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# Private Foundation Grants to Support Rheumatology Research in the United States

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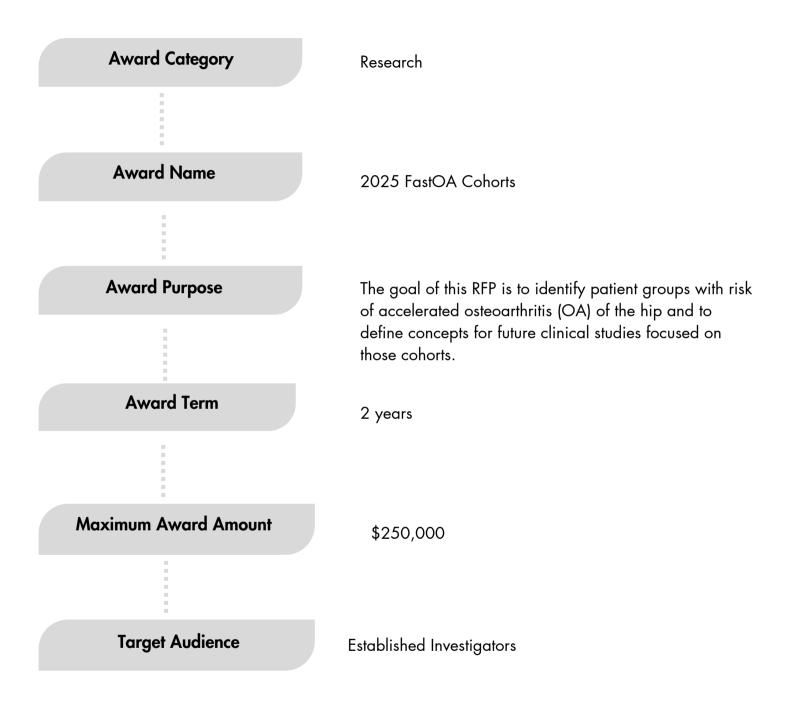
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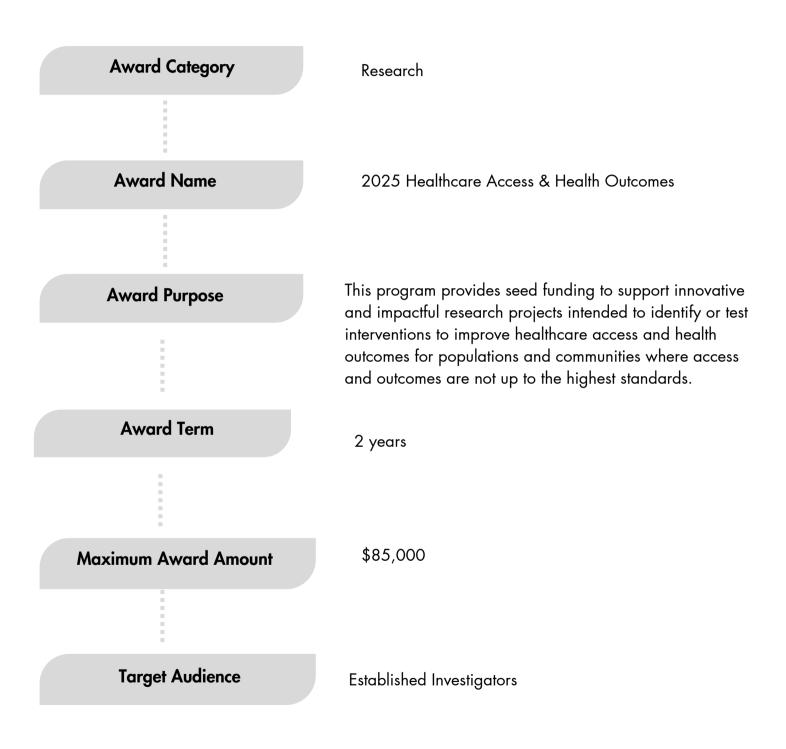
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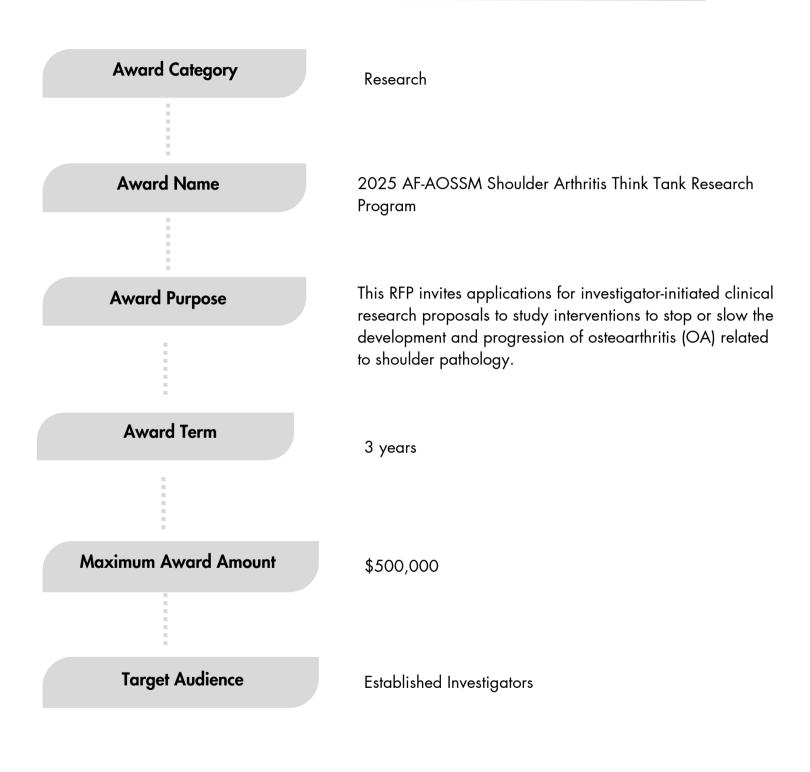
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**Award Category** Research **Award Name** 2025 Patient Reported Outcomes (PROs) **Award Purpose** The Arthritis Foundation invites hypothesis driven research proposals that seek to advance the use of existing, validated PROs in shared decision making during arthritis clinical care. **Award Term** 2 years **Maximum Award Amount** \$235,000 **Target Audience** Established Investigators More Info:

