
Aufzien Family Center for the Prevention and Treatment of Parkinson's Disease

Call for grant proposals 2021

The *Aufzien Family Center for the Prevention and Treatment of Parkinson's Disease (APPD)* is a venture of Tel Aviv University and brings together excellence in research among basic scientists (Tenure-track Faculty members at TAU from all faculties) and physicians and PhD researchers (TAU Faculty members from affiliated hospitals and HMOs*). The Research Fund will provide 3 research grants for the amount of \$100,000 (preliminary data required) and 4 seed money grants of \$25,000, supporting fundamental and translational research into the causes, mechanisms, diagnosis, treatment and prevention of **Parkinson's Disease**. Preference will be given to proposals that aim towards the development of disease-modifying interventions in Parkinson's Disease or synucleopathies.

The proposal should outline the vision, deliverables, and overall goals of the initiative, and the research priorities of its research themes. APPD's innovative grant program will support the exploration of novel and innovative ideas, with the potential for breakthrough science.

Length of duration of grant - 1 year, with ability to request extension to a second year based on performance in the first year.

***See rules on next page**

The budget will be maintained by the Research Authority at TAU. All grants that pass eligibility rules will be reviewed competitively by an *ad hoc* review committee.

Grant committee:

Prof. Nir Giladi, Prof. Karen Avraham (Co-Directors, APPD)

RULES FOR

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To encourage collaborations between TAU and the hospitals: TAU Faculty member from one of the TAU-affiliated hospitals or HMOs (MD or PhD, on clinical or regular track) are eligible to apply in collaboration with TAU Tenure-track Faculty members with laboratories on the TAU Ramat Aviv campus (Preclinical Faculty at the Sackler Faculty of Medicine; Faculty at other Faculties and Schools).

Each faculty member can only be part of **ONE** grant, whether as PI or collaborator.

Current APPD Grant awardees: Current APPD \$100,000 Grant awardees are not eligible to apply. APPD \$25,000 seed grant awardees are eligible to apply for another \$25,000 grant and for a \$100,000 award if there are sufficient preliminary results.

Current APPD Scholarship awardees – their PIs are eligible to apply for \$25,000 or \$100,000 grants.

Researchers from the **Neurological Institute at TASMC** are ineligible.

Collaborators may be from non-TAU institutions, but are not eligible to receive funding.

Note regarding IP: If TAU faculty and Hospital Clinical faculty are co-inventors of any results or inventions, the parties will negotiate in good faith and enter into an inter-institutional agreement relating to the protection, use and commercialization of such joint results or inventions.

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Application for \$100,000 research grant

Format for research grants proposal

1. Scientific background
2. Research aims
3. Methodology*
4. Budget justification
5. Preliminary data (required)

Include letter of endorsement from Dean/Head of School

Limit up to 5 pages (includes figures), font Arial or Times New Roman 11, 1.5 space. References can be beyond 5 pages.

Add CV of each applicant – NIH Biosketch or similar format

All applications, after passing the Grant Committee's initial evaluation for suitability, will be evaluated by external referees. The Grant Committee reserves the right to reject applications if they do not meet the criteria. Projects will be reviewed annually to ensure that the objectives of the research program are being met.

*For **clinical** research, please submit the Helsinki authorization or statement that the request is in progress. For research involving **animals**, please submit IACUC authorization or statement that the request is in progress. If funding for **both non-clinical and clinical research**, please separate each type of research in different sections.

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Application for \$25,000 seed grant

Format for seed money grant proposal

1. Scientific background
2. Research aims
3. Methodology
4. Budget details and justification

Include letter of endorsement from Dean/Head of School

Limit up to 3 pages (includes figures), font Arial or Times New Roman 11, 1.5 space. References can be beyond 3 pages.

Add CV of each applicant – NIH Biosketch or similar format

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