currently undervalued and underfunded.
Burroughs Wellcome Fund, Investigators in the Pathogenesis of Infectious Disease	https://www.bwfund.org/grant-programs/infectious-diseases/investigators-in-pathogenesis-of-infectious-disease	Deadline: Nov 15, 2021	The Investigators in the Pathogenesis of Infectious Disease (PATH) award provides \$500,000 over five years to support accomplished investigators at the assistant professor level to study pathogenesis, with a focus on the interplay between human and microbial biology, shedding light on how human and microbial systems are affected by their encounters.
Burroughs Wellcome Fund, Career Awards at the Scientific Interface	https://www.bwfund.org/grant-programs/interfaces-science/career-awards-scientific-interface	Deadline: Jan 08, 2021	BWF's Career Awards at the Scientific Interface (CASI) provide \$500,000 over five years to bridge advanced postdoctoral training and the first three years of faculty service. These awards are open to U.S. and Canadian citizens, permanent residents, and temporary residents.
Camille and Henry Dreyfus Foundation, Dreyfus Foundation Teacher-Scholar Awards*	http://dreyfus.org/awards/camille_dreyfus_teacher_award.shtml	Deadline: February 2, 2022	The Camille Dreyfus Teacher-Scholar Awards Program supports the research and teaching careers of talented young faculty in the chemical sciences. Based on institutional nominations, the program provides discretionary funding to faculty at an early stage in their careers. Criteria for selection include an independent body of scholarship attained in the early years of their appointment (see below), and a demonstrated commitment to education, signaling the promise of continuing outstanding contributions to both research and teaching. The Camille Dreyfus Teacher-Scholar Awards Program provides an unrestricted research grant of \$100,000.
Chan Zuckerberg Initiative, Ben Barres Early Career Acceleration and Collaborative Science Awards	https://chanzuckerberg.com/rfa/ben-barres-early-career-acceleration-awards/	Deadline: April 2022 (anticipated)	The Chan Zuckerberg Initiative invites applications to join the CZI Neurodegeneration Challenge Network, an interdisciplinary collaborative initiative to increase understanding of the fundamental biology of neurodegenerative disorders.
Children's Tumor Foundation, Young Investigator Awards	http://www.ctf.org/research/awards-applications	Letter of Intent Deadline: Jan 3, 2020 / Full Application Deadline: Mar 6, 2020	The Children's Tumor Foundation is the leading nongovernmental funding source of NF research in the world. Through the implementation of the Foundation's research awards, progress is being made on all fronts and for all types of NF. The Foundation's Research Awards Program funds investigator-initiated awards to support NF research. The program is comprised of four award mechanisms: the Young Investigator Award (YIA), which funds basic science; the Drug Discovery Initiative (DDI), which funds translational science (the development of new screening models and compound screens); the Drug Discovery Initiative Registered Reports (DDI-RR), which funds translational science while placing an emphasis on transparency and the peer review process; and the Clinical Research Award (CRA), which funds small-scale clinical trials and clinical trial adjunct studies.
Conquer Cancer Foundation of the American Society for Clinical Oncology, Young Investigator Award	https://www.asco.org/research-guidelines/grants-awards/funding-opportunities/young-investigator-award	Deadline: Applications are currently closed	The Young Investigator Award (YIA) provides funding to promising investigators to encourage and promote quality research in clinical oncology. The purpose of this grant is to fund physicians during the transition from a fellowship program to a faculty appointment.
Damon Runyon Cancer Research Foundation, Innovation Award	https://www.damonrunyon.org/for-scientists/application-guidelines/innovation	Deadline: July 1, 2021	The Damon Runyon-Rachleff Innovation Award is designed to provide support for the next generation of exceptionally creative thinkers with "high-risk/high-reward" ideas that have the potential to significantly impact our understanding of and/or approaches to the prevention, diagnosis or treatment of cancer.
Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA), Young Faculty Award	https://www.darpa.mil/work-with-us/for-universities/young-faculty-award	Deadline: November 12, 2019 (anticipated)	The Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA) Young Faculty Award (YFA) program aims to identify and engage rising stars in junior faculty positions in academia and equivalent positions at non-profit research institutions and expose them to Department of Defense (DoD) and National Security challenges and needs. In particular, this YFA will provide high-impact funding to elite researchers early in their careers to develop innovative new research directions in the context of enabling transformative DoD capabilities. The long-term goal of the program is to develop the next generation of scientists and engineers in the research community who will focus a significant portion of their future careers on DoD and National Security issues. DARPA is particularly interested in identifying outstanding researchers who have previously not been performers on DARPA programs, but the program is open to all qualified applicants with innovative research ideas.