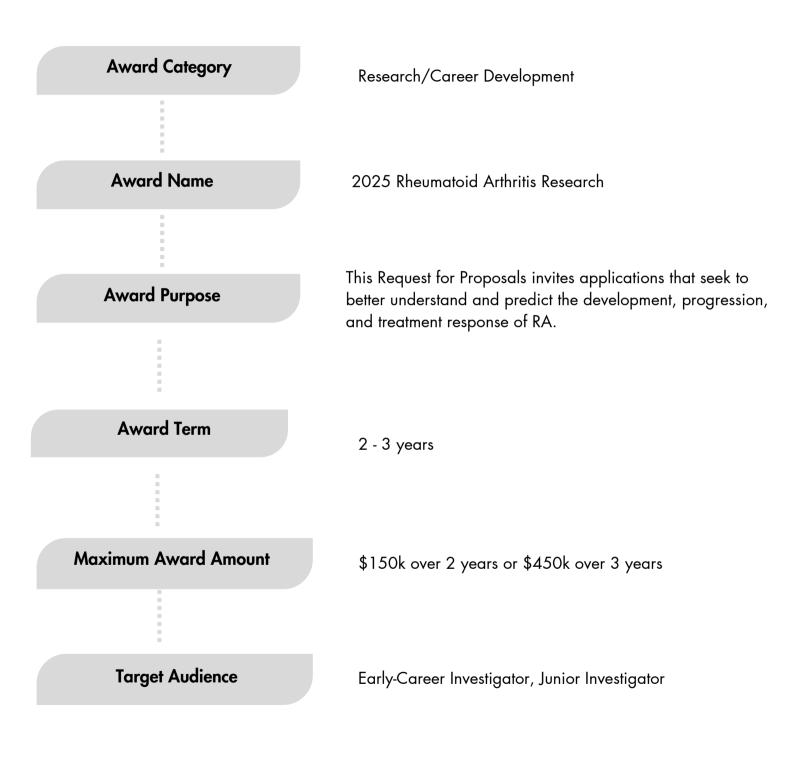




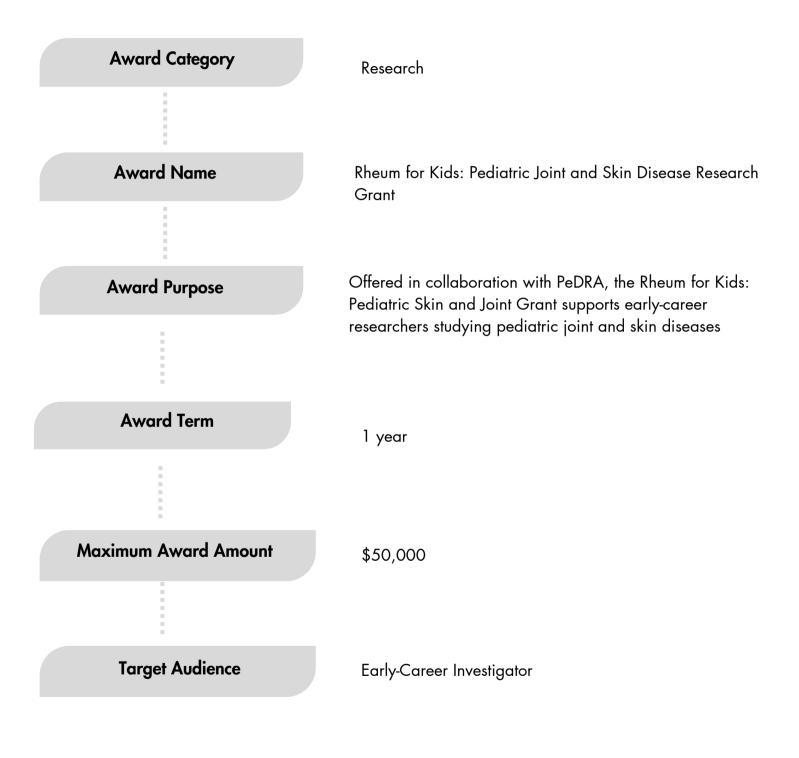
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Award Category	Research
Award Name	Arthritis and Related Autoimmune Disease Research Grant
Award Purpose	This grant aims to provide funding to early career researchers focusing on arthritis or related autoimmune
	disease.
Award Term	2 year
Maximum Award Amount	\$250,000
Target Audience	Early-Career Investigator

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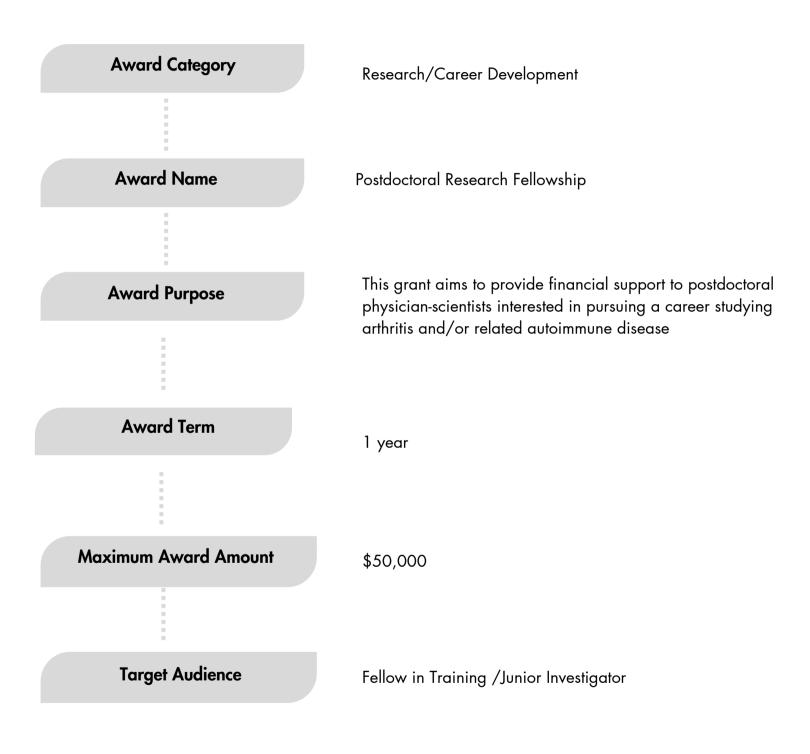
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More Info:

https://curearthritis.org/research-grants/

**Award Category** Research **Award Name** Psoriatic Arthritis Research Grant This grant aims to provide funding to early career **Award Purpose** researchers focusing on psoriatic arthritis or it's underlying mechanisms **Award Term** 2 year **Maximum Award Amount** \$250,000 **Target Audience** Early-Career Investigator



More Info:

https://curearthritis.org/research-grants/

**Award Category** 

Bridge

**Award Name** 

Bridge Award

**Award Purpose** 

Supports primary investigators who have submitted a K- (career development) or R-equivalent (investigator-initiated) application to the NIH or similar funding body, received a funding decision, were not funded but received a priority score, summary statement, and funding decision, and intend to resubmit the revised application within the next 12-18 months. Preference will be given to applicants who have submitted a K-equivalent.

Intended for PIs who have submitted a K- or R-equivalent application to the NIH or similar funding body and were not funded but received a priority score; preference given to applicants who have submitted a K-equivalent application.

**Award Term** 

1 - 1.5 years

**Maximum Award Amount** 

\$125,000

**Target Audience** 

More Info:

**Award Category** Career Development Award **Award Name** Mentored Career Development Award Supports an Early Investigator who demonstrates a clear **Award Purpose** track record and commitment to developing an independent research career in pediatric rheumatology. **Award Term** 3 years **Maximum Award Amount** \$375,000 **Target Audience** Early Investigators

More Info:

**Award Category Fellow Award Name** Fellows Grant **Award Purpose** Supports fellows with a project that extends, enhances or is distinct from their primary scholarly project **Award Term** 1 year **Maximum Award Amount** \$25,000 **Target Audience** 3<sup>rd</sup> Year Fellows

More Info:

**Award Category** Travel **Award Name** PReS Travel Award **Award Purpose** Support Early Investigator travel to present at the PReS Annual Meeting. **Award Term** 1 week **Maximum Award Amount** \$2,000 **Target Audience** Early Investigators

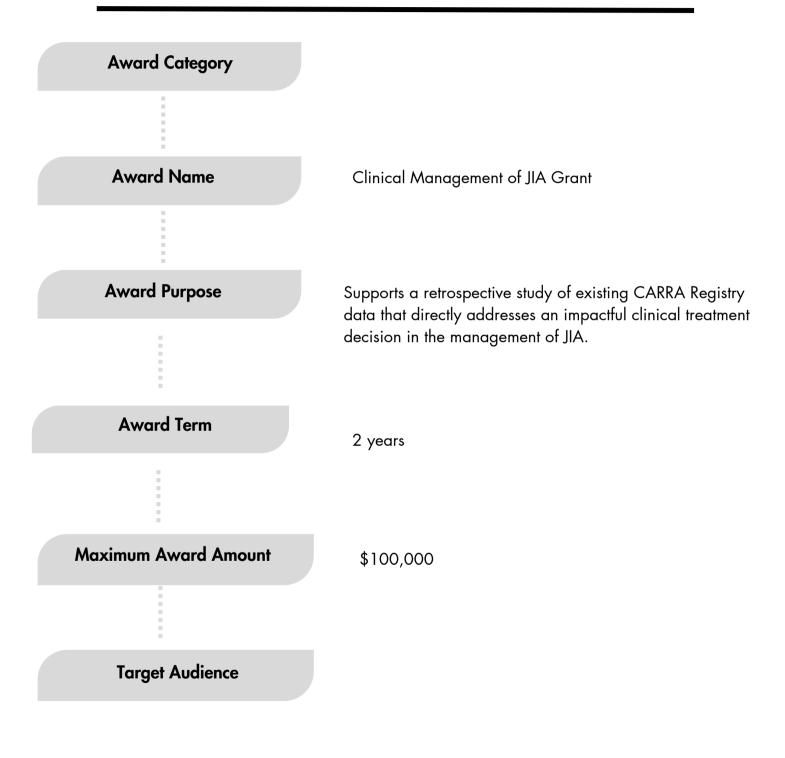
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Award Category	Travel
Award Name	Utrecht Travel Award
Award Purpose	Support Early Investigator travel to the Utrecht Translational Research Summer Program.
Award Term	1 week
Maximum Award Amount	\$2,000
Target Audience	Early Investigators

