



REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

The Marfan Foundation and its divisions are proud to announce the latest request for proposals.

This grant program is designed to provide financial support for investigators conducting basic, translational, or clinical research in any discipline involving Marfan syndrome, Vascular Ehlers-Danlos syndrome, Loeys-Dietz syndrome, Ehlers-Danlos syndrome, or other genetic aortic and vascular conditions.

The funding opportunities are as follows:

► **EVEREST AWARD** This is a large, multi-institutional, transformational grant designed to “reach the summit” on a critical path to a breakthrough in basic or translational science that has direct relevance to human health. It must include an institutionally funded graduate student or fellow. Engagement of multi-disciplinary investigators or pharma would be highly desirable. This single award is for \$200,000 per year for four years based on yearly milestone review.

Letter of Intent September 30, 2024
Request for Full Proposals.....October 28, 2024
Full Application Deadline.....December 16, 2024
Announcement of Award.....June 9, 2025
Funding AvailableJuly 1, 2025

► **INNOVATORS AWARD** This award is for faculty members to explore innovative concepts in science that might use different paradigms to identify new opportunities for significant discoveries or new therapies, with the hope of a remarkable improvement in human health. Examples could include fundamental research, clinical research, diagnostic tests, biomarkers, biomedical engineering advances, and imaging advances. This award is for \$100,000 over two years (\$50,000 per year).

Application Deadline October 23, 2024
Announcement of Award(s)April 30, 2025
Funding AvailableJuly 1, 2025

► **CAREER DEVELOPMENT AWARD** This award is designed to support investigators early in their careers to obtain preliminary data in a key concept area that has high potential to lead to extended funding from NIH, EU, and other large research funding sources. This award is for \$100,000 over two years (\$50,000 per year).

Application DeadlineOctober 23, 2024
Announcement of Award(s)April 30, 2025
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► **VICTOR A. MCKUSICK FELLOWSHIP** This award is designed to support postdoctoral fellows embarking on a scientific career in biomedical research related to any of the genetic aortic and vascular conditions that are within the Foundation’s scope of interest. This award is for \$150,000 for an MD or \$100,000 for a PhD over two years (\$75,000 or \$50,000 per year).

Application Deadline.....January 29, 2025
Announcement of Award(s).....June 9, 2025
Funding Available.....July 1, 2025

Applications with a clinical research focus are welcome within any of these mechanisms. Grant awards are based on proposal evaluation by The Marfan Foundation Scientific Advisory Board with the approval of the Board of Directors.

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