

The Association for Frontotemporal Degeneration Opening the gateway to help and a cure

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

AFTD Pilot Grants for Basic and Clinical Research

Deadline for Applications: July 31, 2015

AFTD will fund 2 pilot studies—one for basic science research, and one for clinical research that has been made possible by the Susan Marcus Memorial Fund. Grants awarded will be for a one year duration, with a maximum funding amount of \$60,000 each.¹ Applications may be submitted by researchers at nonprofit academic/hospital research institutions worldwide. Highly innovative proposals are sought to advance our understanding of frontotemporal degeneration (FTD), which comprises: behavioral variant FTD, primary progressive aphasia, progressive supranuclear palsy, corticobasal syndrome and FTD-ALS. AFTD Pilot Grants are designed to seed original projects, with the goal of generating preliminary data toward a larger grant application to the National Institutes of Health (NIH) or other public or private agencies concerned with this important medical and social problem.

Application Format:

- 1. Cover Page -attached, must include institutional signature with grant submission.
- 2. 200-300 word abstract of the research plan, written in *lay language*.
- 3. Research plan, maximum of 2 single-spaced pages, including: Specific Aim(s), Background, Research Design and Methods.
- 4. Preliminary (unpublished) Data a separate, single page is allowed.
- 5. Research plan bibliography (one page).
- 6. Budget page itemized, direct costs only.
- 7. Biosketch for the PI and co-PI –please use an abbreviated NIH biographical sketch format (2 pages for each PI).
- 8. List of other current and pending research support with a brief description of potentially overlapping funded projects (one page).
- 9. Human Subjects statement (if applicable, IRB approval may be pending).
- 10. Vertebrate Animals Use statement (if applicable, protocol approval may be pending).
- 11. Certification of Patient Oriented Research (if applicable).

Budget page details:

- a. PI salary may represent no more than 5-10% of total budget.
- b. No indirect costs or institutional overhead.
- c. Maximum for durable equipment: \$5,000.
- d. Maximum for publication costs: \$300.
- e. Maximum travel for one investigator to participate in International FTD meeting held once every 2 years: \$1000.

Review Process: The deadline for applications is Friday, July 31, 2015. Applications must be submitted electronically as a single PDF to: <u>grants@theaftd.org</u>. Applications will be reviewed confidentially by AFTD and an external Scientific Review Panel, including members of AFTD's Medical Advisory Council.

Contact Information: To discuss scientific or financial aspects of proposals, please contact:

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¹ The AFTD Board, upon recommendation from the Review Panel, reserves the right to make final award determinations.



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AFTD 2015 PILOT GRANT APPLICATION - COVER PAGE

PROJECT TITLE:

PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR INFORMATION

NAME: TITLE: DEPARTMENT:

PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR ADDRESS

INSTITUTION: DEPARTMENT: STREET ADDRESS: CITY: COUNTRY:

STATE OR PROVINCE: ZIP CODE:

TELEPHONE:

EMAIL:

POTENTIAL AWARD INFORMATION:

PAYABLE TO INSTITUTION: DEPARTMENT: STREET: CITY: COUNTRY:

STATE OR PROVINCE: ZIP CODE:

CONTACT NAME: PHONE:

EMAIL:

INSTITUTIONAL CERTIFICATION AND ACCEPTANCE

I certify to the best of my knowledge that the statements contained within are complete and accurate and accept, on behalf of the institution, the obligation to comply with the terms of this grant award from AFTD. I further certify that I am authorized by the institution to make representations and accepted the obligation referred to herein, on its behalf.

NAME: TITLE: INSTITUTION NAME: ADDRESS: TELEPHONE: EMAIL:

Official signing for applicant institution

Date: