

Beckman Institute call for proposals

Bridge funding proposals

The Beckman Institute for Advanced Science and Technology announces a call for proposals to provide bridge funding for Beckman Institute faculty members. This open call aims to capture the needs of Beckman's full and part-time researchers that are not covered by grants and provide funding to bridge the gap.

Funding requests should be between \$500 and \$7500, and funding must be used within a one-year period. Previous recipients are eligible to submit a proposal in subsequent calls; however, they will be given lower priority than those submitting proposals for the first time.

Funding can be used for publication fees (that exceed an award-budgeted amount), computer replacement, materials and supplies, equipment repair, travel, and student stipends. Funding cannot be used for faculty salaries. Activities and purchases must take place in or be in support of the Beckman Institute.

In return for Beckman Institute funding, award recipients are expected to fully support the mission and programs of the Beckman Institute. This includes submitting proposals for funding through the Beckman Institute; participating in engagement and partnership activities; and enhancing the Beckman Institute's seminar series through participation and speaker invitations.

Eligibility:

- Proposals may be submitted by faculty members who are part-time or full-time members of the Beckman Institute.

Proposal package requirements:

The proposal package includes the following documents:

1. Proposal itself as described below
2. Current and pending support for each faculty member

The proposal itself is a document of up to two pages in length and should include:

- Proposal title
- Names of all team members (faculty PI, other investigators, staff, etc.)
- Description of request and rationale for the need
- Itemized budget and justification

Proposals should be submitted via email to: director@beckman.illinois.edu.

Proposals will be evaluated monthly, on a rolling basis.

Any questions should be directed to the Beckman Associate Director for Administration Shawna Graddy at sgraddy@illinois.edu.

Evaluation criteria for selection will be: an assessment of necessity, an explanation of why no other funding sources are available to cover the request, and presentation of a credible plan for covering future related expenses. Proposals will be evaluated in accordance with our Beckman's Values ("EXCITED"): EXcellence, Collaboration, Integrity, Transdisciplinarity, Exploration, Diversity.

