

Name of Grant: CHEST Foundation Research Grant in Nontuberculous Mycobacteria

Application Deadline: April 30, 2016

Amount of Grant: \$25,000 1-year grant

Background: The CHEST Foundation, the philanthropic arm of the American College of Chest Physicians (CHEST), was founded in 1996 and focuses its programs and initiatives in four key areas: clinical research grants, tobacco education and cessation, patient-focused public education, and community service grants. This is the first time a research grant has been offered to support nontuberculous mycobacteria (NTM).

This grant is supported by Insmmed.

Research Proposal Focus

Projects that could be funded under the grant include those that would advance research in NTM.

Funding Guidelines

- \$25,000 for 1 year: July 1, 2016, through June 30, 2017.
- Higher level translational research project preferred (T1-T5; for definitions, please see: <https://ctsi.mcw.edu/images/CTSI-Translational-Continuum.pdf>); basic (cellular or animal) research projects will not be considered.
- Only direct costs will be allowed. Indirect costs are not allowed.
 - PI salaries will not be supported. For a complete list of budget allowances, please see the Grant Resources & FAQ page on the foundation's website.
- It is viewed favorably for the application to indicate institutional commitment to the project and to include fiscal support in addition to the grant funds being sought.

Applicant Qualifications

- CHEST membership at time of application.
- Although applicants may be at later career stages, special consideration will be given to those within 5 years of completing an advanced training program.
 - Or equivalent experience.
- The performance site must have a federal-wide assurance with the NIH for the protection of human subjects; not-for-profit organizations and institutions are eligible to apply.

Requirements Once Funded

- Provide interim progress report as requested.
- Final written report on the project addressing research and results.
- Final budget reconciliation of project funds.
- Submit for presentation the results from your project to the annual CHEST meeting within a year following grant completion.
- CHEST membership for the duration of the grant project, including No Cost Extension requests.

Expectations Once Funded

- Be active in CHEST Foundation activities.
- Join and participate in a CHEST NetWork closely related to grant project focus.

Required Narratives and Attachments

Applications must be submitted in English.

Applications must be submitted prior to the deadline via the grant portal for consideration.

No e-mailed or mailed proposals will be accepted.

Application components to be addressed within the grant portal:

1. Research Plan
 - a. Background/importance (≤ 500 words).
 - b. Hypothesis/aims (≤ 500 words).
 - c. Research approach – include methods, protocols, expected outcomes, statistical analysis (≤ 500 words).
 - d. Investigative team and research environment (≤ 500 words).
2. Lay Abstract (≤ 300 words)

Additional components that allow document uploads:

3. Bibliography
4. Budget – See CHEST Foundation Grant Resources Page for Budget Template
5. Current Curriculum Vitae – NIH Format
6. Two Support Letters
 - o One from your institution.
 - o One from your mentor (if you are an early stage investigator – assistant professor or more junior).
7. Human Subjects Involvement
 - a. IRB status – IRB approval must be acquired no later than 3 months after receiving grant award.
 - i. The CHEST Foundation may rescind award if grantee does not receive IRB approval within 3 months of award.
8. Current W9 for Your Institution or Equivalent W8

Grantees can have no more than one active grant from the CHEST Foundation per year.