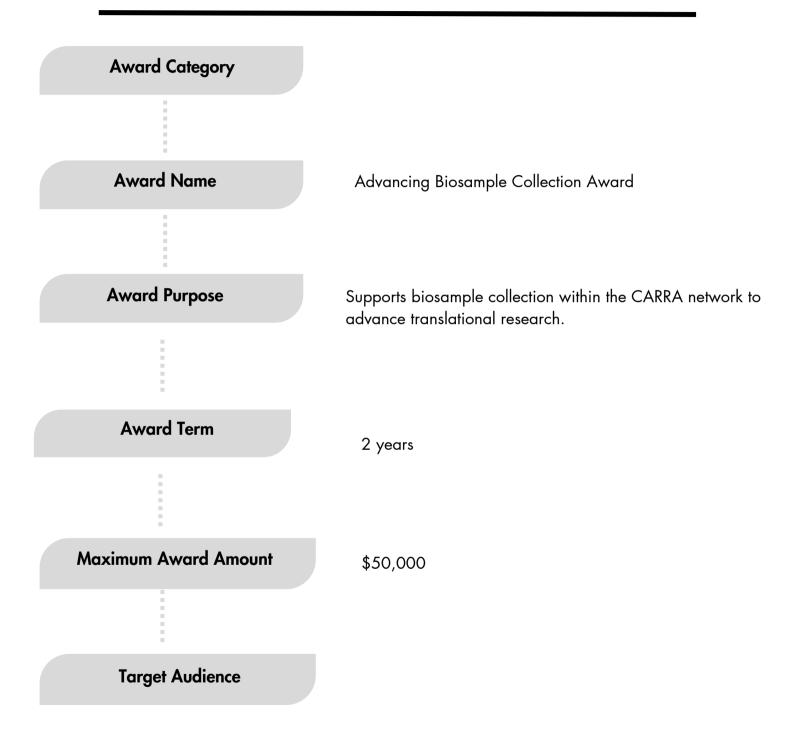
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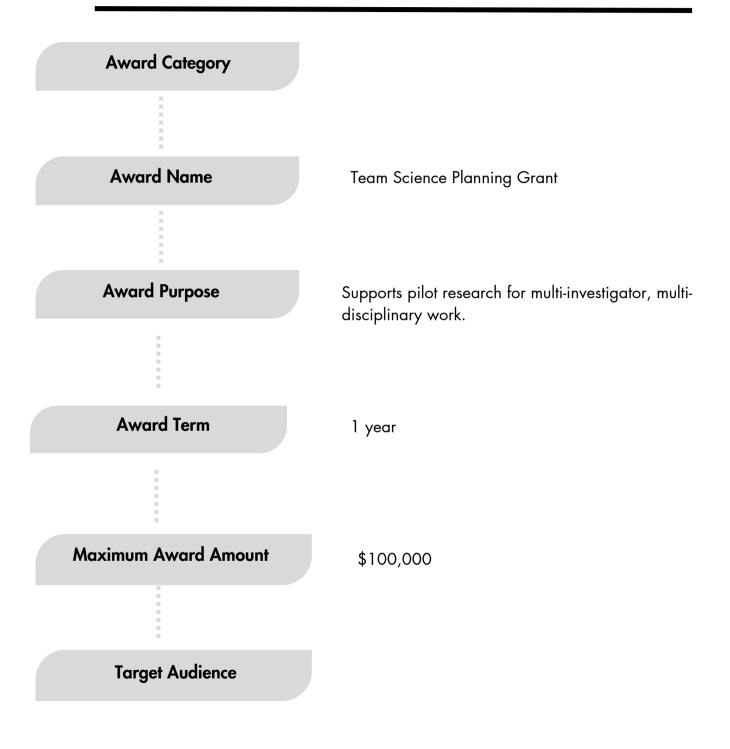
Award Category	
Award Name	Small Grant
Award Purpose	Support research projects in development
Award Term	1 year
Maximum Award Amount	\$50,000
Target Audience	

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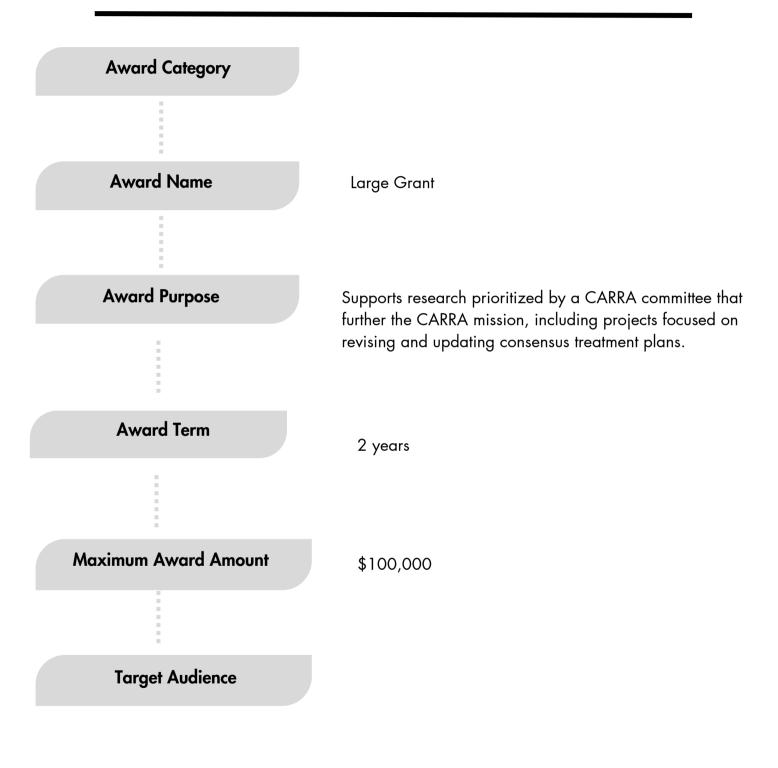


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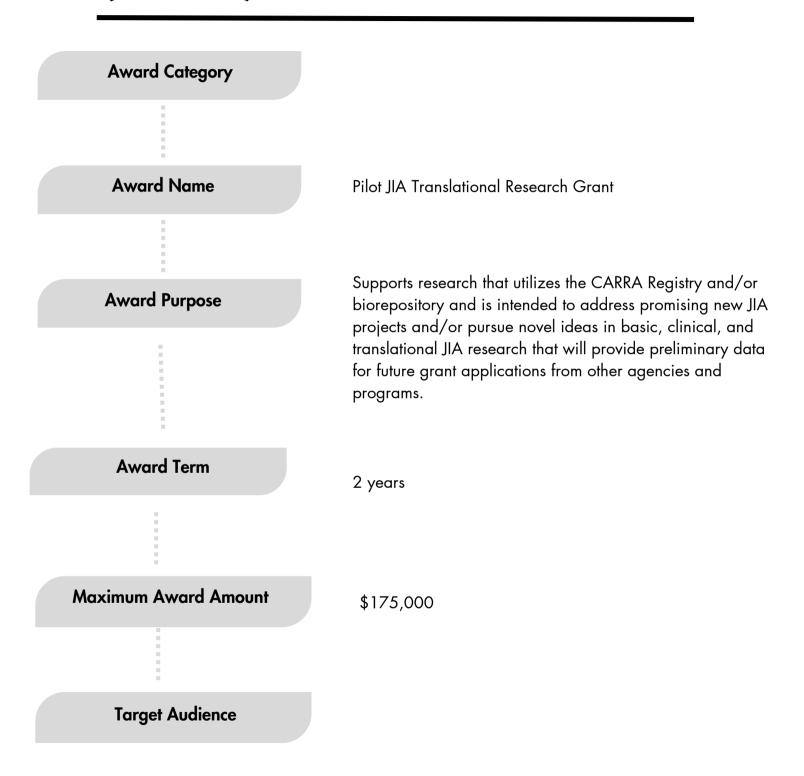




