Limited Submissions

Sponsor: National Institutes of Health (NIH)
Program: Shared Instrumentation Grant (SIG) Program (S10 Clinical Trial Not Allowed)

Estimated Award Amount: $600,000 (direct costs only)
JHU Nomination Limit: not limited, but duplication of requested instrument requires a letter from the VPR

Deadlines:
Internal Application: April 4, 2019
Full Application: May 31, 2019

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Opportunity Summary:
The Shared Instrument Grant (SIG) Program encourages applications from groups of NIH-supported investigators to purchase or upgrade a single item of expensive, specialized, commercially available instruments or integrated systems. Types of instruments supported include, but are not limited to: X-ray diffractometers, mass spectrometers, nuclear magnetic resonance, spectrometers, DNA and protein sequencers, biosensors, electron and light microscopes, cell sorters, and biomedical imagers.

Eligibility & Requirements:
- All instruments, integrated systems, and computer systems must be dedicated to research only.
- Applicants are advised to discuss with the SIG Scientific/Research Contact potential duplicates before submitting two applications for the same type of instrument.
- The PD/PI must be able to assume administrative and scientific oversight responsibility for the requested instrumentation.
- An Advisory Committee must be named to assist the PD/PI in administering the grant and overseeing the usage of the instrument.
- Three Major Users who have substantial need for the instrument must be identified.
- The minimum award is $50,000 of direct costs.

Internal Nomination Process:
There is no restriction on the number of applications an institution can submit to the SIG and/or High-End Instrumentation (HEI) Programs each year, provided the applications request different types of equipment. In general, concurrent SIG, HEI and/or Shared Instrumentation for Animal Research (SIFAR) applications for the same instrument (or the same type of instrument with added special accessories to meet the HEI budget requirement or the same instrument in a cluster of instruments to meet the SIFAR program requirements) are not allowed. If two or more S10 (either SIG, HEI, or SIFAR) applications are submitted for similar equipment from the same institution, documentation from a high level institutional official must be provided stating that this is not an unintended duplication, but part of a campus-wide instrumentation plan. Due to this requirement, submissions for this program will be coordinated by the OVPR.

Interested applicants should submit the following documents:
1. JHU Limited Submission Cover Sheet
2. Description of the proposed instruments
3. List of the major user group
4. Estimate of the cost and the amount to be requested in the grant proposal
5. An explanation of how the costs of installation, maintenance, support personnel and service will be met

Questions? Comments? Email the Research Development Team at resapp@jhu.edu.