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W.M. Keck Foundation	Science	Research Program	8/15/2021	\$500,000	\$5,000,000	Up to 5-year grant period; Pre-application only; Phase one application due 11/1/2021	The program awards grants for projects that are focused on important and emerging areas of medical, engineering, or scientific research, including those that have the potential to develop a breakthrough technology, instrumentation, or methodology; are innovative, distinctive, and interdisciplinary; demonstrate a high level of risk due to an unconventional approach or by challenging a prevailing paradigm; and have the potential for transformative impact. The program aims to fund high-risk/high-impact work that lays the groundwork for new paradigms, technologies, and discoveries that save lives and add to our collective understanding of the world. Must coordinate with Foundation Relations.	Online Application	http://www.wmkeck.org/grant-programs/research
Sociological Initiatives Foundation	Social Science	Community-Based Participatory Research Projects	8/16/2021	\$10,000	\$20,000	LOI only; Full proposal invited in Fall 2021; up to 2-year grant	The Sociological Initiatives Foundation (SIF) invites concept proposals for community-led projects that link an explicit research design to a concrete social action strategy. Projects should have specifically stated social change goals. The Foundation will continue to give priority to projects that explicitly promote racial justice and fairer and more equitable laws, policies and practices, and expects applicants from academic institutions to apply with a community partner.	Online Application	http://www.sifoundation.org/call-for-concept-applications-2015/
Searle Freedom Trust	Political Science	Domestic Public Policy Research Grants	8/19/2021	\$100,000	\$300,000	Applicant missing the August deadline will be added to the December submissions to the Board of Directors	The Foundation invests primarily in scholarship that results in the publication of books, journal articles, and policy papers. Areas of interest include K-12 education, tax and budget policy, cost-benefit analysis of regulatory practices and proposals, the workings of the legal system, environmental policy, and social welfare reform.	Online Application	https://searlefreedomtrust.org/application-guidelines/
John Templeton Foundation	Various	Small and Large Grants	8/20/2021	\$100,000	\$1,000,000	LOI only, with full proposal upon invite	Supports the exploration of the nature of religious belief and practice; basic scientific research that could shape how we think about human existence; theological and philosophical reflection on the fruits of scientific discovery; and whether certain virtues such as gratitude, curiosity, and humility contribute to human flourishing. Across these thematic priorities, funding will go to research that aims to produce novel discoveries; public engagement that promotes dissemination of these insights; and programs that investigate intellectual humility and encourage its practice by fostering curiosity, open-mindedness, and civil dialogue. Must coordinate with Foundation Relations.	Online Application	https://www.templeton.org/grants/apply-for-grant
Raymond Corporation	Science	University Research Program	8/27/2021	\$500,000	\$2,000,000	1-year grant with the option to renew for 3 years; optional concept paper only with full proposal due 11/5/2021	The Raymond Corporation, a Toyota Industries Company, is making research funding available in the fields of material handling through its University Research Program. Raymond is seeking proposals for academic research that drives new technology or innovative approaches to the material handling industry, with a specific focus on the future of logistics, improving materials handling, and truck and operation evolution. Must coordinate with Corporate Relations.	Online Application	https://www.universityresearchprogram.com/assets/2021-urp-overview-downloads-022621.pdf

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Merck KGaA	Science	2021 Research Grants	8/31/2021	\$40,000	\$1,000,000	Grant period of up to 3 years depending on thematic focus	Supports comprehensive research around drug discovery, real time testing and sensors, nanoparticle for nucleic acid delivery, digital Innovation, bioelectronics, sustainability, media recycling for cultured meat, and organoids.	Online Application	https://www.emdgroup.com/en/research/open-innovation/2021-research-grants.html
Elsa U. Pardee Foundation	Health	Research Grants	8/31/2021	\$100,000	\$300,000	1-year grant period	The Elsa U. Pardee Foundation funds research directed toward identifying new treatments or cures for cancer. The Foundation funds projects which will allow establishment of capabilities of new cancer researchers, or new cancer approaches by established cancer researchers. It is anticipated that this early stage funding by the Foundation may lead to subsequent and expanded support using government agency funding. Project relevance to cancer detection, treatment, or cure should be clearly identified. Must coordinate with Foundation Relations.	Online Application	https://pardeefoundation.org/how-to-apply/
Samsung Advanced Institute of Technology	Science	Global Collaboration Grants	8/31/2021		\$150,000	1-year grant with a chance to renew for up to 3 years	Samsung is actively engaged in the pursuit of open innovation in order to foster the discovery of new ideas and technological breakthroughs. Research themes for this year's RFA are: novel analog devices for energy efficient computing, 3D monolithic integration, bio-inspired vision and imaging technologies, machine intelligence, neural scene representation, technology for semiconductor manufacturing, technology for semiconductor equipment, 6G communications and sensing, organic photodiode with triplet state, and CO2 capturing and utilization. Must coordinate with Corporate Relations.	Online Application	https://www.sait.samsung.co.kr/saithome/about/colabo_overview.do
