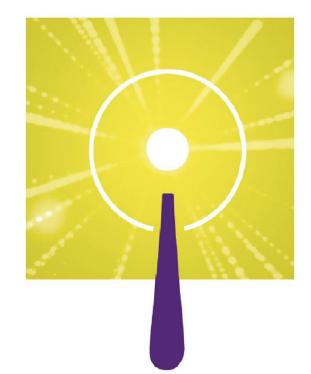
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June 25, 2024 @ 2:00 PM EDT

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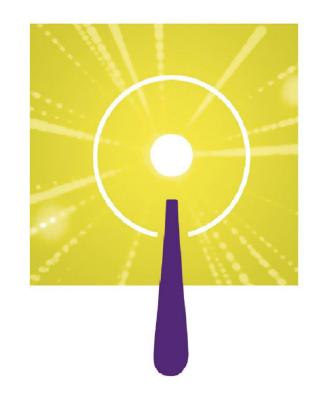


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- Scientific or situationally specific questions will not be discussed (email us)
- For additional questions, contact us at <u>NewInnovatorAwards@mail.nih.gov</u>
- Webinar recording & slides will be posted on website at <u>commonfund.nih.gov/newinnovator</u>
- For more application guidance, see our <u>Application</u> <u>& Award Guide</u> on website (includes example applications)

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27 Programs in 3 Broad Categories

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- Global Health
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- SPARC
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Catalytic Data Resources

Data resources to accelerate discovery

- Bridge2AI
- CFDE
- HuBMAP

- Kids First
- Metabolomics
- SysBio

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New approaches to conducting research, translating research into interventions, and supporting a robust workforce

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- SCGE
- UDN

Research to Address Health Disparities and Advance Health Equity

Transformative

• Complement-AIRE

CF programs may be useful for your research: funding opportunities, access to high-end instruments, databases, reagents, protocols,





Supporting scientists at all career stages proposing outstanding high-risk, high-impact research





Annual funding opportunities





High-risk, high-impact ideas





No preliminary data or detailed experimental plan required





Any topic relevant to NIH mission welcome

Behavioral, social, biomedical, applied, and formal sciences, and basic, translational, or clinical research





Encourage applications from investigators with diverse backgrounds and from the full spectrum of eligible institutions



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Supports unusually creative early career investigators proposing innovative, highimpact research

- Started in 2007
- Single PI application only
- Early Stage Investigator (no substantial NIH grant and within 10 years of doctoral degree or clinical training)
- Commit 25% research effort
- Awards of \$1.5 million disbursed in two segments
- DP2 activity code



DP2 Application

Follow instructions in SF424 application guide unless specific guidance is provided in the RFA

Specific Aims Page	Do not use
Research Strategy Essay	10 pages (primary component of the application; see later slide for more information)
Biosketch	Only PI's biosketch allowed
Bibliography & References Cited	Do not use; include essential in references in Essay and within 10- page limit
Budget	Minor budget details required
Equipment	Do not use
Letters of support	Do not use
Other components/forms	Use when appropriate, such as Authentication of Key Biol./Chem. Resources; Vertebrate Animals; Human Subjects; Biohazards



Data Management & Sharing Plans

Plans should explain how scientific data generated by the research project will be managed and which scientific data and metadata will be shared

- Attach in "Other Plan(s)" section in "PHS 398 Research Plan Form"
- Recommended not to exceed two pages
- Include:
 - o Data type
 - o Related tools, software, and/or code
 - o Standards
 - o Data preservation, access, and associated timelines
 - o Access, distribution, or reuse considerations
 - o Oversight of data management and sharing
- Include costs in budget and justify in "Section L. Budget Justification" in "R&R Budget Form"
- Budget considered by reviewers & plan reviewed by NIH program staff
- Adjustments made through Just-in-Time (JIT) process
- Becomes part of Terms & Conditions of award
- Go to sharing.nih.gov for more information & examples



Research Strategy Essay

In 10 pages, use the following headings or subsections:

- **Project science areas** 1 digit code and abbreviation for primary and secondary areas
- Project Description Describe scientific importance of topic; overall approach to be taken; preliminary data not required, but accepted; state that to comply with the funding opportunity, a detailed and extensive experimental plan is not being provided; however, provide sufficient evidence that proposal has been deeply considered and will be pursued in a robust and rigorous manner
- Innovativeness Provide argument of why proposal is exceptionally innovative
- Investigator qualifications Support your claim of innovativeness in prior research
- Suitability for the New Innovator Award program Describe why proposal is "HRHR"
- Statement of research effort commitment State will commit at least 25% research effort toward project
- Bibliography/citations Include critical citations; may be in an abbreviated form as long as identifier is unique



