



LIMITED SUBMISSION

Shared Instrumentation for Animal Research (SIFAR) Grant Program

Deadlines

Internal deadline: March 16

Agency deadline: May 31

Limit: 1

This program encourages applications from groups of NIH-funded investigators to purchase or upgrade scientific instruments necessary to carry out animal experiments in all areas of biomedical research supported by the NIH. Applicants may request clusters of commercially available instruments configured as specialized integrated systems or as series of instruments to support a thematic well-defined area of research using animals or related materials. Priority will be given to uniquely configured systems to support innovative and potentially transformative investigations.

Three Major Users who have substantial need for the entire instrumentation request must be identified for this grant. **Each Major User must be a PD/PI on a distinct active NIH research award in an area of biomedical research using animals or animal tissue.**

Applications will be accepted for commercially available instruments only. At least one item of the requested instrumentation must cost at least \$50,000, after all applicable discounts. No instrument in a cluster can cost less than \$20,000, after all applicable discounts. There is no upper limit on the cost of each instrument, but the maximum award is \$750,000. Since the cost of the various instruments will vary, it is anticipated that the amount of the award will also vary.

The PD/PI chosen for this application should have documented (in the biographical sketch) technical expertise directly related to the requested instrumentation or scientific expertise in biomedical research using animals, must be affiliated with the applicant organization, and must be registered on eRA Commons. **The PD/PI does not need to have an NIH research grant or any other research support, and may be a Core director, tenured or non-tenured faculty member of the applicant organization.**

If interested, submit a pre-proposal to the Office of Research Development [here](#) no later than **March 16**. The template can be found [here](#). If the Division receives more internal applications than the allowed limits, an ad hoc review and selection process will be held. If an ad hoc review process is not warranted, those researchers that demonstrated interest will be allowed to move forward with submitting a full proposal to the funding agency.

For more information on this opportunity, click [here](#).