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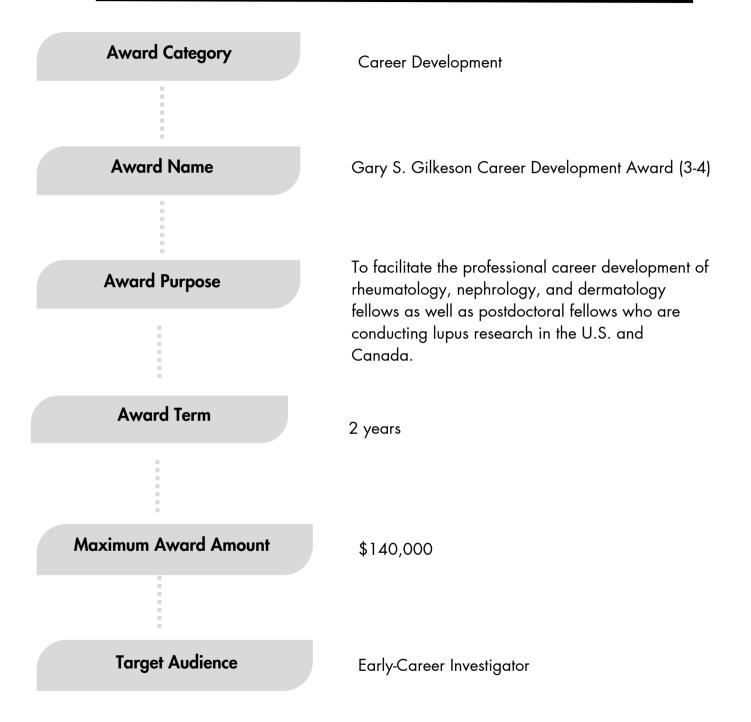


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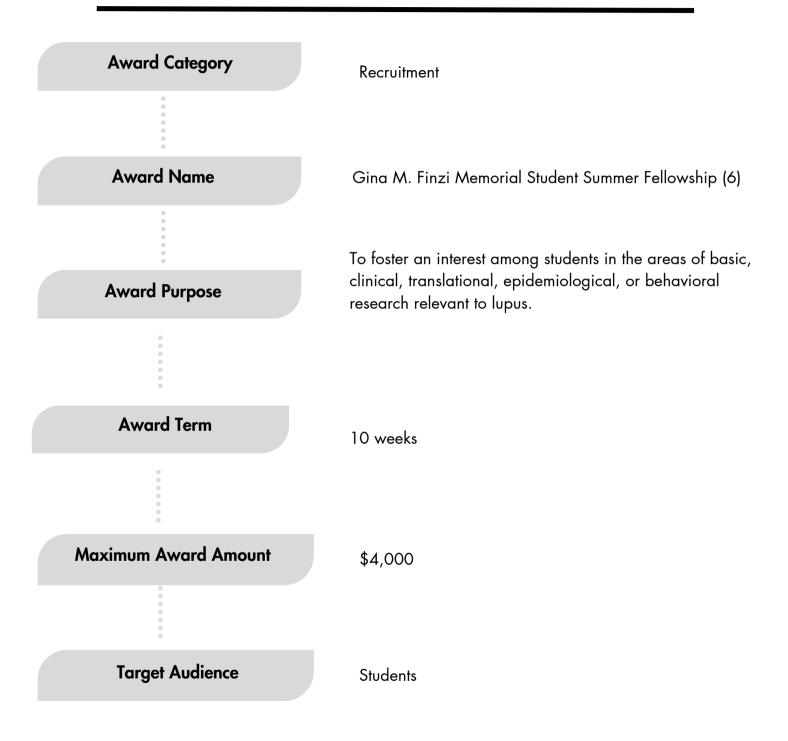
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https://www.lupus.org/research/apply-for-funding

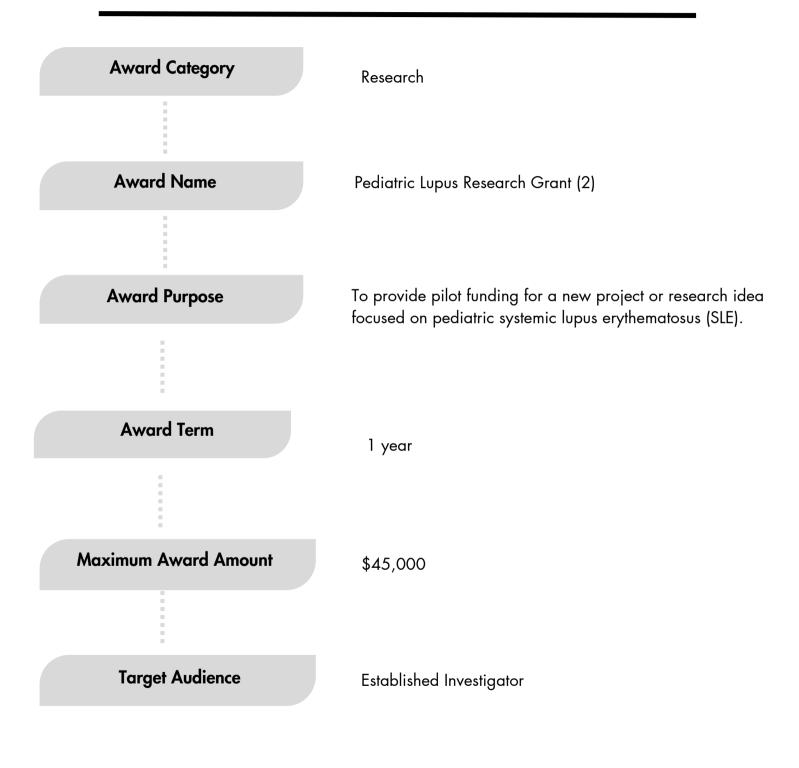
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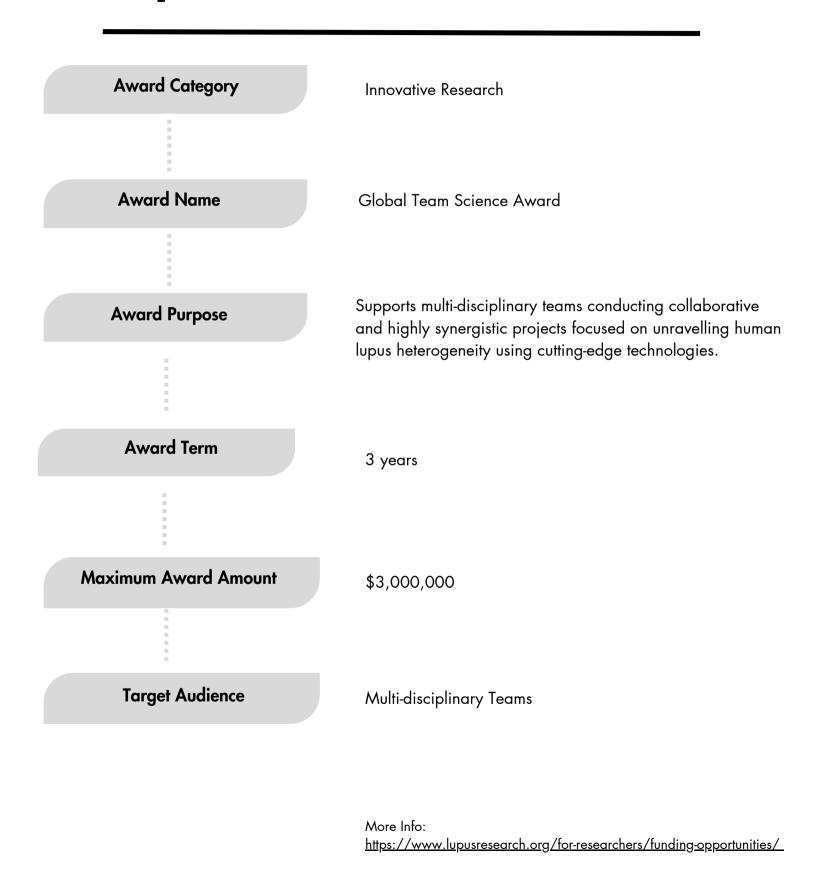
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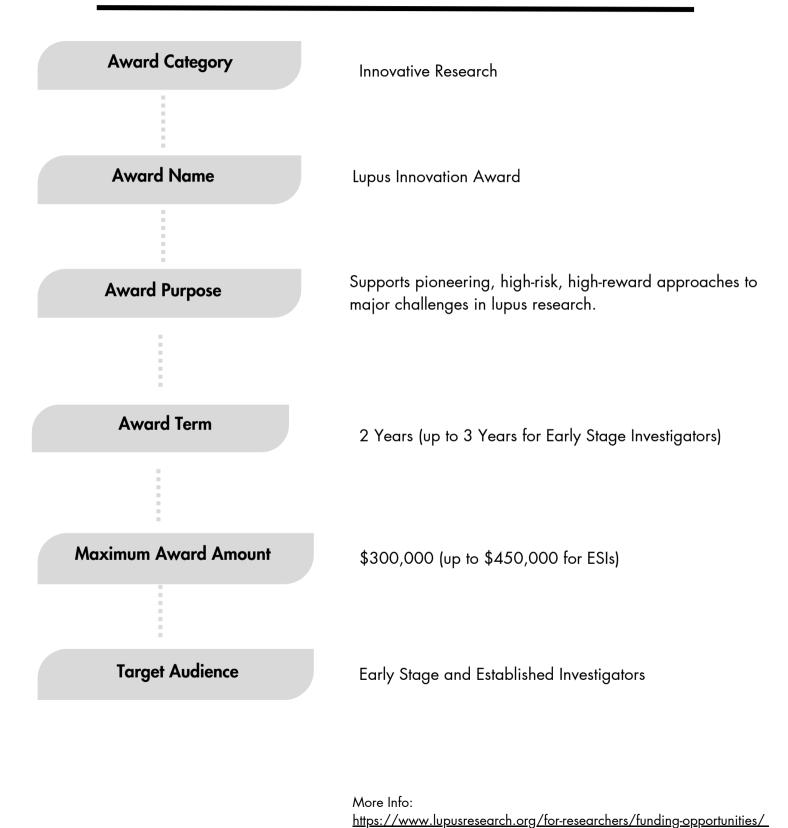
# Lupus Research Alliance

