



Center for  
Skeletal Research

## CENTER FOR SKELETAL RESEARCH REQUESTS PROPOSALS FOR PILOT AND FEASIBILITY STUDIES

**LETTER OF INTENT DUE MONDAY MARCH 19, 2018 5PM EST**

Letter of intent should include

- a 250 word abstract
- a 150 word statement of eligibility
- an NIH style biosketch including all other support.

Please submit in a single PDF file to Latanya Turner : [csrmail@partners.org](mailto:csrmail@partners.org)

In the subject line include your last name and "P30P+F LOI" eg: SmithP30P+F LOI

**THOSE INVITED TO APPLY FOR FUNDING WILL BE INFORMED BY THURSDAY MARCH 22, 2018**

**THREE PAGE SCIENTIFIC PROPOSAL WILL BE REQUIRED**

**BY Monday APRIL 16, 2018**

**Program announcement at: <http://www.csr-mgh.org/funding/pilot-feasibility-award/>**

The NIAMS-funded [Center for Skeletal Research \(CSR\)](#), based in the Endocrine Unit at MGH, is announcing a request for Pilot and Feasibility Research proposals. . The CSR's goal is to enrich the research experience of skeletal biology researchers in New England. **TWO grant (\$30,000/year)** will be awarded this year., **NO RENEWALS ARE ALLOWED**. Awardees will be expected to present progress to CSR members biannually and provide a written annual report.

**ELIGIBILITY:** Eligibility is based on the criteria listed below:

1. Junior faculty proposing highly focused Skeletal Biology research projects with the goal of generating preliminary data sufficient to support an application for independent NIH research support. Applicants in this group must meet the **NIH Early Investigator Criteria** (New Investigators who have had less than 10 years of research or research training experience after the completion of their terminal research degree or medical residency, see [http://grants.nih.gov/grants/new\\_investigators/index.htm](http://grants.nih.gov/grants/new_investigators/index.htm)). Awardees of K grants in their last 2 years of K funding may apply with committed effort but cannot receive salary from the P&F.
2. Established researchers from outside the bone field proposing innovative studies relevant to Skeletal Biology.
3. Established Skeletal Biology investigators proposing studies relevant to Skeletal Biology that represents a clear departure from their established line of investigation.

Investigators must invest at least 1 calendar month of effort. If salary requests do not reflect this effort, cost-sharing plans must be indicated. Applicants who are not U.S. citizens or permanent U.S. residents must have active visas permitting them to remain in the U.S. for the full period of the proposed research.

#### **FUNDING:**

- Maximum of \$30,000 (direct costs)
- One year of funding

#### **APPLICATION PROCESS:**

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Submission deadline is Monday, April 16, 2018, at 5pm.

One grant will be funded up to **\$30,000** for a **one-year period**, June 1, 2018 - May 31, 2019.

For more information, go to <https://csr.mgh.harvard.edu/pilot-and-feasibility-studies> or  
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*NIH 398 Documents: download*  
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- Face Page (NIH 398 Form Page 1)
- Project Summary/Performance Site (NIH 398 Form Page 2)
- Detailed Budget (NIH 398 Form Page 4)
- Entire Budget (NIH 398 Form Page 5)
- Budget Justification
- Checklist (NIH 398 Form Page)
- Biographical Sketch, including other support with dollar amounts (NIH 398 Format)
- 3 Page Research Plan, including Specific Aims (NIH 398 continuation page). Page limitations exclude references
- A personal statement describing the candidate's background and addressing eligibility criteria above (category 1, 2 or 3), current goals and how the P&F will impact these goals, not to exceed 500 words.
- IACUC/IRB approval must be received prior to funding.

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:**

- All publications that results from NIH funding must be in compliance with the NIH Public Access Policy.
- Awardees must cite the MGH/CSR grant as a funding source in any resulting publications.  
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