

# **RC2 Research and Research Infrastructure Grand Opportunities (GO)**

**RFA Number: RFA-0D-09-004 - CFDA Number: 93.701**

**Application Due Date: May 27, 2009**

The purpose of the "GO" grants program is to support high impact ideas that lend themselves to short-term funding, and may lay the foundation for new fields of investigation. 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. This Funding opportunity is designed to provide investigators and institutions with the opportunity to address these unique challenges by engaging in new avenues of research where progress would produce a significant impact on growth and investment on biomedical or behavioral science and/or health research.

**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.

A detailed statement addressing the bullets above should be included as part of the application Research Plan.

- Awards will be made for 2 years
- Renewal and Resubmission applications are not allowed
- Budget requests cannot exceed \$500K total costs per year (including indirect costs, contractual/consortium agreements)
- Cost-sharing is not required
- Requires Grants.gov electronic submission (must be registered in NIH eRA Commons)
- Multiple PIs/PDs allowed (but must include a Leadership Plan) see following example

**Examples of Project Leadership Plans for Multiple PI Grant Applications**

Leadership Plans should address the following administrative processes and PI responsibilities:

- Roles/areas of responsibility of the PIs
- Fiscal and management coordination
- Process for making decisions on scientific direction and allocation of resources
- Data sharing and communication among investigators
- Publication and intellectual property (if needed) policies
- Procedures for resolving conflicts

- Multiple Institutions allowed but one institution must serve as the Prime.

**Research Plan:** The Research Plan is limited to a total of 12 pages, including tables, graphs, figures, diagrams, and charts. The Research Plan should be self-contained and uploaded as a single attachment in the Research Design and Methods item.

**PHS398 Research Plan Component Sections**

Item Number and Title	Instructions
1. Introduction to Application	Omit (N/A: Resubmissions and Revisions not allowable)
2. Specific Aims	One page maximum. Separate PDF attachment
3. Background and Significance	OMIT
4. Preliminary Studies/Progress Report	OMIT
5. Research Design and Methods	Item 5 is limited to 12 pages. Attach the 12- page Research Plan encompassing all of these elements as a single PDF document. Figures and illustrations may be included but must fit within the 12-page limit. Do not include links to Web sites for further information. Do not include animations.

Excluded from the 12-page Research Plan limit are the following items:

Note: the 12-page limit excludes the Project Summary/Abstract; Specific Aims; Bibliography and Literature Cited; <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-OD-09-004.html> and Biographical Sketches (upload as separate PDFs).

Organize the Research Plan in the specified order using the instructions provided below. Start each section with the appropriate section heading (i.e. Research Area, The Challenge and Potential Impact, The Approach, Timeline, Milestones and Expected Measurable Outcomes and Deliverables.)

Preliminary data are not required but may be included, if necessary to demonstrate the feasibility of the proposed studies. The presentation must be clear and particularly compelling. No detailed scientific plan should be provided, but timelines must be presented.

*Data Sharing Plan:* Regardless of the amount requested, investigators are expected to include a brief 1-paragraph description of how final research data will be shared, or explain why data-sharing is not possible. Applicants are encouraged to discuss data-sharing plans with their NIH program contact (see [Data-Sharing Policy](#) or <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-OD-03-032.html>.)

Because all Institutes and Centers are not participating, please refer to the [specific IC](#) site for the appropriate person to contact.

For more detailed information and the guidelines for this competition please refer to <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-OD-09-004.html>.

If you have any questions or need to get registered in eRA Commons, please contact Jackie White at [whitej@sfsu.edu](mailto:whitej@sfsu.edu) or call 8-3578.