Burroughs Wellcome Fund	Health	Career Awards at the Scientific Interface	9/1/2021		\$500,000	LOI only, with full proposal due 1/7/2022; 5-year grant period	Recognizing the vital role cross-trained scientists will play in furthering biomedical science, the Burroughs Wellcome Fund developed the Career Awards at the Scientific Interface. These grants are intended to foster the early career development of researchers who are dedicated to pursuing a career in academic research. The specific target group are researchers who have transitioned from graduate work in the physical/mathematical/computational sciences or engineering into postdoctoral work in the biological sciences.	Online Application	https://www.bwfund.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/10/BWF_CASI_RFP_22.pdf
Concern Foundation	Health	Conquer Cancer Grants	9/8/2021	\$60,000	\$120,000	LOI only, with full proposal due 2/1/2022; up to 2-year grant period	Grants seed money for research in the areas of cancer genetics, cancer biology, and cancer immunology.	Online Application	https://www.concernfoundation.org/apply-for-a-grant

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William T. Grant Foundation	Social Science	Institutional Challenge Grant	9/14/2021		\$650,000	3-year grant	The award supports research institutions in building sustained research-practice partnerships with public agencies or nonprofit organizations in order to reduce inequality in youth outcomes. This opportunity will fund two full-time fellowship placements with public or non-profit partners for up to 2 years, as well as 9 months of support for pre-planning activities, and up to 3-years of funding for the partnership to conduct and use research to improve outcomes for youth ages 5 to 25. Must coordinate with Foundation Relations.	Online Application	http://wtgrantfoundation.org/library/uploads/2021/04/2021-Application-Guidelines-ICG.pdf
Eppley Foundation	Science	Research Grants	9/15/2021	\$10,000	\$25,000	LOI only with full proposal due 10/15/2021	The Foundation supports pure or applied science in chemistry, physics and biology. This is done by supporting the research and publication of novel projects that are unlikely to be funded by traditional sources such as the NIH or NSF. It is important to the Foundation that the work proposed be novel in its insights and unlikely to be underway elsewhere.	Email Application	https://fdnweb.org/eppley/#apply
Alfred P. Sloan Foundation	Science	2022 Sloan Research Fellowship	9/15/2021	\$75,000	\$150,000		Supports a two-year fellowships awarded yearly to early career researchers in recognition of distinguished performance and a unique potential to make substantial contributions to their field. In particular, this fellowship is for early-career academics in the fields of chemistry, computer science, Earth system science, economics, mathematics, neuroscience, physics, or a related fields. Must coordinate with Foundation Relations.	Online Application	https://sloan.org/fellowships/#tab-eligibility-requirements
Sony	Science	Faculty Innovation Awards	9/15/2021		\$100,000		The Sony Faculty Innovation Award provides funds to conduct pioneering research related to information technology. Sony's primary focus is on machine learning, human interaction, robotics, audio and language processing, communication, computer vision, rf sensing, security, systems architecture, display systems, brain technology, and data sensing.	Online Application	https://www.sony.com/en/SonyInfo/research-award-program/#FacultyInnovationAward
Sony	Science	Focused Research Award	9/15/2021		\$150,000	1-year grant period with an option to renew	The Sony Focused Research Award provides an opportunity for university faculty and Sony to conduct this type of collaborative, focused research. Research must be focused in one of Sony's thematic research areas for this RFP. These are next-generation artificial intelligence, efficient distributed deep learning beyond data-parallelism and model-parallelism, novel actuators, liquid crystal alignment, novel technology for NIR-MIR VCSELs, development of air-based/evolutionary algorithms for computational discovery of novel materials, spatial-omics, intelligent sensing of patient-reported outcomes, AI image processing, and digital human creation through AI.	Online Application	https://www.sony.com/en/SonyInfo/research-award-program/#FocusedResearchAward

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American Philosophical Society	Health	Daland Fellowships in Clinical Investigation	9/15/2021		\$80,000	2-year fellowship; must be nominated by department chairman	The APS awards a limited number of Daland Fellowships in Clinical Investigation for research in the several branches of clinical medicine, including internal medicine, neurology, pediatrics, psychiatry, and surgery. The committee emphasizes patient-oriented research.	Mailed Application	https://www.amphilsoc.org/grants/daland-fellowships-clinical-investigation
Spencer Foundation	Education	Research-Practice Partnership (RPP) Grants Program	11/10/2021		\$400,000	Intent to Apply only, with full submission 12/8/2021; up to 3-year grant period	The Research-Practice Partnership (RPP) Grants Program is intended to support education research projects that engage in collaborative and participatory partnerships. partners can be among school districts, county offices of education, state educational organizations, universities, community-based organizations, out-of-school-time providers, informal educators, and other social sectors that significantly impact learners' lives. As such, the Foundation is open to applications from design-based research teams, networked improvement communities, placed-based research alliances, and other partnership arrangements. Must coordinate with Foundation Relations.	Online Application	https://www.spencer.org/grant_types/research-practice-partnerships