**Award Category** Career Development **Award Name** Empowering Lupus Research Administrative Supplement Supports highly qualified and promising predoctoral and **Award Purpose** postdoctoral trainees working on research aligned with an active LRA parent award or lupus research-focused NIH, DOD, or equivalent award in good standing. **Award Term** 2 years **Maximum Award Amount** \$30,000 **Target Audience** Predoctoral and postdoctoral students working on lupus research More Info: https://www.lupusresearch.org/for-researchers/funding-opportunities/

# Lupus Research Alliance



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**Award Category** 

Career Development

**Award Name** 

Pre-Doctoral Fellowship Awards

**Award Purpose** 

The Pre-Doctoral Summer Fellowship Award Program encourages and fosters the next generation of researchers by cultivating interest in the cause and cure of scleroderma under the mentorship of an established scleroderma researcher. The funds can be used to support the student's research project, defray tuition costs, housing, books, or travel/registration to scientific meetings.

**Award Term** 

One time payment to award recipient

**Maximum Award Amount** 

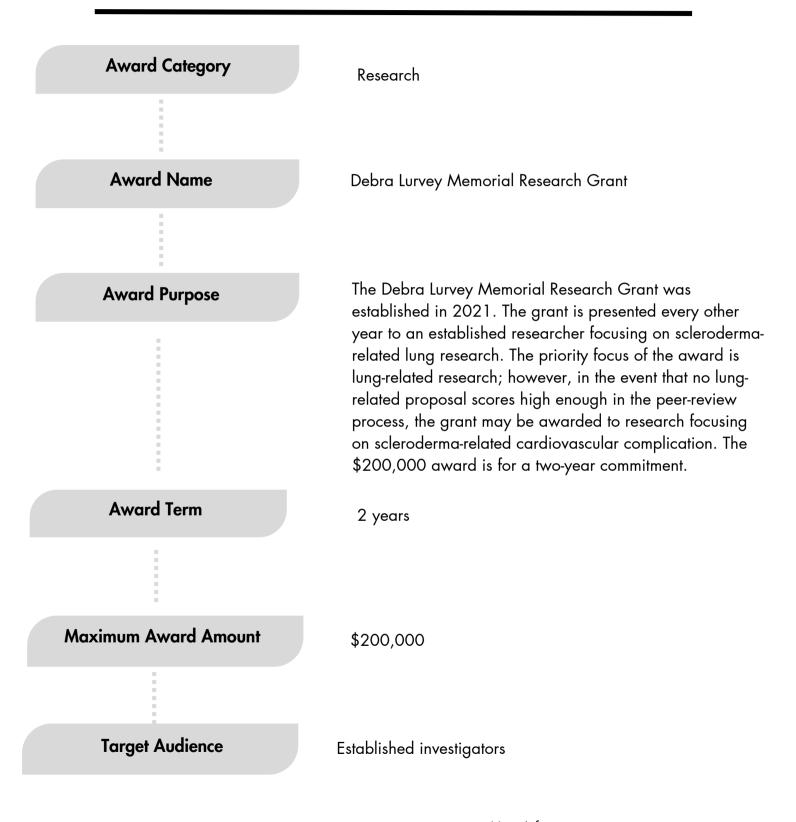
\$2,000

**Target Audience** 

Current graduate student in an accredited doctoral (PhD) program in the U.S

More Info:

https://scleroderma.org/mentor-programs/



More Info:

**Award Category** Research **Award Name** The Marta Marx Fund for the Eradication of Scleroderma The Foundation has designated the Marta Marx Fund for **Award Purpose** the Eradication of Scleroderma Award to be presented to a recipient of a research grant whose score ranks among the top two scored proposals. **Award Term** 2 or 3 years **Maximum Award Amount** \$200,000 **Target Audience** New and established investigators

More Info:

**Award Category** 

Research

**Award Name** 

The Mark Flapan Award

**Award Purpose** 

The Mark Flapan Award is presented annually to a scleroderma researcher whose proposal for a research grant is ranked highly by the Peer Review Committee of the National Scleroderma Foundation. Along with the Marta Marx Eradication of Scleroderma Award, the Flapan Award is one of the two highest ranking grant proposals as scored by the committee.

**Award Term** 

2 or 3 years

**Maximum Award Amount** 

\$200,000

**Target Audience** 

New and established investigators

More Info:

**Award Category** 

Research

**Award Name** 

Established Investigator Grant

**Award Purpose** 

The National Scleroderma Foundation seeks applications from promising established investigators both inside and outside the field of scleroderma research who wish to propose pilot studies to obtain preliminary data dealing with a highly innovative and/or highly relevant theme related to the disease. This grant will support pilot research that is likely to lead to more substantial unlimited research project grants from federal or non-federal sources.

