



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, other genetic aortic and vascular conditions, and Stickler syndrome.

The funding opportunities are as follows:

► **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 DeadlineOctober 19, 2026

Announcement of Award(s)April 29, 2027

Funding AvailableJuly 1, 2027

► **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).

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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 DeadlineJanuary 25, 2027

Announcement of Award(s)June 18, 2027

Funding AvailableJuly 1, 2027

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.

*For guidelines & applications, visit [Marfan.org/Research/Grants](https://marfan.org/Research/Grants)
or contact the Marfan Foundation (Imay@marfan.org).*