

Subject: OSP Funding Opportunity: NIH Recovery Act Limited Competition: Research and Research Infrastructure Grand Opportunities (RC2) RFA-OD-09-004

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PROGRAM: Recovery Act Limited Competition: Research and Research Infrastructure "Grand Opportunities" (RC2) RFA-OD-09-004

PURPOSE:

Under the Recovery Act, NIH has established this new program, hereafter called the "GO" grants program, to support projects that address large, specific biomedical and biobehavioral research endeavors that will benefit from significant 2-year funds without the expectation of continued NIH funding beyond two years. "GO" grants will support large-scale research that accelerates critical breakthroughs, early and applied research on cutting-edge technologies, and new approaches to improve the synergy and interactions among multi and interdisciplinary research teams. Applicants may propose to address either a specific research question or propose the creation of a unique infrastructure/resource designed to accelerate scientific progress in the future.

*** NOTE: ***

Not all NIH Institutes will participate in this initiative.

FUNDING:

Contingent upon the submission of a sufficient number of meritorious applications, approximately \$200 million will be obligated by September 20, 2010 to support requests submitted in response to this solicitation. Only applications with budgets greater than \$500,000 total costs per year for a project period of two years are expected to be considered.

** DEADLINES: **

Letter of Intent (not mandatory): April 27, 2009

Application: May 27, 2009

WEBSITE:

<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-OD-09-004.html>

*** Scope and Specific Requirements: ***

A detailed statement addressing the following bullets should be included as part of the application Research Plan (and in summary form in the Letter of Intent):

Scope. The scope of the "GO" grants program includes, but is not limited to, the following:

- Groundbreaking, innovative, high impact and cross-cutting research projects that can be readily deployed and that will improve and accelerate biomedical research.
- Basic, clinical and translational projects that could fundamentally enhance the research enterprise and that require the participation, interaction, coordination and integration of activities carried out in multiple research laboratories.
- Creation of large scale unique resources, accelerated application of high throughput, and other novel technologies.
- Deployment of critical infrastructure, resources, tools, and methodologies that substantially accelerate collaborative, multi and interdisciplinary basic,

translational, and/or clinical research.

- Implementation of large scale research projects that are carried out using new and creative collaborative agreements and partnerships with industry and small businesses to accelerate the pre-clinical and clinical testing of new therapeutics.
- Creative approaches to overcome barriers to basic, translational, or clinical research using novel tools, technologies, and services.

*** Requirements: ***

- "GO" projects are expected to demonstrate the following:
 - The work cannot be reasonably expected to be carried out successfully without support provided by "GO" grants.
 - Specific outcomes of the proposed project promote and advance the mission of the NIH to improve health.
 - The project is ready to be deployed immediately upon funding.
 - A rapid infusion of significant funding will accelerate current and future research in the area of study and there are appropriate measurable outcomes to evaluate the short and long-term effects of the project.
 - The proposed project is something that no other entity is likely or able to do, and is there a public health benefit to having the results of the research in the public domain.
 - The project or generated results and resources can be expected to become integrated with other NIH and privately funded research within a reasonable timeframe.
 - Projects that would require funding beyond this timeframe should provide a detailed plan for maintaining the research efforts without any expectation of further financial assistance from the sponsoring IC or other NIH components. Applicants are expected to provide a list of outcomes and include plans to obtain long-term support for research endeavors carried out with "GO" grant funding.

For more detailed instructions for preparing the Research Plan, see the URL above.

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