**Award Term** 

2 years

**Maximum Award Amount** 

\$200,000

**Target Audience** 

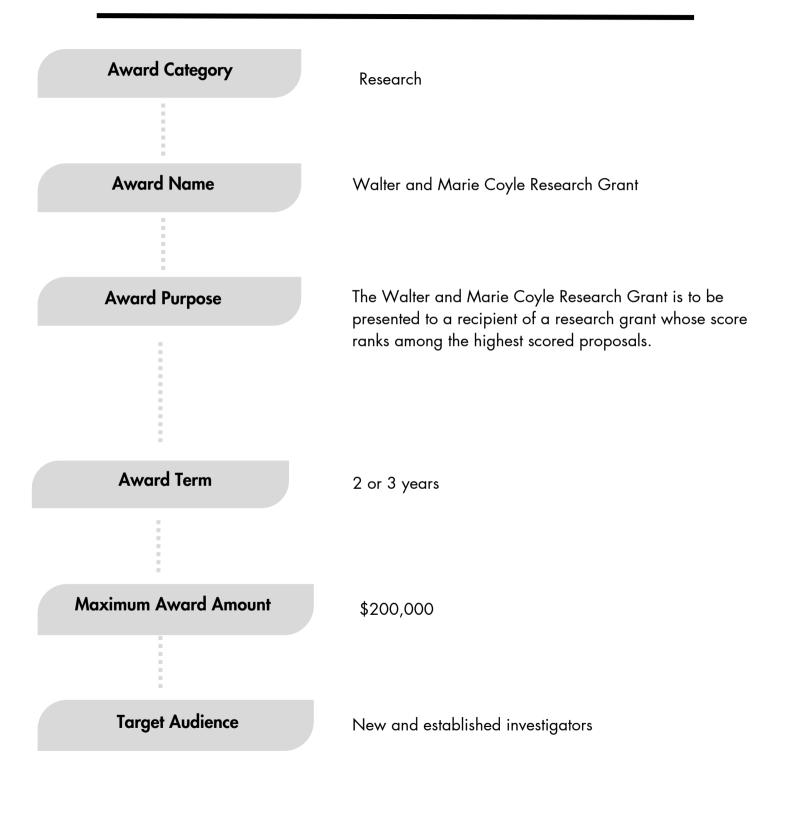
The Established Investigator Grant is designed to facilitate highly innovative or highly relevant and meritorious pilot projects by established investigators in areas of research related to scleroderma that will culminate in more substantial funding from

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**Award Category** Research **Award Name** New Investigator Grant **Award Purpose** The National Scleroderma Foundation seeks applications from promising new investigators who hold faculty or equivalent positions and who wish to pursue a career in research related to scleroderma. This grant supports promising research that is likely to lead to individual research project grants. **Award Term** 3 years **Maximum Award Amount** \$200,000 The New Investigator Grant is designed to facilitate the entry **Target Audience** of promising new investigators into areas of research related

to scleroderma.

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**Award Category** 

Career Development

**Award Name** 

Career Development Bridge Funding Award: R Bridge

**Award Purpose** 

The purpose of this award is to provide funding to NIH RO1, VA Research Career Scientist (RCS) or Merit Award applicants whose application received a priority score but was not funded, and who are at risk of running out of research support.

**Award Term** 

2 years

**Maximum Award Amount** 

\$200,000

**Target Audience** 

Physician Scientists and Health Professional Researchers

More Info:

https://www.rheumresearch.org/career-development-research-awards#RBridge



Career Development/Research

### **Award Name**

Career Development Bridge Funding Award: K Supplement

### **Award Purpose**

This award is designed to address the needs of these investigators and serve as a supplement to the NIH individual K series, VA CDA, or equivalent 4- or 5-year award mechanism. Applicants should propose a new project or expansion of their career development award that demonstrates growth of the aims of the initial award and an independent direction for the investigator leading to the submission of an R award or equivalent.

### **Award Term**

2 years

### **Maximum Award Amount**

\$100,000

### **Target Audience**

Early- and Mid-Career Physicians and Health Professionals

### More Info:



Career Development/Research

### **Award Name**

Career Development Bridge Funding Award: K Bridge

### **Award Purpose**

The purpose of this award is to provide bridge funding for promising investigators as they are revising outstanding individual career development award applications (i.e., applications for NIH K series awards, VA CDA-2 awards, or any equivalent career development awards). Through this bridge funding award, the Foundation will support junior faculty members so that they have the highest likelihood of achieving success in obtaining longer term career development awards

### **Award Term**

1 years

### **Maximum Award Amount**

\$75,000

### **Target Audience**

Early- and Mid-Career Physicians and Health Professionals

More Info:

https://www.rheumresearch.org/career-development-research-awards#KBridge

**Award Category** 

Career Development/Research

**Award Name** 

Scientist Development Award

**Award Purpose** 

This award is designed for individuals in the early stages of their career, typically Fellows, including those without significant research experience who plan to embark on careers in rheumatic disease research. The purpose of this award is to provide a structured research training program for rheumatologists or health professionals in the field of rheumatology.

**Award Term** 

2-3 years

**Maximum Award Amount** 

Up to \$225,000

**Target Audience** 

Fellows, Early-Career Physicians and Health Professionals

More Info:

https://www.rheumresearch.org/career-development-research-awards#SDA



Career Development/Research

### **Award Name**

Investigator Award

### **Award Purpose**

This award is intended to support early-stage investigators with a faculty appointment during the period that they are developing a project that will be competitive for NIH and/or equivalent funding. It is not intended to be a second postdoctoral fellowship. The purpose is to provide support for basic science, translational, and clinical investigators engaged in research relevant to the rheumatic diseases for the period between the completion of post-doctorate fellowship training and establishment as an independent investigator

### **Award Term**

3 years

### **Maximum Award Amount**

\$375,000

### **Target Audience**

Early- and Mid-Career Physicians and Health Professionals

More Info:

https://www.rheumresearch.org/career-development-research-awards#IA



Career Development/Travel

### **Award Name**

The Marshall J. Schiff, MD Memorial Fellow Research Award was established with the aim of supporting outstanding scholarship in the field of rheumatology research and to recognize and celebrate fellows presenting an abstract at ACR Convergence.

### **Award Purpose**

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### **Award Term**

1 year

### **Maximum Award Amount**

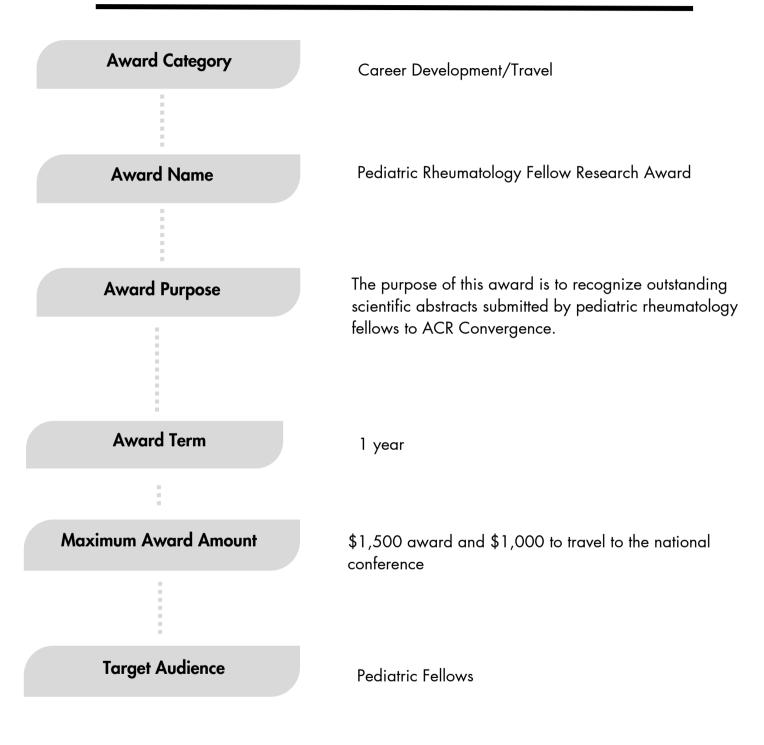
\$1,500 award and \$1,000 to travel to the national conference

### **Target Audience**

**Fellows** 

More Info:

https://www.rheumresearch.org/acr-convergence-awards#MJS



More Info:

**Award Category** 

**Education & Training** 

**Award Name** 

Clinician Scholar Educator Award

**Award Purpose** 

The purpose of the Clinician Scholar Educator (CSE) Award is to enhance education in rheumatic and musculoskeletal diseases for future doctors and rheumatology health professionals. Recipients of the award have demonstrated that they want to develop a career in education and are devoted to providing effective and efficient training. Recipients of the CSE Award devote themselves to developing products and processes using new technologies and methods to better train future rheumatologists.