Esther A. and Joseph Klingenstein Fund, Fellowship Awards in the Neurosciences	http://www.klingfund.org/	Deadline: February 10, 11:59pm EST	The Esther A. & Joseph Klingenstein Fund and the Simons Foundation announce the opening of its 2019 competition for research fellowships in neuroscience. Previously known as the Klingenstein Fellowship Awards in Neuroscience, this year's awards are the sixth from this joint project of the Klingenstein Fund and the Simons Foundation. The awards are among the nation's oldest and most illustrious fellowships for young investigators in neuroscience research. Aimed at advancing cutting-edge investigations, the awards are presented to highly promising, early career scientists. At this critical juncture in young investigators' careers, when funding can be a challenge, the fellowship awards promote higher-risk, and potentially higher-reward, projects.
Kauffman Knowledge Challenge	https://rfp.kauffman.org/	White paper deadline: May 2022 (anticipated)	The Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation works in education and entrepreneurship to carry out the vision of Ewing Kauffman, who believed that everyone should have the opportunity to take an uncommon approach in their drive to succeed. The Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation's Quality Enhancement Grants program supports quality improvement efforts in early learning programs serving children birth to five in the Kansas City region. Programs in Johnson and Wyandotte counties in Kansas and Cass, Clay, Jackson and Platte counties in Missouri enrolling at least forty percent children from lower-income families are eligible for grants of up to \$100,000 per year over two years. Organizations working directly with early learning programs on quality improvement initiatives also qualify for this opportunity.
Foundation Fighting Blindness, Career Development Awards	http://www.blindness.org/apply-for-funding#cda	Deadline: June 24, 2021, at 7 p.m. ET	The Foundation's goal was clear and focused: To drive the research that would lead to preventions, treatments, and vision restoration for the spectrum of degenerative retinal diseases, specifically macular degeneration – including age related macular degeneration, retinitis pigmentosa, Usher syndrome, Stargardt disease and Leber congenital amaurosis (LCA). Together these conditions affect more than 10 million Americans and millions more throughout the world.
Foundation for Food and Agricultural Research (FFAR), New Innovator in Food and Agricultural Research*	https://foundationfar.org/new-innovator/	Full Applications Due: May 5, 2021 at 5:00 pm ET	The New Innovator in Food and Agriculture Research Award is designed to provide the early investment needed to launch new faculty members into successful scientific careers in food and agriculture. Investing a substantial amount in faculty members within the first three years of their careers will allow them to pursue innovative and transformational ideas uninhibited by the pressure of identifying their next grant. The New Innovator Award seeks to promote career advancement of highly creative and promising new scientists who intend to make a long-term career commitment to research in food and agriculture and bring innovative, ground-breaking research initiatives and thinking to bear on problems facing food and agriculture.
Greenwall Foundation, Faculty Scholars Program in Bioethics	https://greenwall.org/faculty-scholars-program	Applications for 2021-2022 cycle will be announced in Summer 2021	The Greenwall Faculty Scholars Program in Bioethics is a career development award to enable junior faculty members to carry out innovative bioethics research. It supports research that goes beyond current work in bioethics to help resolve pressing ethical issues in clinical, biomedical, and public health decision-making, policy, and practice, and creates a community that enhances future bioethics research by Scholars and Alumni/ae.

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Human Frontier Science Program, Young Investigators' Research Grants	http://www.hfsp.org/funding/research-grants	Initiation of LOI Deadline: March 18th 2021	HFSP Research Grants support innovative basic research into fundamental biological problems with emphasis placed on novel and interdisciplinary approaches that involve scientific exchanges across national and disciplinary boundaries. Projects are expected to be at the frontiers of knowledge and therefore entail risk. Participation of scientists from disciplines outside the traditional life sciences such as biophysics, chemistry, computational biology, computer science, engineering, mathematics, nanoscience or physics is recommended because their contributions have made biological research increasingly quantitative and because such collaborations have opened up new approaches for understanding the complex structures and regulatory networks that characterize living organisms, their evolution and interactions.
James S. McDonnell Foundation, Post Doctoral Fellowship	https://www.jsmf.org/programs/cs/	Deadline: June 11, 2021 15:59 CDT	The Understanding Dynamic & Multi-scale Systems program (formerly the Studying Complex Systems) supports scholarship and research directed toward the development of theoretical and mathematical tools that can be applied to the study of complex, adaptive, nonlinear systems. It is anticipated that research funded in this program will address issues in fields such as biology, biodiversity, climate, demography, epidemiology, technological change, economic development, governance, or computation.
