

NEUROIMAGING AND CSF BIOMARKER PROGRAM

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY DESCRIPTION

The aim of this RFP is to further develop and validate established biomarkers for which there is a clear clinical need in Alzheimer's disease and related dementias. This RFP prioritizes biomarkers with a **defined context of use**, a clear advantage over other relevant biomarkers, and a path to commercialization and/or clinical use.

Specifically, this RFP focuses on:

- Developing novel PET ligands for clinical trials
- Supporting novel CSF biomarkers
- Validating innovative MRI approaches in larger cohorts
- Developing novel measures of functional activity such as EEG

*Peripheral biofluids and digital/ocular approaches are supported through the **Diagnostics Accelerator RFP**.*

Novel biomarkers of neuroinflammation, synaptic integrity, autophagy and TDP-43 are high priority. Other target areas of interest include:

- Neuronal loss
- Vascular injury and blood-brain barrier integrity
- Mitochondria and metabolic function
- Protein misfolding
- Oxidative stress
- White matter changes
- Lewy body dementia
- Other novel targets supported by compelling biological rationale and connection to disease

The ADDF has limited interest in CSF measures of amyloid and tau.

UPCOMING DEADLINES

ELIGIBILITY

AWARD INFORMATION

Award Amount

Up to \$600,000 based on stage and scope of research.

Award Duration

One year with potential for follow-on funding.

Allowable costs

Only direct costs are allowed. Please review our [Funding Policies](#)

FUNDING PRIORITIES

EXPECTATIONS AND EVALUATION

APPLICATION SUBMISSIONS

Review the [Application Instructions](#) for steps on applying.

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