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Research Grants: Academic Year 2026-2027

Letter of Intent open: Nov 28, 2025

Letter of Intent due: Jan 30, 2026

Invitation for full application: March 20, 2026

Full Application due: June 5, 2026

Award details

One year grant up to a maximum of \$75,000 will be awarded to research scientists (MD, MD/PhD, or PhD). The same investigator can reapply the following year to be considered for a second consecutive year of funding. When submitting applications for a grant on the same subject for the second consecutive year, the applicant will also submit a report of the results obtained during the prior APDA funding year.

The applicants will receive notification of the decision in October 2026. The APDA grant year runs from January 1, 2027, to December 31, 2027.

Goal

APDA Research Grants are intended to support research aimed at developing new insights into the pathophysiology, etiology and/or treatment of Parkinson's disease. Grant proposals can address research questions anywhere along the pipeline from basic science to rehabilitation-focused projects. APDA seeks to promote the entry of new investigators into the field of Parkinson research, as well as to support important new ideas in the field worthy of investigation.

Eligibility

All research scientists in the field of Parkinson's research can apply, including scientists from outside the US. The selection committee will more favorably consider researchers who are new to the field of Parkinson's disease.

Application Process and Proposal

Required information in the Letter of Intent:

1. Provide an overview of research activities to be carried out. You can upload figures in **supplemental materials**. (400 words)
2. Highlight the novelty of the current research as well as the relevance and potential significance of the findings to the PD community (100 words)
3. Indicate collaborations with other internal or external researchers/organizations. (50 words)

6. Citations (unlimited)

In addition, the applicant's NIH biosketch is required.

Note: The word limit shown is only a guideline. The actual limit is based on character count in Proposal Central. Please verify the specific limit within the application.

Funding

10% of the total funding (\$7,500) can be allocated to indirect costs. This is included in the \$75,000.

Funding is not to be used for:

- Travel expenses.
- Publication costs higher than \$1,000.
- Equipment costs higher than \$8,000.

Grant Disbursement

Funds (\$75,000) will be awarded as follows:

- 50% on or about January 2027.
- 25% on or about June 2027.
- 25% on or about December 2027.

Deliverables:

- A midyear scientific report.
- A final scientific report.
- A final financial report.

If you have any questions, please reach out to Dr. Elvin Yao, Senior Programs and Research Manager, at eyao@apdaparkinson.org.

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The American Parkinson Disease Association (APDA) <

<https://www.apdaparkinson.org/about-apda/>> is a nationwide grassroots network dedicated to fighting Parkinson's disease (PD) and works tirelessly to help the approximately one million with PD in the United States live life to the fullest in the face of this chronic, neurological disorder. Founded in 1961, APDA has raised and invested more than \$313 million to provide outstanding patient services and educational programs, elevate public awareness about the disease, and support research designed to unlock the mysteries of PD and ultimately put an end to this disease.

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