Jane Coffin Childs Memorial Fund for Medical Research	http://www.jccfund.org/fellowship-information/important-dates-and-documents/	Deadline: February 1, 2021 5pm EST (anticipated)	The Jane Coffin Childs Memorial Fund for Medical Research (known colloquially as the JCC Fund) was established in 1937 for the purpose of supporting research into the causes and treatment of cancer. The Fund has taken a broad approach to the study of cell growth and development, emphasizing the study of the basic biology and chemistry of the underlying processes. The Fund has increasingly focused its resources on the funding of three-year postdoctoral Fellowships, supporting Fellows selected by its Board of Scientific Advisers from among the best young scientists at what is often a critical stage in their careers. As a result, there have been over 1,600 Jane Coffin Childs Fellows doing basic cancer-related research in laboratories in North America, Europe, Japan and Australia.
Josiah Macy Jr. Foundation, Macy Faculty Scholars	http://macyfoundation.org/macy-scholars	Deadline: February 10, 2021, by 3:00 pm ET	The Macy Faculty Scholars Program is designed to identify and nurture the careers of promising educational innovators in medicine and nursing. We select up to five faculty leaders each year.
Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation, Career Development Award	http://grantcenter.idrf.org/rfa/career-development-awards/	JDRF will not issue an RFA for new training awards in FY21. We regret these unfortunate circumstances and will resume our usual process in FY22.	JDRF fosters the development and productivity of the best and the brightest established independent researchers who will bridge the gap between the bench and bedside. 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. In the five-year term of the award, awardees will focus their research efforts on a subject directly related to JDRF mission goals and research priorities, and position themselves to work at the leading edge of type 1 diabetes research. These awards are designed to assist exceptionally promising investigators. Although JDRF is especially interested in fostering careers in clinical investigation, Career Development Awards may emphasize either basic or clinical topics.
Leukemia Research Foundation, New Investigator Research Grants	https://allbloodcancers.org/researchgrants/guidelines/	Deadline: April 5, 2021, 12:00pm CST	The Leukemia Research Foundation exclusively funds New Investigators - individuals beginning to establish their own laboratories that are no longer under the tutelage of a senior scientist mentor. It is difficult for them to get the level of funding they need at this critical point in their careers.
LungEviTy, LUNGevity Career Development Awards	https://lungevity.org/research/translational-science-research-program/applying-for-lungevity-grant/2018-lungevity-career	LOIs due: by February 24, 2021 Full application due (by invitation only): May 10, 2021	LUNGevity's Career Development Awards for Translational Research program was created to support future research leaders who will keep the field of lung cancer research vibrant with new ideas.
Lupus Foundation of America, Career Development Award	https://www.lupus.org/research/career-development-award	Deadline: November 30th, 2020 at 5:00 PM EST	In 2013, the Lupus Foundation of America created the Gary S. Gilkeson Career Development Award to support early career scientists who are committed to lupus research. The award aids the professional growth of second- or third-year fellows in rheumatology, nephrology, and dermatology who seek careers as independent clinician-scientists. The award is given annually to 1 or 2 fellows, providing up to \$70,000 in funds to each awardee.
MAP Fund (Multi-Arts Fund), Performing Arts Grants	https://mapfundblog.org/	Deadline: January 28, 2021 at 11:59 p.m. EST	MAP invests in artistic production as the critical foundation of imagining—and ultimately co-creating—a more equitable and vibrant society. MAP awards \$1 million annually, to up to 45 projects in the range of \$10,000–\$45,000 per grant. The grant supports original live performance projects that embody a spirit of deep inquiry, particularly works created by artists who question, disrupt, complicate, and challenge inherited notions of social and cultural hierarchy across the United States.
McKnight Foundation, McKnight Scholar Awards	https://www.mcknight.org/programs/the-mcknight-endowment-fund-for-neuroscience/scholar-awards/	Deadline: January 4, 2021	The Scholar Awards support young scientists who: hold an M.D. and/or Ph.D. degree; have completed formal postdoctoral training; and demonstrate a commitment to neuroscience. The Endowment Fund especially seeks applicants working on problems that, if solved at the basic level, would have immediate and significant impact on clinically relevant issues.
