

ACADEMIC RESEARCH ENHANCEMENT AWARD (AREA R15) GRANTS

Academic Research Enhancement Award (AREA) Grants – (R15) support small research projects in the biomedical and behavioral sciences which have not been major recipients of NIH research funds. The grants are intended to provide a small amount of funding so students can get hands-on research experience.

Because the R15 mechanism is rather unconventional with small budgets, crafting a clever and highly focused proposal that is seen as achievable becomes the key to an R15 success. With only 26% of new applications getting approved, you have to do everything possible to stand out from the crowd and convince the NIH you are worthy.

This uniquely focused webinar will cover the specifics of R15 grants to help you decide whether or not you qualify, what to include and exclude in your application, the importance of contacting the appropriate IC personnel, and much more. Plus, follow these insider tips to ensure you include the specific criteria reviewers are looking for.

5 Key Take-Aways:

- ✓ Creating a highly focused application that will win R15s
 - ✓ How to interact with program official for guidance while preparing the application
 - ✓ How to write your budget
 - ✓ Managing time-lines and deadlines effectively
 - ✓ Responding to initial critiques and summary statement
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