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**FAU's Jupiter Life Science Initiative** and the **Institute for Human Health & Disease Intervention (I-HEALTH)** are pleased to announce the inaugural call for **collaborative research grant** proposals. The funding is designed to support initiating collaborations between *Jupiter-based faculty* and our partner institutes (MPFI and UF-Scripps) which will result in original and innovative research in the field of life science. We are particularly looking for applications that fit the following categories, a) new research collaborations with Max Planck Florida Institute (MPFI), and/or UF-Scripps; b) bridge funding to support the collection of critical data needed to improve competitiveness of prior grant applications to federal agencies; or c) novel research projects by junior faculty. Of note, proposals must be submitted by an FAU principal investigator or faculty member. Postdoctoral fellows are ineligible for this funding opportunity.

The long-term goal of these pilot awards is to provide the initial funding needed to generate critical preliminary data required for larger collaborative federal grant submissions. Basic science and translational investigation proposals are both welcome. We anticipate funding for up to 5 proposals, and we ask that budget requests be limited to \$30,000 over a one-year period. Only one application will be accepted per applicant.

**Collaborative Research Grant applications are due by 5:00 PM on Friday, November 17, 2023. Awards will be announced by December 8, 2023.** The application packet should be no more than 6 pages (11-point Arial font, single spacing, 0.5-inch margins) and must include the following sections:

- A) Project Title
- B) Grant amount requested. Include a budget and budget justification. Funding may not be allocated for salary support. In addition, funds may not be used to support costs associated with travel. Note that pilot award funding carries no indirect costs.
- C) If the application is collaborative in nature, please list all participating research team members with organization/department affiliations. Include an abbreviated CV for each PI (2 pages maximum).
- D) Brief facilities document identifying where the work will be conducted and identifying all essential resources required to complete the project.
- E) Specific Aims
- F) Background and Significance
- G) Research Approach and Experimental Design (references are excluded from page count)
- H) Future Directions

Proposals will be reviewed by research faculty at FAU, MPFI and UF-Scripps, all of whom have not submitted applications themselves. The applications will be reviewed with the following considerations:

- 1) Feasibility
- 2) Innovation
- 3) Likelihood of facilitating future funding/future collaboration
- 4) Scientific Merit

Proposals that involve the use of vertebrate animals or human subjects will require evidence of an approved IACUC or IRB Protocol, respectively, prior to transfer of funds. Brief progress reports will be requested at 6 months and 12 months post-funding.

For all questions and to ensure there are no unnecessary delays in the proposal review process, please submit application packets to [JupiterSEED2023@fau.edu](mailto:JupiterSEED2023@fau.edu) by 5:00 PM on Friday, November 17, 2023.

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