Research Strategy Essay -Points to Consider

- Given review process used, be sure that what you write can be easily appreciated by people well
 outside the field for exceptional innovation and potential for unusually broad impact
- May be helpful to begin with a description of the landscape of the field and current state-of-theart or boundaries; provide proper context for proposal and why it is so innovative and potentially impactful
- Ease the reader into the jargon of the field
- Though no data or detailed experimental plan are required, convince the reviewer that you have thought deeply about the project – identify risky aspects, how they will be mitigated, alternate approaches
- Also, convince the reviewer that the research will be performed in a robust and rigorous manner

 validate new approaches, provide estimates of numbers of human or animal subjects (if used)
 and why, include that sex will be considered as a biological variable (if appropriate)



Check out FAQs and Examples

We have a detailed FAQ page at https://commonfund.nih.gov/newinnovator/fag

We have detailed Application and Award Guidance: https://commonfund.nih.gov/newinnovatorawards/guidance

We even have sample applications: <u>https://commonfund.nih.gov/newinnovatorawards/sample</u> (note that these budget/face page will look different – these were under the old 5 year policy)



Budget Periods

To comply with changes in HHS and NIH policy regarding multi-year funded (MYF) awards, New Innovator Award funds are no longer disbursed in the first year for the entire ~5-year project period.

Instead, awards will be made in two MYF segments: one for the first three years and the second for the final two years.

This means that no-cost extensions beyond the initial five-year project period will be allowed.



Annual budgets *are* required in the application, but to help maintain budget flexibility, only minimum information is requested.

The budgets have the following two important constraints:

- For the first segment (9/1/2025 8/31/2028), the total direct cost must not exceed \$900,000.
- For the second segment (9/1/2028 8/31/2030), the total direct cost must not exceed \$600,000.

Include F&A (indirect) costs in your budget (does not count towards \$1.5M limit)



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 - For example: First budget period would be 9/1/2025 8/31/2026

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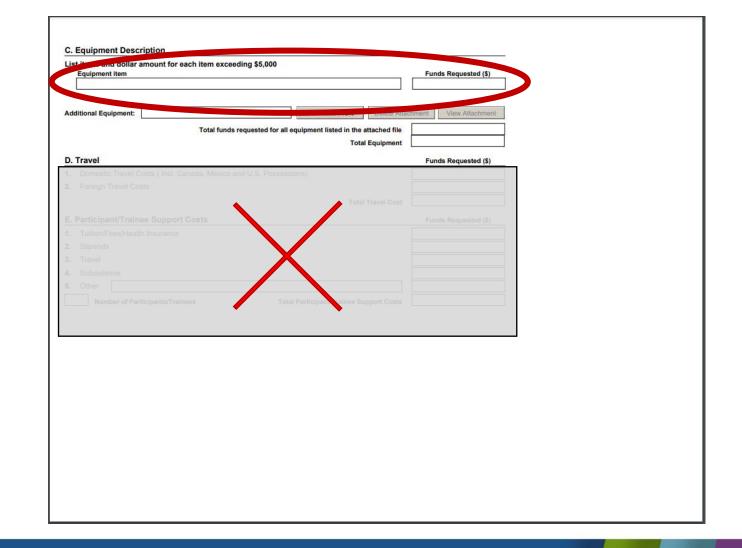


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 - Entering \$0 does not imply that the PD/PI will not receive any salary or fringe benefit support from the grant

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- 4. In Section C: Enter budget request for equipment
 - Provide justification using the Budget Justification





- 5. In Section F: Data Management & Sharing Plan costs should be included in the budget
 - Justify in Section L. Budget Justification

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NIH Director's New Innovator Award (DP2)

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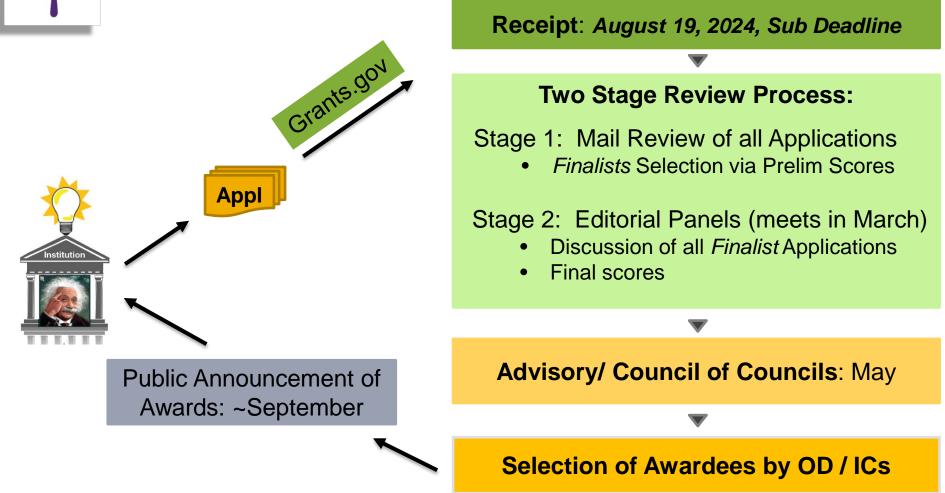
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New Innovator Award Review Process