National Academy of Education, Spencer Postdoctoral Fellowship Program	https://naeducation.org/naedspencer-postdoctoral-fellowship-program/	Deadline: November 17, 2021	The National Academy of Education/Spencer Postdoctoral Fellowship Program supports 30 early career scholars working in critical areas of education research. These \$70,000 fellowships support non-residential postdoctoral proposals that make significant scholarly contributions to the field of education. The program also develops the careers of its recipients through professional development activities involving National Academy of Education members.
National Ataxia Foundation, Young Investigator Award	https://ataxia.org/researcher-resources/#nyia	The 2021 application cycle has closed. Please check back in July 2021 for instructions regarding the 2022 funding cycle.	The National Ataxia Foundation is committed to funding the best science relevant to hereditary and sporadic types of ataxia in both basic and translational research. NAF invites research applications from domestic and International non-profit and for-profit institutions. Non-U.S. citizens are eligible to apply for a research grant from NAF.
National Kidney Foundation, Young Investigator Grant Program	https://www.kidney.org/professionals/research/awards	The deadline for a 2021 Research Grant has passed. Check back in the fall for the 2022 application.	The new KidneyX: Patient Innovator Challenge, funded by the National Kidney Foundation prize competition will challenge individuals, communities, businesses, institutions, and non-profit organizations, among others, for ideas on how to improve therapeutic options and quality of life for people living with kidney disease.
National Multiple Sclerosis Society, Harry Weaver Neuroscience Scholar Awards	https://www.nationalmssociety.org/For-Professionals/Researchers/Society-Funding/Training-Grants-and-Fellowships/Harry-Weaver-Neuroscience-Scholar-Awards	5p.m. Eastern Full application deadline: August 18, 2021, 5p.m. Eastern	As part of its overarching goals of stopping MS progression, restoring function, and ending MS forever, the National MS Society offers a limited number of Harry Weaver awards to highly qualified candidates who have concluded their research training and begun academic careers as independent investigators in an area related to multiple sclerosis.
National Science Foundation (NSF) CAREER Award**	https://www.nsf.gov/funding/pgm_summ.jsp?piid=503214	Deadline: July 26, 2021	The Faculty Early Career Development (CAREER) Program is a Foundation-wide activity that offers the National Science Foundation's most prestigious awards in support of early-career faculty who have the potential to serve as academic role models in research and education and to lead advances in the mission of their department or organization. Activities pursued by early-career faculty should build a firm foundation for a lifetime of leadership in integrating education and research. NSF encourages submission of CAREER proposals from early-career faculty at all CAREER-eligible organizations and especially encourages women, members of underrepresented minority groups, and persons with disabilities to apply.

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Office of Naval Research (ONR), Young Investigator Award	https://www.onr.navy.mil/en/Education-Outreach/Sponsored-Research/YIP	Deadline: March 26, 2021 11:59 PM EST	The Office of Naval Research (ONR) Young Investigator Program seeks to identify and support academic scientists and engineers who are in their first or second full-time tenure-track or tenure-track-equivalent academic appointment, who have received their doctorate or equivalent degree on or after 01 January 2012, and who show exceptional promise for doing creative research. The objectives of this program are to attract outstanding faculty members of Institutions of Higher Education to the Department of the Navy's Science and Technology (S&T) research program, to support their research, and to encourage their teaching and research careers. Individuals who are holding non-profit equivalent positions are encouraged to apply.
Pew Biomedical Scholars**	http://www.pewtrusts.org/en/projects/pew-biomedical-scholars/program-details	Nomination Deadline: May 17, 2021 / Full Proposal Deadline: Sept. 1, 2021	The Pew Scholars Program in the Biomedical Sciences provides funding to young investigators of outstanding promise in science relevant to the advancement of human health. The program makes grants to selected academic institutions to support the independent research of outstanding individuals who are in their first few years of their appointment at the assistant professor level.
Pharmaceutical Research and Manufacturers of America Foundation, Research Starter Grants	http://www.phrmafoundation.org/2018-awards/research-starter-grants/	Deadlines for topic areas as follows: Pharmaceutics: September 1, 2019 / Health Outcomes: February 1, 2020 / Informatics: September 1, 2019 / Pharmacology/Toxicology: September 1, 2019 / Translational Medicine and Therapeutics: February 1, 2020	Research Starter Grants offer financial support to individuals beginning independent research careers at the faculty level. The "starter" aspect of the program strives to assist individuals who are establishing careers as independent investigators. The program is not offered as a means to augment an ongoing research effort. Funds must be used to conduct the proposed research.
