AMYOTROPHIC LATERAL SCLEROSIS RESEARCH PROGRAM

IMPROVE TREATMENTS AND FIND CURES FOR PEOPLE WITH ALS

MISSION: Fund impactful research to develop ALS treatments

Program Priorities



Preclinical Treatment Discovery



Preclinical Treatment Validation



Clinical Outcomes and Biomarkers



Early Phase Clinical Trials

Scope of the Problem



Average life expectancy is **two to five years** from diagnosis¹



No known therapies to effectively stop or slow progression



ALS is always fatal

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FY24 Appropriation

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The overall objective of the ALSRP is to expedite the pathway from bench science to clinical trials for new therapeutic approaches aimed at controlling or curing ALS.



The ALSRP invests congressional appropriations in distinct stages along the therapeutic development pipeline through stepwise translational award mechanisms.



Like all programs within the CDMRP, the ALSRP funds eligible institutions across the globe. There is no requirement for U.S. citizenship to serve as a principal investigator.



The ALSRP funds industry partners and non-profit organizations, as well as more traditional academic research institutions.



For more information, visit: cdmrp.health.mil/alsrp



ALSRP Award Mechanisms Build A Therapeutic Pipeline

Therapeutic Idea Award \$600,000 /3 years

- Supports highly innovative, hypothesisdriven preclinical therapeutic development in ALS.
- Proof-of-concept drug discovery.
- Preliminary data are not required.



Therapeutic Development Award

\$1,500,000 / 3 years

- Investigational New Drug (IND)-enabling.
- Preliminary data are required, including therapeutic efficacy in at least one ALS-relevant model system

Pilot Clinical Trial Award \$2,000,000/4 years

- Early phase intervention trials, must include biomarker data.
- Preliminary data are required.
- Inform and de-risk more advanced future trials for the treatment or management of ALS.

New for FY24! Applications must address one focus area:

- Biomarker-Driven Interventions: Diseasemodifying interventions, with mechanismspecific predictive, efficacy, and/or pharmacodynamic biomarkers.
- Clinical Care: Improving aspects of clinical care and symptom management for Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis.



Clinical Outcomes and Biomarker Award \$750,000 /3 years

- Development and improvement of clinical biomarkers to enrich clinical trials.
- Biomarker analysis can be therapeuticor ALS subtypespecific, does not have to broadly apply to all patients.



Deadlines

18 June 2024 Letters of Intent due 5:00pm EDT* **10 July 2024** Full applications due 11:59PM EDT



September 2024 Peer Review

November 2024 Programmatic Review

December 2024 Anticipated Notification

*No invitation will be issued following LOIs. Any applicant who submits an LOI is eligible to submit a full application.

Supporting Community Engagement

Inclusion of community collaboration is a required element for ALSRP-funded clinical research studies that are prospectively enrolling participants. Community collaboration is characterized by equitable partnership between the researcher and community members and representatives. This can be accomplished by a variety of different ways, and the ALSRP encourages all investigators to consider collaboration with the communities they serve.

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