

## Fiscal Year 2004 Neurofibromatosis Research Program

**Reference Table of Award Mechanisms and Submission Requirements**

Award Mechanism	Experience of Principal Investigator	Key Mechanism Elements	Dollars Available	Submission Deadline
New Investigator Awards	Independent investigators below the level of Associate Professor with access to appropriate research facilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fund investigators in the early stages of their careers</li> <li>• Preliminary data not required</li> </ul>	An average of \$150,000 per year in direct costs for a maximum of \$450,000 for up to 3 years, plus indirect costs as appropriate	May 4, 2004  5:00 p.m. (Eastern time)
Investigator-Initiated Research Awards (with optional Nested Postdoctoral Traineeship[s])	<p>Independent investigators at a level equivalent to or above that of Assistant Professor</p> <p>Nested Postdoctoral Trainee: Recent doctoral graduates with 3 years or less of postdoctoral experience</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To sponsor basic and clinically oriented research relevant to NF and Schwannomatosis</li> <li>• Preliminary data required</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No total dollar amount restrictions</li> <li>• Funding can be requested for up to 4 years</li> <li>• With Nested Postdoctoral Traineeship: a maximum of \$60,000 per year inclusive of direct and indirect costs for a maximum of \$240,000 per trainee up to 4 years</li> <li>• No limit to the number of postdoctoral trainees nested under a given proposal</li> </ul>	May 4, 2004  5:00 p.m. (Eastern time)
Therapeutic Development Awards	All levels of experience	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To fund the development of therapeutics and tools for their evaluation in preclinical model systems of NF and Schwannomatosis</li> <li>• Research should be product-driven but may have a hypothesis-driven approach provided the focus is on therapeutics</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No total dollar amount restrictions</li> <li>• Funding can be requested for up to 3 years</li> </ul>	May 4, 2004  5:00 p.m. (Eastern time)

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Concept Awards	All levels of experience	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fund exploration of untested, high-risk questions relevant to NF and Schwannomatosis</li> <li>• Preliminary data not required</li> </ul>	A maximum of \$100,000, inclusive of direct and indirect costs, over a 1-year performance period	May 4, 2004  5:00 p.m. (Eastern time)
Clinical Trial Development Awards	All levels of experience	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To fund the development of a multi-institutional NF-related clinical trial, including the establishment of the research team, the development of tools for data management and trial/research administration, the definition of recruitment strategies, and the development of the clinical protocol</li> <li>• Requires the submission of a Clinical Trial Award application at the end of the award</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Up to \$150,000 including both direct and indirect costs for up to 18 months</li> </ul>	May 4, 2004  5:00 p.m. (Eastern time)
Clinical Trial Awards	All levels of experience	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To fund Phase I or II clinical trials</li> <li>• Preclinical data required for all clinical trial proposals</li> <li>• Phase I or pilot clinical trial data required for Phase II clinical trial proposals</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No total dollar amount restrictions</li> <li>• Funding can be requested for up to 3 years for Phase I clinical trials and for up to 4 years for Phase II clinical trials</li> </ul>	June 29, 2004  5:00 p.m. (Eastern time)