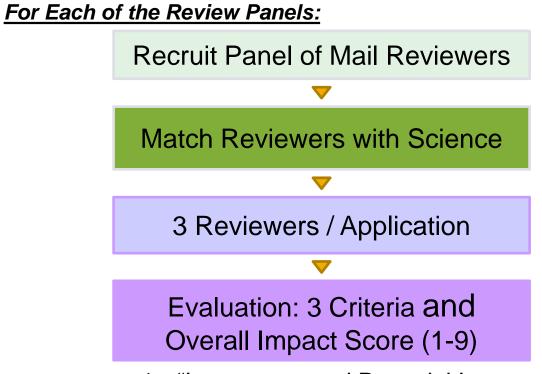
Peer-Review Process – Pre-Stage 1

- > Applications will be assigned to one of 2 equivalent panels ...
 - both panels will reside within:
 - Respiratory, Cardiac and Circulatory Sciences (RCCS) Review Branch
- Administrative Review: A check for completeness and ESI eligibility
- > Applications are grouped based on areas of science, as identified by applicant
- Potential Conflicts of Interest will be considered for each application
 - e.g., Institutional, Collaborative, etc.
- > Mail Reviewers will be recruited to cover all representative areas of science





Peer-Review Process: Stage 1 (Mail Reviews)



- 1. "Importance and Potential Impact of the Scientific Problem"
- 2. "Novelty / Innovativeness of Approach"
- 3. "Creative Potential of ESI"

Overall Impact Paragraph





Selection of *Finalist* Applications for Stage 2

✓ Selection based on Rank Score order by Mail reviewers

- Selection of topic experts within the application's Area of Science (AoS)
- Overall Impact Scores
- ✓ Unbiased selection of applications by Editorial reviewers
 - Combination of Scores and Impact statements

In total: Approx. 20% of all submitted applications will advance to Stage 2







Stage 2: Editorial Review

- "Editorial board" will consist of ~15–20 panelists
 - Senior members of the scientific community
 - Experts with broad scientific understanding
- Each finalist application is assigned to 3 Editor/Reviewers
 - Editor/Reviewers will have access to prior critiques/evaluations
 - All finalist applications will be discussed
- Scoring is focused on Impact & Innovation
- Release of Final Scores and Summary Statements (for all)
 - For Discussed applications: Summary Statements will include a Final Score along with a resume / summary of discussion
 - Non-Discussed statements: will receive 1st stage critiques





Questions about the Review process?

Contact:

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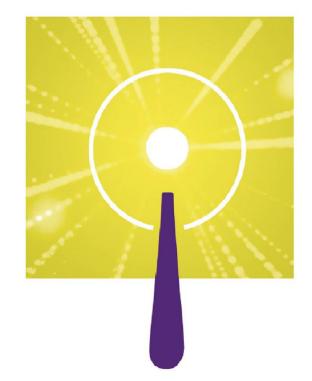


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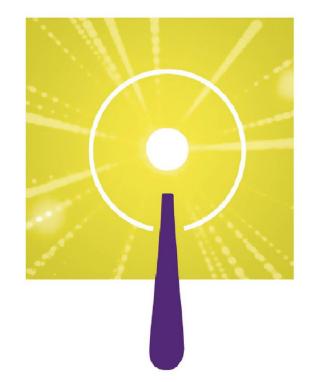
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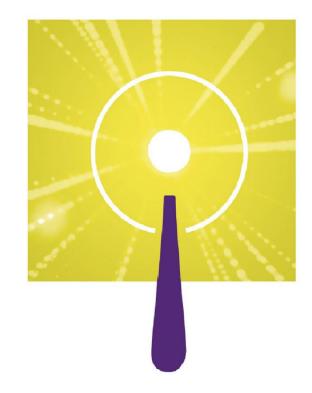
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