Prostate Cancer Foundation, Human Capital Initiative - Young Investigator Awards	https://www.pcf.org/science-impact/for-researchers/open-rfas/	Letter of Intent (LOI) due date: April 9, 2021 / Full Proposal Deadline: August 16, 2021	PCF created the Young Investigator Awards program with one goal: to identify a cohort of future research leaders who will keep the field of prostate cancer research vibrant with new ideas. The Young Investigator Awards offer career and project support for young (generally 35 and younger) proven investigators in postdoctoral fellowships or who have recently achieved junior faculty positions and are committing their lives to the field of prostate cancer.
Research Corporation for Science Advancement, Cottrell Scholar Awards**	http://rescorp.org/cottrell-scholars/cottrell-scholar-award/guidelines	Full Proposal Deadline: July 1, 2021	The Cottrell Scholar Award (CSA) is available to early career faculty at US research universities and primarily undergraduate institutions. Eligible applicants are tenure-track faculty members who hold an appointment in a chemistry, physics or astronomy department that offers bachelor's and/or graduate degrees in the applicant's discipline.
Rita Allen Foundation, Scholar Program*	http://ritaallen.org/apply/	LOI March 6, 2020	The Rita Allen Foundation currently makes grants for charitable purposes in two primary domains: Investing in young leaders in science and social innovation; Promoting civic literacy and engagement. Within these domains, the Foundation identifies organizations for funding based on its goals and strategies. While the vast majority of our grant making is conducted through the Rita Allen Foundation Scholars program and through the Foundation's research and consultation with sector experts, we also provide an opportunity for nonprofit organizations to submit unsolicited Letters of Inquiry if they believe they are an excellent fit for our portfolio. This process allows us to open lines of communication with a diverse pool of organizations.
Scleroderma Foundation, New Investigator Grant	http://www.scleroderma.org/site/PageServer?pagename=pr_of_research_types#W2N3m9IKiM8	Deadline: September 15 annually	The Scleroderma Foundation seeks applications from promising new investigators who hold faculty or equivalent positions and who wish to pursue a career in research related to scleroderma. This grant supports promising research that is likely to lead to individual research project grants.
Scioosis Research Society, New Investigator Grant	https://www.srs.org/professionals/research-and-journal/research-grants	Full Proposal Applications Open: May 15	Provides funding for spinal pathology research.
Simons Foundation Autism Research Initiative (SFARI), Bridge to Independence Award	https://www.sfari.org/grant/bridge-to-independence-award-request-for-applications/	Letters of recommendation and LOIs due: April 12, 2021	SFARI is invested in supporting the next generation of top autism researchers. The Bridge to Independence Award program promotes talented early-career scientists by facilitating their transition to research independence and providing grant funding at the start of their professorships at a U.S. or Canadian research institution.
Society for Conservation Biology, David H. Smith Conservation Research Fellowship Program	https://conbio.org/mini-sites/smith-fellows/apply/proposal-guidelines	Deadline: September 24, 2021	The purpose of the David H. Smith Conservation Research Fellowship is: To create opportunities for leading conservation scientists to strengthen their skills through two years of applied post-doctoral research, supplemented by training programs, peer networking, and field learning experiences; so that they may: 1. Build productive partnerships with conservation practitioners; and 2. Contribute and communicate scientific knowledge to problems of critical importance in conservation.
Society for Neuroscience, Young Investigator Award	https://www.sfn.org/careers/awards/early-career/young-investigator-award	Deadline: May 21, 2021	The Young Investigator Award, supported by Sunovion, recognizes the outstanding achievements and contributions by a young neuroscientist who has demonstrated scholarly independence.
Society of Nuclear Medicine, Mitzi & William Bland, MD, Pilot Research Grant	http://www.snmni.org/AboutSNMNI/Content.aspx?itemNumber=24692	The application period is currently closed. Please check back in October 2021	The pilot research grant is designed to help a basic or clinical scientist in the early stages of their career conduct research that may lead to further funding. This grant may be used for salary support of the principal investigator, as well as direct costs of supplies and equipment. Support is not provided for salaries of other research personnel, or for indirect costs.
Sontag Foundation, Distinguished Scientist Award	http://www.sontagfoundation.org/all-grants/brain-cancer/dsa-application-info-requirements/	Deadline: March 17, 2021 11:59pm EDT	The Distinguished Scientist Award (DSA) seeks to provide career and research support to early career scientists who demonstrate outstanding promise for making scientific and medical breakthroughs in the field of brain cancer research.
