



REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS  
2018 RESEARCH PROGRAM

**AWARD DETAILS**

MOD invites all qualified scientists with faculty appointments or the equivalent, at universities, hospitals and research institutions (not for profit or profit), to submit applications for research grants relevant to our mission: **The mission of the March of Dimes is to improve the health of babies by preventing birth defects, premature birth and infant mortality.** This encompasses basic biological processes governing differentiation and development involving both human and animal model systems, genetics and genomics of these processes, clinical studies, reproductive health and environmental toxicology. Social and behavioral studies are encouraged concerning cognitive and behavioral risks that affect outcomes of pregnancy, the perinatal period, and subsequent child development. The latter may involve family units and those genes, toxicants and social determinants that adversely affect language or behavior.

To view a list of currently funded research grants, please go to: [Research Grant List](#).

**KEY DATES**

January 2017.....	Application portal opened
April 28, 2017.....	Letter of Intent due
July 2017.....	Invitation to submit application
September 15, 2017.....	Full application due
April 2018.....	Review and Notification
June 1, 2018.....	Award start date
May 31, 2021.....	Award end date

## SUBMISSION PROCESS

The entire process must be completed online at <http://modresearchgrants.egrant.net>.

### THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION IS REQUIRED FROM THE APPLICANT:

- Letter of Intent for the proposed research (template provided), which includes the following information in this order:
  1. Title of proposal.
  2. Hypothesis.
  3. Preliminary data.
  4. Précis of specific aims and methods of procedure.
  5. Current financial support: list each current grant or contract for the conduct of this research. If there is no current support, state "NONE."  
Items 1-5 may not exceed 3 pages.
  6. If the applicant is already a recipient of a current MOD research grant or a Basil O'Connor Starter Scholar Research Award, include a summary of progress.  
Item 6 may not exceed 1 page
- Candidate's biographical sketch

### Note to returning applicants:

If the applicant previously submitted a full proposal that was reviewed but not funded, a response to the critique is not necessary in the LOI. However, relevant remarks may be included, but must be incorporated within the 3 pages.

## QUESTIONS

Please direct any questions to [researchgrantssupport@marchofdimes.org](mailto:researchgrantssupport@marchofdimes.org)