Transformational Partnership Fund	Higher Ed	Higher Ed Partnership and Collaboration Grants	Rolling		\$100,000		Catalytic grants (up to \$100,000 per exploration) will be available to help schools engage technical assistance providers knowledgeable in law, finance, governance, fundraising, human resources, and/or other related fields. TPF also will provide free access to relevant resources collected from its advisors, its network, and other third-parties.	Online Application	https://www.higheredpartnerships.org/challenge-opportunity/
Internet Society Foundation	Various	Future and Sustainability of the Internet	Rolling		\$200,000	2-year grant period	Supports research on the internet's environmental footprint or past or present ecosystems which yield insights into the future of the Internet and its dependent market(s).	Online Application	https://www.isocfoundation.org/grant-program/research-grant-program/
Robert Wood Johnson Foundation	Health	Exploring the Future to Build a Culture of Health	Rolling		\$300,000	The average Pioneer grant in 2019 was \$315,031. Proposals will be accepted throughout the year on a rolling admission.	Pioneering Ideas: Exploring the Future to Build a Culture of Health seeks proposals that are primed to influence health equity in the future. We are interested in ideas that address any of these four areas of focus: Future of Evidence; Future of Social Interaction; Future of Food; Future of Work. Additionally, we welcome ideas that might fall outside of these four focus areas, but which offer unique approaches to advancing health equity and our progress toward a Culture of Health. Must coordinate with Foundation Relations.	Online Application	https://www.rwjf.org/en/library/funding-opportunities/2020/pioneering-ideas-2020-exploring-the-future-to-build-a-culture-of-health.html?rid=003250000271F4VQAW&et_cid=2046258
Robert Wood Johnson Foundation	Health	Evidence for Action: Investigator-Initiated Research to Build a Culture of Health	Rolling	\$185,000	\$440,000	Grant period is up to 36 months.	Supports rigorous, high-impact, creative research projects to build and disseminate information for evidence-based approaches to building a Culture of Health. The program will also support efforts to assess outcomes and set priorities for action by encouraging and supporting creative, rigorous research on the impact of innovative programs, policies and partnerships on health and well-being, and on novel approaches to measuring health determinants and outcomes. Must coordinate with Foundation Relations.	Online Application	https://anr.rwjf.org/viewCfp.do?cfpid=1224&cfpOverviewId=
Thrasher Research Foundation	Health	E.W. Al Thrasher Award	Rolling	\$100,000	\$500,000	Awards grants two times per year, with no fixed number of awards given in each funding cycle or in each year.	Funds to improve children's health through medical research, with an emphasis on projects that have the potential to translate into clinically meaningful results within a few years. Open to applications that address a variety of significant pediatric problems. Both incidence and severity are considered when determining the significance of the proposed topic.	Email LOI	https://www.thrasherresearch.org/SitePages/al-thrasher-award.aspx

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Michael J. Fox Foundation for Parkinson's Research	Health	Rapid Response Innovation Awards	Rolling		\$75,000		Supports innovative, high-risk, high-reward projects tackling critical scientific and therapeutic roadblocks that, if successful, open new avenues for PD therapy development. The program is well suited to projects with little-to-no existing preliminary data, but where hypothetical rationale is highly compelling and study results can make the case for continuing (or discontinuing) a line of research. Applicants may submit on any PD-relevant area of basic, preclinical and/or clinical research with a clear, achievable one-year goal.	Online Application	https://www.michaeljfox.org/research/grant-detail.php?id=3
Wish You Well Foundation	Education	Grant Program	Rolling	\$200	\$10,000		Supporting family literacy in the United States by fostering and promoting the development and expansion of new and existing literacy and educational programs.	Online or Mail Application	http://www.wishyouwellfoundation.org/apply-for-funding/
The Nathan Cummings Foundation	Science	Climate Program	Rolling	\$3,000	\$950,000		Supports promising work that addresses climate change by increasing access to modern energy for the world's poor; stabilizing greenhouse gas concentrations in the atmosphere at a low level; and improving resilience for those most vulnerable to the negative consequences of climate variability and change.	Online Application	http://ncf.org/what-we-fund/our-focus/climate
The Commonwealth Fund	Health	Grant Program	Rolling		\$200,000	Strictly LOI submission. Proposals are invitation only. Award amount based on previous grants.	To promote a high performing healthcare system that achieves better access, improved quality, and greater efficiency, particularly for society's most vulnerable, including low-income people, the uninsured, minority Americans, young children, and elderly adults. Must coordinate with Foundation Relations.	Online Application	http://www.commonwealthfund.org/grants-and-fellowships/applicant-resources
Andrew W. Mellon Foundation	Arts	Monuments Project	Rolling for five years				The Monuments Project is a five-year, \$250 million commitment to reimagine and rebuild commemorative spaces and transform the way history is told in the United States. The project is one of Mellon's signature initiatives under its President, Elizabeth Alexander. Grants made under the Monuments Project will fall under the following areas of activity: fund new monuments, memorials, or historic storytelling spaces; contextualize existing monuments or memorials through installations, research, and education; and relocate existing monuments or memorials. This is a five-year program, but Foundation Relations encourages early submissions. Additionally, this is a centrally-coordinated foundation and interested parties need to work with Foundation Relations on submissions. Must coordinate with Foundation Relations.	Online application	https://mellon.org/topics/monuments/