



# CENTER FOR DIABETES AND METABOLIC DISEASES

INDIANA UNIVERSITY

## Pilot & Feasibility Grants

AN INITIATIVE FUNDED BY  
NIH/NIDDK P30 DK097512

### DEADLINES

Letter of Intent: Friday January 19, 2018 @ 5:00 p.m.

Application: Monday March 19, 2018 @ 11:59 p.m.

*Please note that you will be submitting through the Indiana CTSI's new grants management software WebCAMP.  
Please allow enough time to be familiar with a new system.*

*The WebCAMP user's guide is also available under the funding announcement here:  
<https://www.indianactsi.org/funding/all-open-rfps/>*

Contact **Jeffrey S. Elmendorf, PhD** [jelmendo@iupui.edu](mailto:jelmendo@iupui.edu) with RFA questions.

Contact Julie Driscoll [judrisco@iu.edu](mailto:judrisco@iu.edu) / 317-278-2822 for WebCAMP questions

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# INFORMATION FOR APPLICANTS

## GENERAL

A primary research-related activity of the Center for Diabetes and Metabolic Diseases (CDMD)'s Pilot and Feasibility (P&F) program is to foster the development of new diabetes-related investigators and provide seed-support for innovative, high-risk projects. The CDMD P&F program can fund several meritorious proposals at \$5,000, \$15,000, \$30,000, or \$45,000. Specified award amounts should be requested in the application budget and justified for either a small-scale (i.e., funds may be requested to support the use of CDMD core facility "Core Bucks"), mid-scale, or large-scale study.

This funding opportunity announcement invites applications from investigators at Indiana University (IUSM, IUB, etc.), IUPUI, Ball State, Notre Dame, IBRI and Purdue. The program will be particularly directed at new investigators and established investigators new to diabetes-related research. The program will also consider established diabetes investigators pursuing high impact/high risk projects or projects that are a significant departure from their usual work. The campuses are ideal for establishing interdisciplinary collaborations and forging new partnerships between basic scientists and clinical researchers, and such collaborations are encouraged.

Work supported by these funds is expected to lead to submissions of major extramural grants (R01/equivalent NIH, major foundation awards, DOD, etc.).

## ELIGIBILITY

Principal investigators must have a primary appointment at IU, IUPUI, Ball State, Notre Dame, IBRI or Purdue and have the education, skills, knowledge, and resources necessary to carry out the proposed research. National and international collaborations are allowed.

New investigators, as defined by the NIH, should not have previously competed successfully for a substantial (e.g., R01) NIH-supported independent research award (see [http://grants.nih.gov/grants/new\\_investigators/#definition](http://grants.nih.gov/grants/new_investigators/#definition)).

Note that established non-diabetes and diabetes-related investigators with previous and/or ongoing substantial NIH-supported independent research awards can submit applications pursuing high impact/high risk projects or projects that are a significant departure from their usual work.

All proposals must be directed towards basic biomedical, clinical, and/or translational research questions on one of the following:

- cellular and molecular metabolism related to diabetes/obesity/metabolic syndrome
- clinical and outcomes research in diabetes and obesity
- complications of diabetes and obesity
- islet function and survival
- nutrition and physiology of obesity

## RESTRICTIONS/ALLOWABLE EXPENSES

1. All budgets must have a start date of June 1, 2018
2. Costs may not exceed \$45,000. Awards of \$5,000, \$15,000 or \$30,000 may be requested for small- to mid-scale studies.
3. Budget request may not include indirect costs, F&A, or PI salaries
4. Travel budget requested must be limited to those expenses necessary to carry out the specific aims of the proposed project. Travel to conferences or seminars are not an allowable expense.
5. Graduate student stipends (only) are an allowable expense
6. Publication fees are deemed an allowable expense

## APPLICATION & SUBMISSION PROCESS

### Letter of Intent

**The deadline for receipt of letter of intent is Friday January 19, 2018 @ 5:00 p.m.**

The letter of intent is to include: **1)** Title of proposal; **2)** Name and affiliation of participants in the project; **3)** Summary of proposal (*Limit of 300 words*); and **4)** An indication of which core facilities of the IDRC will be utilized (*See the IDRC website for available resources*) Submit the letter of intent to Jeffrey S. Elmendorf at [jelmendo@iupui.edu](mailto:jelmendo@iupui.edu)

### Application

**The deadline for receipt of the application is Monday March 19, 2018 @ 11:59 p.m.**

The 2018 P&F Grant Application Form containing detailed instructions and all the required parts can be downloaded from [CTSI CDMD link](#). Application narratives should follow the sequence provided in the application form and be single spaced in at least 11 point Arial, Helvetica, Palatino Linotype or Georgia typeface, using 0.5 inch margins.

## MECHANISM FOR SUBMISSION OF APPLICATION

1. Applications will be considered one time per year.
2. Submit the letter of intent to Jeffrey S. Elmendorf at [jelmendo@iupui.edu](mailto:jelmendo@iupui.edu)
3. Submit the proposal via uploading to the CTSI Grants Management mechanism using the **Start a Submission** link here: [CTSI CDMD link](#).

## POST AWARD REQUIREMENTS

1. Awards **cannot** be given without proof of any applicable regulatory documentation. It is, therefore, important that applicants be ready to submit any necessary IACUC/IRB documents at the time of award notification.
2. Any publications and/or grant submissions should acknowledge the CDMD P&F program and this award, as well as any CDMD cores used, supported by P30DK097512.
3. Completion of a final progress report due **Friday August 30, 2019 at 5:00 p.m.**
4. Presentation of findings to the CDMD investigators at one or more CDMD sponsored events.
5. Update reports are due on **Friday August 28, 2020** and **Friday August 27, 2021 at 5:00 p.m.**; submitted at one and two years post submission of the final progress report.

6. Notification to the P&F Director, in writing, if you leave your institution before the project is complete and/or if the project is transferred to another PI.

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