Susan G. Komen, Career Catalyst Research Grants (CCR)	https://ww5.komen.org/ResearchGrants/FundingOpportunities.html	Letter of Intent Deadline: July 2022 (anticipated) The Foundation is no longer accepting nominations for the 2021 Lasker Awards. Winners of the 2021 Awards will be announced in September.	The Research Program is an essential driving force for achieving the mission of ending breast cancer forever. As the global leader in the fight against breast cancer, we strive to identify and support the best science around the world. However, the scientific focus areas of our grant mechanisms can vary from year to year and are determined in part through discussion with our Scientific Advisory Board.
The Albert and Mary Lasker Foundation, Clinical Research Scholars Program	http://www.laskerfoundation.org/about/award-nominations-1/	The Foundation will begin accepting nominations for the 2020 Lasker Awards on November 1, 2019. The deadline for submitting nomination material will be February 3, 2020. Lasker Awards will be offered in three categories in 2020: Basic Research, Clinical Research, and Special Achievement.	The Foundation will begin accepting nominations for the 2020 Lasker Awards on November 1, 2019. The deadline for submitting nomination material will be February 3, 2020. Lasker Awards will be offered in three categories in 2020: Basic Research, Clinical Research, and Special Achievement.
The International Society for Research in Human Milk and Lactation (ISRHML) – The Ehrlich-Koldovsky Early Career Award for Research in Human Milk and Lactation	https://www.isrhml.com/4a/pages/index.cfm?pageid=3322	Deadline: April 15, 2020	The purpose of this biennial lifetime achievement award is to honor individuals who have made outstanding, original scientific contributions to the study of human milk and lactation.
The Kinship Foundation, Searle Scholars**	http://www.searlescholars.net/	Deadline: September 30, 2021	The Searle Scholars Program makes grants to selected universities and research centers to support the independent research of exceptional young faculty in the biomedical sciences and chemistry.
The Lymphoma Research Foundation, Clinical Investigator Career Development Award	https://lymphoma.org/researchers/rfp/	Deadline: September 8, 2021, 5:00pm EDT	The Lymphoma Research Foundation (LRF) remains dedicated to finding a cure for lymphoma through an aggressively-funded program for researchers. Through its evidence-based research program, LRF aims to: Advance our understanding of lymphoma, laying the foundation for improved patient care; attract and train new investigators and clinicians in lymphoma, ensuring that the best and brightest scientific minds are able to continue their commitment to blood cancer research; bring innovative ideas, energy and collaboration to the nuanced field of lymphoma research.
Thrasher Research Fund, Early Career Awards	https://www.thrasherresearch.org/SitePages/early-career-award.aspx	CONCEPT SUBMISSION DEADLINE: March 16, 2021 Applicant Submission of Full Proposal: May 7,	The purpose of the Fund is to provide grants for clinical, hypothesis-driven research that offers substantial promise for meaningful advances in the prevention, diagnosis and treatment of children's diseases, particularly research that offers broad-based applications.
Vilcek Foundation, Vilcek Prizes for Creative Promise in Biomedical Science	https://vilcek.org/prizes/vilcek-prizes-for-creative-promise/	Deadline: June 11, 2021, 5pm ET	The Vilcek Foundation will award three prizes of \$50,000 each to young foreign-born biomedical scientists who demonstrate outstanding early achievement. Eligible work may be in basic, applied, and/or translational biomedical science.

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Whitehall Foundation, Grants-in-Aid	http://www.whitehall.org/grants/	Letter of Intent deadline: January 15, April 15, October 1 Application deadline: June 1, September 1, February 15	The Whitehall Foundation, through its program of grants and grants-in-aid, assists scholarly research in the life sciences. It is the Foundation's policy to assist those dynamic areas of basic biological research that are not heavily supported by Federal Agencies or other foundations with specialized missions. In order to respond to the changing environment, the Whitehall Foundation periodically reassesses the need for financial support by the various fields of biological research.
William T. Grant Scholars Program, William T. Grant Foundation	http://wtgrantfoundation.org/grants#apply-wtgrant-scholars	Deadline: August 4, 2021, 3:00pm EST.	The research grants programs support high-quality field-initiated studies that are relevant to policies and practices that affect the lives of young people ages 5 to 25 in the United States. Research proposals are evaluated on the basis of their fit with a given focus area; the strength and feasibility of their designs, methods, and analyses; their potential to inform change; and their contribution to theory and empirical evidence.

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