**Award Term** 

3 years

**Maximum Award Amount** 

\$210,000

**Target Audience** 

Clinician Scholars/ Academia (career level-open)

More Info:

https://www.rheumresearch.org/education-and-training-awards#CSE

**Award Category** 

**Education & Training** 

**Award Name** 

Mentored Nurse Practitioner/Physician Assistant Award for Workforce Expansion

**Award Purpose** 

The purpose of the Mentored Nurse Practitioner/Physician Assistant (NP/PA) Award for Workforce Expansion is to increase the supply of rheumatology healthcare providers to better meet the needs of people with rheumatic diseases across the United States, particularly in geographically underserved areas. This award provides resources and the framework of knowledge, skills, and attitudes needed by NP/PAs, new to rheumatology, to facilitate their integration into a rheumatology practice under the supervision of a rheumatologist.

**Award Term** 

1 year

**Maximum Award Amount** 

\$25,000

**Target Audience** 

Clinician (Mentor)/ Nurse Practitioner or Physician Assistant (Mentee)

More Info:

https://www.rheumresearch.org/education-and-training-awards#MNP

**Award Category** 

**Education & Training** 

**Award Name** 

Fellowship Training Award

**Award Purpose** 

The purpose of this award is to help ensure an adequate supply of (a) rheumatology providers meeting the needs of children and adults with rheumatic diseases in all areas of the country and (b) rheumatology educators and investigators to train future clinicians and advance research in rheumatic and musculoskeletal diseases. The Fellowship Training Award may be used to support the salary of any fellow in an ACGME-accredited rheumatology fellowship training program.

**Award Term** 

2-3 years

Maximum Award Amount

\$100,000/\$150,000

**Target Audience** 

ACGME-accredited Rheumatology Fellowship Program

More Info:

https://www.rheumresearch.org/education-and-training-awards#FTA

**Award Category** 

**Education & Training** 

**Award Name** 

Health Professional Online Education Grant

**Award Purpose** 

The purpose of this award is to increase the knowledge and skills of non-physician rheumatology health professionals to meet the needs of a growing rheumatology patient population by reimbursing the cost of registration for the Advanced Rheumatology Course.

Additional information about this course can be found on the ACR's website at: Health Professional Education.

**Award Term** 

1 year

**Maximum Award Amount** 

\$1,999

**Target Audience** 

Health Professionals

More Info:

https://www.rheumresearch.org/education-and-training-awards#HPOEG

**Award Category** 

**Education & Training** 

**Award Name** 

Fellowship Training Award for Workforce Expansion

**Award Purpose** 

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**Award Term** 

2-3 years

**Maximum Award Amount** 

\$100,000/\$150,000

**Target Audience** 

ACGME-accredited RheumatoloACGME-accredited Rheumatology Fellowship Program (creating new slot, new ACGME-accredited program or slot gone unfilled)gy Fellowship Program

More Info:

https://www.rheumresearch.org/education-and-training-awards#FTAWF

**Award Category** 

Innovative Research

**Award Name** 

Innovative Research Award

**Award Purpose** 

The Innovative Research Award provides independent academic investigators with the funding they need to pursue ideas that could lead to important breakthroughs in discovering new treatments and, one day, a cure for rheumatic diseases. This award provides essential support for innovative studies focused on generating new insights into the cause, progression, treatment, and outcomes of rheumatic and musculoskeletal diseases.

**Award Term** 

2 years

**Maximum Award Amount** 

\$400,000

**Target Audience** 

Physician Scientists, Health Professional Researchers and Clinicians

More Info:

https://www.rheumresearch.org/innovative-research-award

**Award Category** 

Innovative Research

**Award Name** 

Community Practice Innovation Award

**Award Purpose** 

The Innovative Research Award provides independent academic investigators with the funding they need to pursue ideas that could lead to important breakthroughs in discovering new treatments and, one day, a cure for rheumatic diseases. This award provides essential support for innovative studies focused on generating new insights into the cause, progression, treatment, and outcomes of rheumatic and musculoskeletal diseases.

