

Osher Pilot Research Grants, 2020 Guidelines for Full Application Submission

Please find below the specific guidelines and instructions for submitting a full proposal.

Deadline

- Applications are due on July 1, 2020 by Midnight US Central Time.
- Please submit all required application through [NITRO Competitions](#).

Review criteria

The mission of the Osher Center for Integrative Medicine is to provide leadership in integrative medicine that fosters inclusive whole-person healthcare via innovative and impactful research, education and advocacy. Therefore, Pilot Projects will be evaluated primarily for their potential to advance the mission of the Osher Center through collaborative, cross-disciplinary innovative research.

- Projects must be scientifically meritorious and aligned with one of the Osher Center research focus areas: <https://www.feinberg.northwestern.edu/sites/ocim/research/areas-of-research.html>
- Projects should not be merely an extension of ongoing work but rather novel ideas/programs which require seed funding.
- Projects that clearly lead to external (e.g., NIH, NSF) funding will be prioritized.

Full Application Required Documents

FORMAT (Templates available on NITRO Competitions):

1. **Cover letter** (1 page) – please address how your proposed project meets the review criteria and addresses the mission and research interests/strategic themes of the Osher Center for Integrative Medicine.
2. **Title page** (1 page), including:
 - a. Title of research project to be supported
 - b. Applicant's Name, Department and Division, Hospital and FSM professional appointments, office or laboratory address, telephone and fax numbers, and e-mail address.
3. **Scientific Proposal** (5-page limit, excluding references), including:

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- a. Background/Significance (include preliminary data if relevant)
 - b. Specific Aims
 - c. Innovation
 - d. Research approach (include clear study design, experimental details, timeline, contributions of each team member).
4. **Biosketch(es)** of Principal Investigator, co-investigators and significant key personnel in NIH format (<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/funding/phs398/biosketch.pdf>).
5. **Detailed budget and Budget Justification**
Note: The Osher Center generally considers projects with a one year budget of up to \$25,000. No indirect costs will be covered by this grant.