**Award Term** 

1 year

**Maximum Award Amount** 

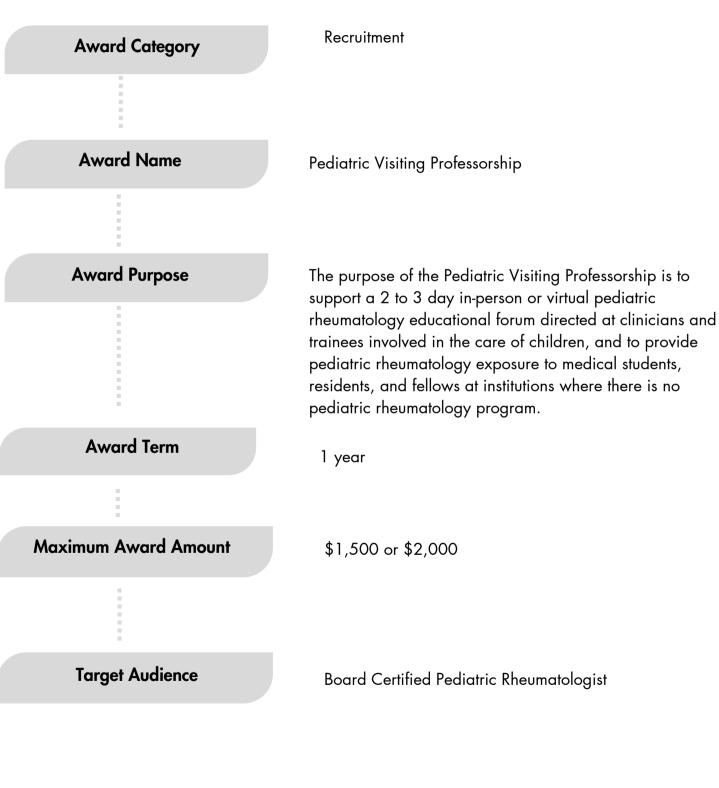
Up to \$80,000

**Target Audience** 

Physician Scientists, Health Professional Researchers and Clinicians

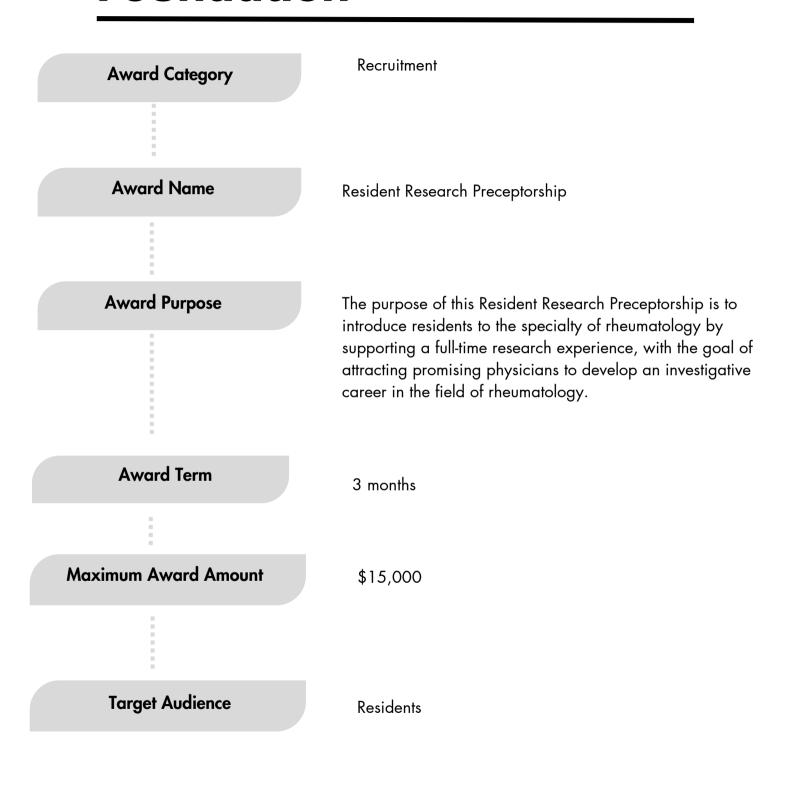
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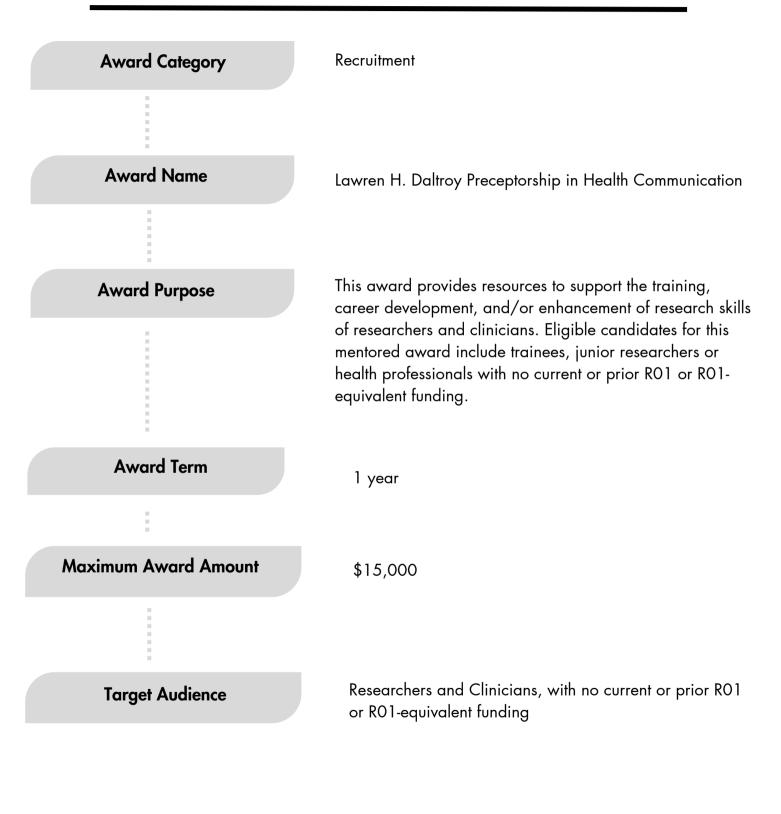
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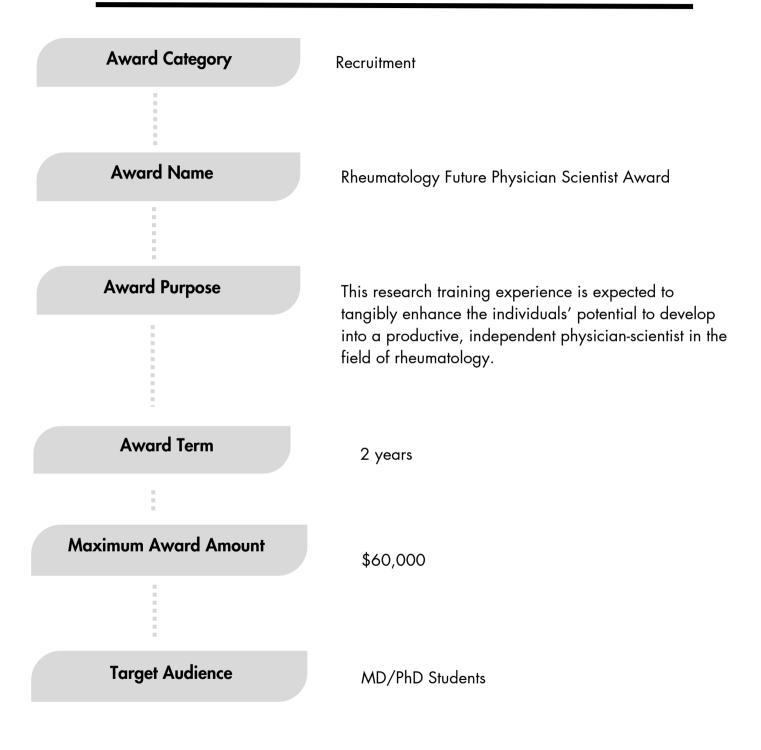
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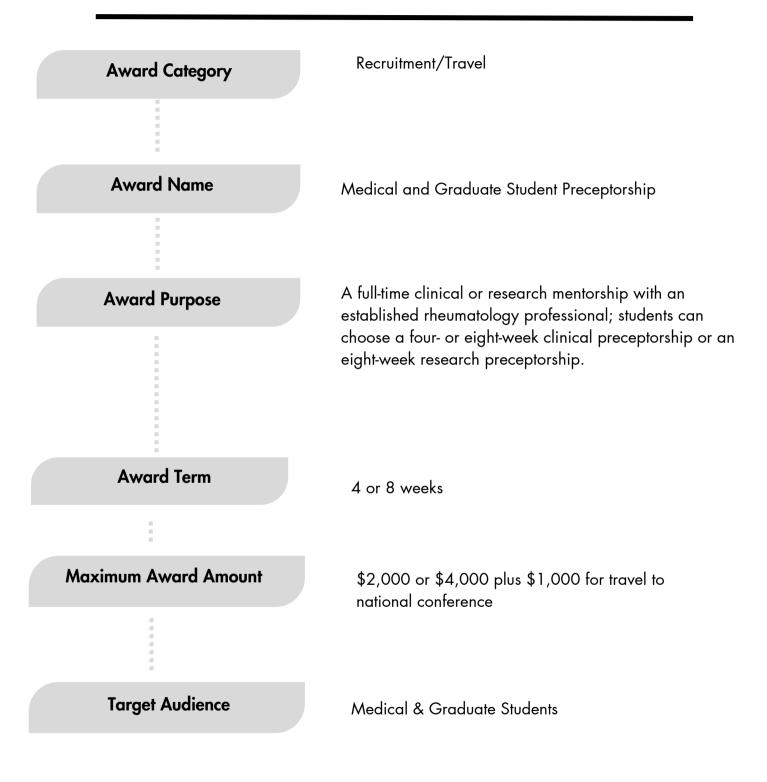


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https://www.rheumresearch.org/preceptorships#LHDP



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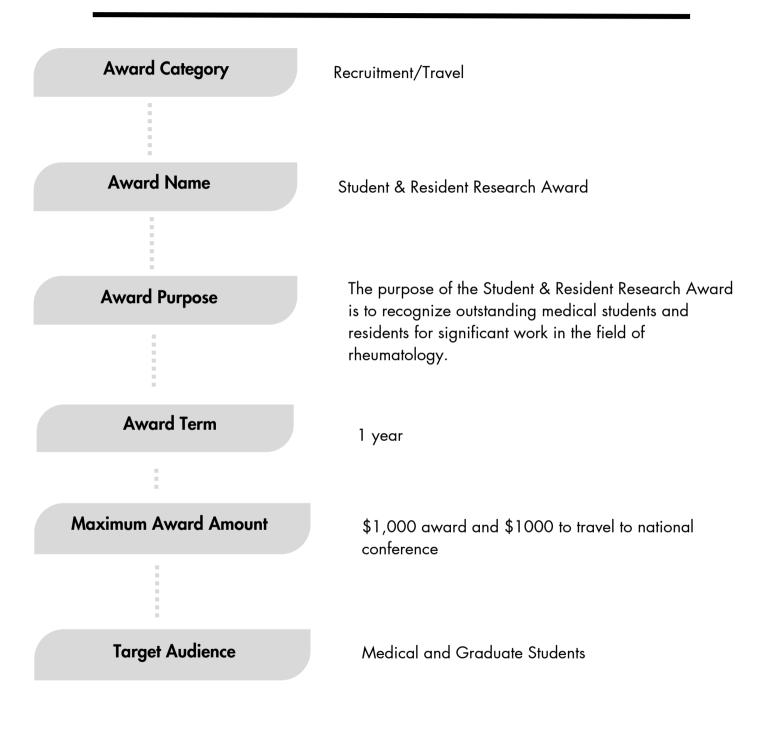


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Recruitment/Travel **Award Category Award Name** Choose Rheumatology Scholarship The purpose of the Choose Rheumatology Scholarship is **Award Purpose** to introduce students and residents to rheumatology by supporting their in-person attendance at ACR Convergence 2025, the world's premier rheumatology experience. **Award Term** 1 year **Maximum Award Amount** \$2,000 **Target Audience** Medical and Graduate Students, and Residents

More Info:

https://www.rheumresearch.org/acr-convergence-awards#SRConvergence



More Info:

https://www.rheumresearch.org/acr-convergence-awards#SRRA

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